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Crossway Multinational Church!

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for, of and by
the peoples of many nations

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# Life Groups

## The 4 strands of a Life Group

- Community: get to know and care for each other
- Scripture: studying God's Word together
- Culture: growing in intercultural awareness and ability
- Serving beyond ourselves

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# Starting a new women's group

• Contact Jean Eddy jeddy57@gmail.com

# Other options available

• Contact Pastor John johnbell@crosswaymchurch.org

# Serving Beyond Ourselves

## **Love Clothing Center**

- At Judson Memorial Church
- Periodic volunteering to help with clothing distribution
- Contact John Tilden tildenjjr@gmail.com

# Donating for small household items

- At Mount Hope United Methodist Church
- Receiving donations and funds to give small household items to those in need (see the bulletin)

# **Special Offering for Myanmar Church**

• More later in the service

## GREETINGS

Take a moment to turn on video and "look around"

• Feel free to use the chat function to greet others too

Waving poll: Give a big wave if...

- You are going to watch the Super Bowl
- You are going to watch advertisements that are periodically interrupted by "sport"
- You think, "the super WHAT???"
- You are dreaming of life in a warmer climate
- You thank God for the His Spirit among His people

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# **GREETINGS**

## Pastor Mark & Amy Burks

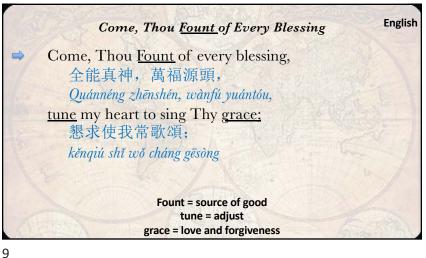
Our Redeemer Evangelical Free Church Midland, MI

Eastern Michigan Area Superintendent Evangelical Free Church of America My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.

Psalm 145:21

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streams of mercy, never ceasing, 恩澤無窮,不息湧流, Ēnzé wúgióng, bù xī yŏngliú, call for songs of loudest praise. 應當頌讚主恩寵; yīngdāng sòng zàn zhǔ ēnchŏng streams = continuous flow call for = make necessary

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Teach me some melodious sonnet, 願主教我,優美音樂, yuànzhǔjiào wǒ, yōuměi yīnyuè, sung by flaming tongues above; 天使天軍常誦唱: tiānshǐ tiān jūn cháng sòng chàng; melodious sonnet = beautiful song flaming tongues = the voices of angels Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, 讚美我主,救恩穩妥, zànměi wǒ zhǔ, jiù ēn wěntuǒ, mount of Thy redeeming love. 永遠堅定愛深長。 yŏngyuăn jiāndìng ài shēncháng. mount = Mount Zion, a sign of God's love fixed = staying forever



And I hope, by Thy good pleasure 尚望恩主,一生導引, shàng wàng ēn zhǔ, yīshēng dǎo yǐn, safely to arrive at home. 安抵天家蒙福蔭; ān dǐ tiān jiā méng fú yīn;

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Jesus sought me when a stranger,
我本失喪,遠離父家,
wǒ běn shī sàng, yuǎnlí fù jiā,
wandering from the fold of God;
耶穌親自來引路;
yēsū qīnzì lái yǐnlù;

sought = searched for
fold of God = within God's protection

He, to rescue me from danger,
恩主救我,免於危險,
ēn zhǔ jiù wǒ, miǎn yú wéixiǎn,
interposed His precious blood.
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His precious blood = Jesus' death on the cross

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Oh, to grace how great a debtor
浩大恩典,每日加添,
Hàodà ēndiǎn, měi nì jiā tiān,
daily I'm constrained to be!
主恩難報永虧欠;
zhǔ ēn nán bào yŏng kuīqiàn;

grace = God's great love and forgiveness
debtor = one who owes
constrained = forced (because I daily do wrong)

Let Thy goodness, like a fetter.

願主思惠,如鏈相牽,
yuàn zhǔ ēnhuì, rú liàn xiāng qiān,
bind my wandering heart to Thee:
繫我心與主相連;
xì wǒ xīn yǔ zhǔ xiānglián;

fetter = chain, restraint
bind = fasten

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Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
主我深知,內心軟弱,
zhǔ wǒ shēn zhī, nèixīn ruǎnruò,
prone to leave the God I love:
總是偏行走己路;
zǒng shì piān xíngzǒu jǐ lù;

Prone = likely to

Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it,
獻我身心,求加烙印,
xiàn wǒ shēnxīn, qiú jiā làoyìn,
seal it for Thy courts above.
與主同在蒙祝福。
yǔ zhǔ tóng zài méng zhùfú.

seal it = fasten it securely courts above = heaven

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I will exalt you, my God the King;
I will praise your name for ever and ever.
Every day I will praise you
and extol your name for ever and ever.

exalt = praise, speak highly of
extol = praise enthusiastically

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Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.

One generation commends your works to another;
they tell of your mighty acts.

They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—
and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

They tell of the power of your awesome works—
and I will proclaim your great deeds.

They celebrate your abundant goodness
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

fathom = fully understand
splendor = splendid appearance, grandeur

The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.

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All your works praise you, Lord;
your faithful people extol you.

They tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,
so that all people may know of your mighty acts
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures through all generations.

extol = praise enthusiastically
splendor = splendid appearance, grandeur
dominion = God's authority

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Creation Sings the Father's Song

Creation sings the Father's song;

He calls the sun to wake the dawn and run the course of day till evening falls in crimson rays.

Father's song = praise to God wake the dawn = cause the sunrise run the course = sun's movement across the sky crimson rays = deep red of sunset

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His fingerprints in flakes of snow,

His breath upon this spinning globe,

He charts the eagle's flight;

commands the newborn baby's cry.

Charts = determines

commands the newborn baby's cry = gives life to babies

Hallelujah!

Let all creation stand and sing,

"Hallelujah!"

Fill the earth with songs of worship;

tell the wonders of creation's King.

Hallelujah! = Praise God!

Creation gazed upon His face;

the ageless One in time's embrace
unveiled the Father's plan
of reconciling God and man.

Creation gazed = angels and people amazed at Jesus' birth
ageless One in time's embrace = God became man as Jesus
unveiled = revealed
reconciling = restoring friendship

A second Adam walked the earth,
whose blameless life would break the curse,
whose death would set us free
to live with Him eternally.

second Adam = Jesus Christ
break the curse = rescue from judgment and death

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Creation longs for His return,
when Christ shall reign upon the earth;
the bitter wars that rage
are birth pains of a coming age.

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longs for = strong desire for
reign = rule over
rage = be uncontrollably violent
birth pains = difficult time before the joy of birth

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When He renews the land and sky,
all heav'n will sing and earth reply
with one resplendent theme:
the glories of our God and King!

resplendent = shining brilliantly, attractive

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Oh, the Depth and the Height

Oh, the depth and the height of the riches of God, all the wisdom, love, power, and the treasures to own,

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all are found in the King, who once laid down his crown, giving his life for ours to save us.

treasures to own = goodness that can be ours laid down his crown = gave up his rights and honor

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All my fountains are found in the heart of my God, from the river that flowed when the Lamb shed his blood.

He can wash every sin that has tarnished my soul, robe me in righteousness forever.

fountains = sources of good river that flowed = abundant blessing Lamb = Jesus Christ shed his blood = died on the cross tarnished = made less valuable robe me = clothe me All the treasures of earth could not outshine this Son, for his kingdom is glorious.

He is all that I need in this life and beyond, and his kingdom is glorious.

outshine = be better or longer lasting Son = Jesus Christ

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One day heaven and earth will resound with his praise, with archangels and men, falling down on their knees.

For the King of all heaven, who has won victory, comes in glory and power forever.

resound = be filled with archangels = highest ranking angels

When I stand on that day, in that glorious place, there beholding his glory, beholding his face.

All the suffering and pain in this life will have ceased, in the presence of Christ my Savior.

that day = when Jesus Christ visibly rules over all that glorious place = in God's presence beholding = see clearly

All the treasures of earth could not outshine this Son, for his kingdom is glorious. He is all that I need in this life and beyond, and his kingdom is glorious. outshine = be better or longer lasting

His kingdom lasts forever, His kingdom knows no measure. His kingdom lasts forever, His kingdom is glorious. knows no measure = so big it cannot be measured

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Spanish Santo, Santo, Santo, mi Corazón ¡Santo, santo, santo Holy, holy, holy, mi corazón te adora! my heart, my heart adores you! Mi corazón te sabe decir My heart pours out my praise to you; ¡Santo eres Señor! You are holy, Lord!

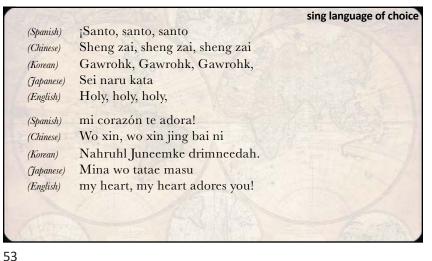
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my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart pours out my praise to you;
You are holy, Lord!

型哉、聖哉、聖哉 Holy, holy, holy
Sheng zai, sheng zai
我心、我心 敬拝你 my heart, my heart adores you!
Wo xin, wo xin jing bai ni
我心 喜楽地来歌颂 My heart pours out my praise to you;
Wo xin xi le de lai ge song
你是聖潔神 You are holy, Lord!
Ni shi sheng jie shen

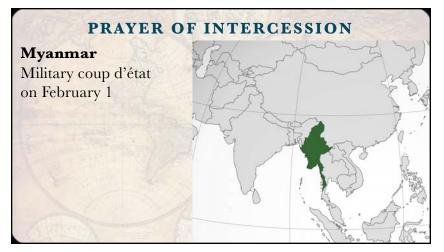
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저룩, 거룩, 거룩 Holy, holy, holy
Gawrohk, Gawrohk,
나를 주님께 드립니다 my heart, my heart adores you!
Nahruhl Juneemke drimneedah.
내가 주님 찬양합니다 My heart pours out my praise to you;
Nayga Juneem chan yahng hopneedah,
거룩 하신, 주님 You are holy, Lord!
Gawrohk hashin, Juneem.

型なる方
Sei naru kata
御名をたたえます my heart, my heart adores you!
Mina wo tatae masu
賛美を捧げます My heart pours out my praise to you;
Sanbi wo sasage masu
聖なる主よ You are holy, Lord!
Sei naru Shu yo



Mi corazón te sabe decir (Spanish) Wo xin xi le de lai ge song (Chinese) Nayga Juneem chan yahng hopneedah, (Korean) Sanbi wo sasage masu (Japanese) My heart pours out my praise to you; (English) ¡Santo eres Señor! (Spanish) Ni shi sheng jie shen (Chinese) Gawrohk hashin, Juneem. (Korean) Sei naru Shu yo (Japanese) You are holy, Lord! (English) **Traditional Spanish Song** Public Domain #3567023 Crossway Multinational Church, CCLI #11163377



# **Human Stories**

# •Beginning

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· Often we see a hint of where the trouble will be (warning)

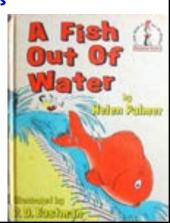
## •Middle

• The crisis: well-deserved trouble

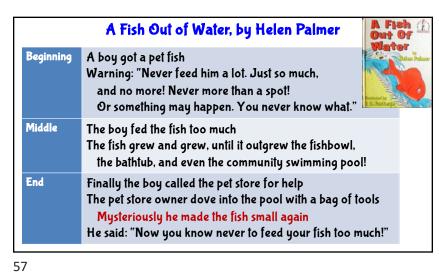
#### •End

• The crisis is resolved

• The lesson is learned



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	The Story of the People of Israel	
Beginning	God called the people of Israel to be His people Warning: "If you do not obey the Lord your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come on you and overtake you You will plant a vineyard, but you will not even begin to enjoy its fruit A people that you do not know will eat what your land and labor produce." Deuleronomy 28:15, 30, 33	
Middle	They disobeyed God called Assyria and Babylon to conquer Israel and take them into exile and consume their harvests	
End	?	

The Ongoing Story of God's People in Jesus	
Beginning	The call: "Follow me!" The warning: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me." <i>Luke 9:23</i> "And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple." <i>Luke 14:27</i>
Middle	You, and I, and we all fail to follow even for those with the Spirit of God living within us!! The crisis
End	?



#### Isaiah 62:1-3

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her vindication shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch.

The nations will see your vindication, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow. You will be a crown of splendor in the Lord's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

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Zion, Jerusalem = places that represent God's people vindication = righteousness (status and character) royal diadem = symbol of honor and power

#### Isaiah 62:4-5

No longer will they call you Deserted,
or name your land Desolate.
But you will be called Hephzibah [my delight is in her],
and your land Beulah [married];
for the Lord will take delight in you,
and your land will be married.
As a young man marries a young woman,
so will your Builder marry you;
as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride,
so will your God rejoice over you.

#### Isaiah 62:6-7

I have posted watchmen on your walls, Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night.

You who call on the Lord,
give yourselves no rest,
and give him no rest
till he establishes Jerusalem
and makes her the praise of the earth.

#### Isaiah 62:8-9

The Lord has sworn by his right hand
and by his mighty arm:
"Never again will I give your grain
as food for your enemies,
and never again will foreigners drink the new wine
for which you have toiled;
but those who harvest it will eat it
and praise the Lord,
and those who gather the grapes will drink it
in the courts of my sanctuary."

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#### Isaiah 62:10

Pass through,
pass through the gates!
Prepare the way for the people.
Build up,
build up the highway!
Remove the stones.
Raise a banner for the nations.

#### Isaiah 62:11-12

The Lord has made <u>proclamation</u> to the ends of the earth:
"Say to Daughter Zion,
"See, your Savior comes!
See, his reward is with him,
and his <u>recompense</u> accompanies him.""
They will be called the Holy People,
the Redeemed of the Lord;
and you will be called Sought After,
the City No Longer Deserted.

proclamation = announcement that brings fulfillment recompense = perhaps people he has rescued

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- "I will not keep silent": perhaps Jesus' ministry of intercession for His people
  - We are invited into that ministry
- Vindication/righteousness: status and character
  - Both from God, and both really become ours
- A new name=a pledge by God to make it true
  - The "effectual voice" of God: what He declares becomes true by Him saying it
- 6-9: "My delight is in You" and "Married"

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• Symbol of blessed life: head, heart, hands

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# 6-9: God and people worked toward His promised blessing

- Watchmen: prophets, or angels, or God's people
  - Persevering prayer
    - "give him no rest": crying out for God's ongoing work
  - Persevering **proclamation** 
    - "give yourselves no rest": join in God's ongoing work
- God vows to bring blessing to His people
- God's people pursue what God has vowed to bring
- God's blessings lead to praise
  - Knowing that the blessings we enjoy come from God's love doubles the enJOYment

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## 10-12: All people are called to become God's delight

- Emphatic call to enter God's blessing
  - For God's people
  - For the peoples of all nations to join God's people
- The names for "the people" and "the peoples"
  - Holy People
    - "A kingdom of priests and a holy nation" Exodus 19:6
  - Redeemed / rescued
  - Sought after (like the Good Shepherd and lost lamb)
  - No longer deserted (delight)
  - A people loved by God's transforming love

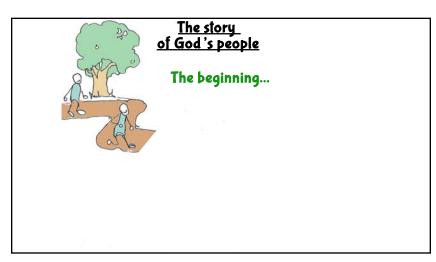
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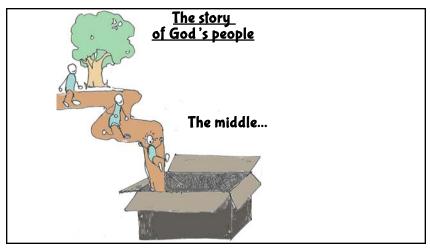
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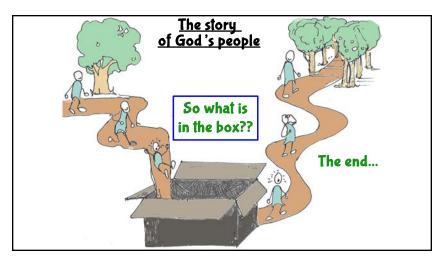
The Big Idea

# God's love rescues, transforms, and delights in the people who are His in Christ

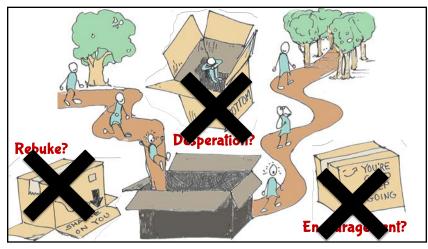


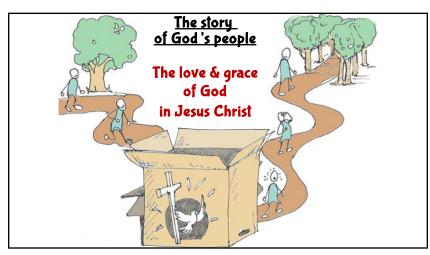
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God's love

makes the objects of His love

worthy of His love

God's love

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But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters loved by the Lord, because God chose you as firstfruits to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. He called you to this through our gospel, that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 2:13-14

Application

## Know that God delights in each person in Christ

- We were Deserted and Desolate
- We were judged and worthy of judgment
- We have a Savior: Jesus Christ
  - This is a gift of God, received by faith in God the giver
  - The gift must be received
- Our new names:
  - Redeemed & Sought After
  - "My delight is in you"!
    - Like a bridegroom delights in his bride
    - A shocking description of God's feelings about broken people!

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## Application

Know that God delights in each person in Christ Rejoice in such great love!

- Sometimes we resist this love because "I don't deserve it"
  - Of course we don't deserve it!
    - That's what makes His love so glorious!
  - Resisting His love is responding in **self-centeredness**
- "My beloved is mine and I am his" Song of Solomon 2:16
- God says: "My delight is in you"
  - Our reply: "And my delight is in you"
  - When we delight in this love of God, it brings joy together with God!

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# Joyfully and passionately live into God's promised transformation

Application

- We pray and work because our prayer and our work are guaranteed to be fruitful
  - "Give yourselves no rest" and "Give Him no rest" until it is complete
- The effectual love of God calls us into the joyful journey of sharing His glory being like Him

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## Application

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### In the Church as well

- The Church, and our church, is not worthy of God's love
  - So we bring harm rather than good to the world
- Yet He delights in the bride of Christ (the Church)
  - Because of the love of Christ
- "Give yourselves no rest" and "Give Him no rest" until it is complete

## Application

Know that God delights in each person in Christ Rejoice in such great love! Joyfully and passionately live into God's promised transformation

## In the Church as well

- Joyfully and passionately, we desire to live into God's promised transformation
  - By the power of the Spirit and the love of God
  - God's love makes the objects of His love worthy of His love
- That we would be a blessing, not a curse, to all peoples!

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What is your story?		
Beginning	Created and loved by God He calls us to Himself	
Middle	We have each chosen to go our own way	
End	We have a choice:  → Live in denial: "I'm doing fine on my own"  → Try harder: "This time will be different!"  → Live in despair: "I have tried and tried"  → Accept and grow in the love of God in Christ	

What is the Church's story?		
Beginning	Jesus has formed the Church He calls the Church to be His presence on earth	
Middle	We so often fall so far short of God's glory!	
End	We have a choice:  → Live in denial: "This is just normal"  → Try harder: "This time will be different!"  → Live in despair: "We have tried and tried"  → Accept and grow in the love of God in Christ	

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The Big Idea

God's love rescues, transforms, and delights in the people who are His in Christ

If you have put your faith in Christ alone, God has given you a new name:

"My delight is in you!"

And we respond together:

"And our delight is in You!"

Prayer of Confession

"The most important commandment," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'

Mark 12:29-30

Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first. Consider how far you have fallen!

Repent and do the things you did at first. Revelation 2:4-5

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# Words of Assurance

The Lord says: "I have swept away your offenses like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist. Return to me, for I have redeemed you."

Isaiah 44:22

## Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us How high the mountain I could not climb In desperation I turned to heaven And spoke Your name into the night

> chasm = giant separation desperation = having lost almost all hope

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Then through the darkness Your loving kindness Tore through the shadows of my soul The work is finished, the end is written Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy? What heart could fathom such boundless grace? The God of ages stepped down from glory To wear my sin and bear my shame

> fathom = fully understand grace = forgiveness and love wear = take as His own bear = take responsibility for

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The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

spoken = declared my forgiveness

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!

Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!

You have broken every chain,
there's salvation in Your name

Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah = Praise the Lord!

grip = control over

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Declared the grave has no <u>claim on</u> me

sealed = fully accomplished

Roaring Lion = Jesus Christ in victory

claim on = control over

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Jesus Christ, my living hope
O God, You are my living hope

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# The Lord's Supper

A celebration for Christians

• All who genuinely trust in Christ for forgiveness and life

## First the bread

- reminder of the price Jesus paid to rescue us

# Then the "cup" (the juice)

reminder of the promise of Jesus' return
 and our full experience of His grace and love

Because of Jesus' death and resurrection, all who have put their trust in Jesus are the delight of God!

When Jesus returns, we will experience the delight of Christ for His bride and the joy of the Father for His beloved children We remember His death as the price fully paid

We remember His resurrection as His full victory

We proclaim this great love until we see Him face to face!

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For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

## There is a Higher Throne

There is a higher throne than all this world has known, where faithful ones from every tongue will one day come.

throne = supreme ruler every tongue = all peoples

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Before the Son we'll stand,
made faultless through the Lamb;
Believing hearts find promised grace;
salvation comes.

Son, Lamb = Jesus Christ

Hear heaven's voices sing;

their thunderous anthem rings
through emerald courts and sapphire skies
their praises rise.

thunderous anthem rings = loud, triumphant songs of praise
emerald = bright green

courts = where judge gives verdicts

sapphire = bright blue and highly valuable

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All glory, wisdom, power,
strength, thanks, and honor are
to God our King, Who reigns on high
forevermore.

And there we'll find our home; our life before the throne. We'll honor Him in perfect song where we belong.

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He'll wipe each tear-stained eye
as thirst and hunger die.
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King;
we'll reign with Him.

tear-stained eye = each person who has suffered die = no longer exist
Lamb = Jesus Christ in humility
Shepherd King = Jesus Christ in glory

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