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JUNE 28, 2020

Psalm

WORSHIP IN



REAL LIFE

A SPECIAL SERMON SERIES

welcome

our purpose

We are delighted that you joined us today! Our purpose is to glorify God by making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ. Our ministry vision is to love God with all that we are, and love others as much as we love ourselves.

As you worship with us today, you'll notice how often we reference the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We don't have it all figured out, but we know that God saves sinners through faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Please join us as we exalt God by singing about his greatness and as we seek to know more about him from the Bible.

the gospel

You will hear us talk about the gospel a lot. Actually it is the center of everything we do here at Highlands.

1. **God** - the only all-knowing, all-powerful King and Creator of all things. He created us to enjoy and glorify him forever. [Psalm 19:1-2; Romans 1:18-32]
2. **Sin** - Yet, we rejected God, and established ourselves as gods of our lives, separating ourselves from Him, and becoming objects of His wrath. In so doing we also unleashed sin, sickness, death and evil. [Ephesians 2:1-3; Romans 5:12-14]
3. **Christ** - In God's unparalleled mercy and grace, He already had a plan to reconcile us to Himself. The entire Old Testament points to the coming of the Messiah - revealed in the New Testament as Jesus Christ. [John 1; Ephesians 2:4-7; Romans 3:21-26]
4. **Response** - None of this is effective for us unless we respond in two ways: repent/turn from our self control and sin [Mark 1:15], and believe in the gospel [John 3:16-18]. We are then given new life in Christ, forgiven, justified, adopted into God's family, and we persevere in the faith. [1 John 1:9; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Matthew 24:13; Ephesians 4:1]

calendar

- Need info? Trouble logging in? E-mail info@HighlandsBibleChurch.org
- Sundays 9:30am - Livestream Worship Service - Facebook live
- Mondays 7:00pm - Care Group - Main Sanctuary
- Wednesdays - Men's Bible Study - 7am via Zoom
- Thursdays - Sunday Preview and Prayer with Pastor Mike - FB/Instagram
- Fridays - Women's Ministry Minute - FB/Instagram

- Prayer Meeting - Sunday, July 5th, 6pm - Main Sanctuary
- Ben Brophy and Family - Assoc Pastor Candidate Weekend - July 17-19

finances

General Offering - May '20	\$23,876.85
Designated Gifts - May'20	\$1,251.50
YTD General Offering thru May '20	\$108,411.59
2020 Budget	\$322,562.00

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worship guide

June 28, 2020

Our passage today is from Psalm 30. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:

COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—”

[Ephesians 2:1-5 ESV]

CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Consider restoration - whether it be in a relationship from conflict or from a physical illness to strength. What makes it difficult?
- What about spiritual restoration? Do you tend to think about it often? Why or why not?
- Think about a sleepless night you have had, and how different things look in the morning. Why are they different?
- What are the differences between mercy and grace? How do each relate to the gospel?
- NEXT WEEK’S PASSAGE: Psalm 31

SING

The Wonderful Cross | Living Hope | O Lord My Rock and My Redeemer
| O Praise the Name | Hallelujah! What a Savior

sermon notes

June 28, 2020

PSALM 30

Dark Nights and Bright Mornings

1. Up From the Pit [30:1-3]

God restores.

2. Yes, Lord. Yes, Lord. Yes. [30:4-5]

God relieves.

3. Nah. I’m Good. [30:6-11; Ephesians 2:1-5]

God responds in mercy.

Big Idea: We are enabled to live for God’s glory by God’s grace.

The Wonderful Cross

Verse 1

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Verse 2

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Chorus 1

O the wonderful cross,
O the wonderful cross,
Bids me come and die and find
That I may truly live.

O the wonderful cross,
O the wonderful cross,
All who gather here by grace
Draw near and bless Your name.

Verse 3

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were an offering far too small.
Love so amazing so divine
Demands my soul my life my all!

Chorus 1

**O the wonderful cross,
O the wonderful cross,
Bids me come and die and find
That I may truly live.**

**O the wonderful cross,
O the wonderful cross,
All who gather here by grace
Draw near and bless Your name**

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Verse 1

**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**

**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**

Verse 2

**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**

**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**

Chorus 1

**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**

Verse 3

**Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion**

**Declared the grave has no claim on me
(REPEAT)
Jesus Yours is the victory**

Chorus 1

**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**

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**O Lord, My Rock and My
Redeemer**

VERSE 1

**O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
Greatest treasure of my longing soul
My God, like You there is no other
True delight is found in You alone**

**Your grace, a well too deep to fathom
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach
Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom
My highest good and my unending need**

VERSE 2

**O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
Strong defender of my weary heart
My sword to fight the cruel deceiver
And my shield against his hateful darts**

**My song when enemies surround me
My hope when tides of sorrow rise
My joy when trials are abounding
Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night**

VERSE 3

**O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
Gracious Savior of my ruined life
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders
In my place You suffered bled and died**

**You rose, the grave and death are conquered
You broke my bonds of sin and shame**

**You rose, the grave and death are conquered
You broke my bonds of sin and shame
O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
May all my days bring glory to Your Name
May all my days bring glory to Your Name**

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O Praise the Name

Verse 1

**I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree**

Verse 2

**His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone**

Chorus 1

**O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore**

**For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God**

Verse 3

**Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King**

Chorus 1

**O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore**

**For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God**

Verse 4

**He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face**

Chorus 1

**O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore**

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Hallelujah! What a Savior

Verse 1

**Man of sorrows what a name
For the Son of God who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim
Hallelujah! What a Savior**

Verse 2

**Bearing shame and scoffing rude
In my place condemned He stood
Sealed my pardon with His blood**

**Hallelujah! What a Savior
Hallelujah! What a Savior**

Chorus

**Hallelujah! Praise to the One
Whose blood has pardoned me
Oh what a Savior, Redeemer and King
Your love has rescued me**

Verse 3

**Lifted up was He to die
It is finished was His cry
Now in heaven exalted high
Hallelujah! What a Savior**

Verse 4

**When He comes our glorious King
All his ransomed home to bring
Then anew this song we'll sing**

**Hallelujah! What a Savior
Hallelujah! What a Savior**

Chorus

**Hallelujah! Praise to the One
Whose blood has pardoned me
Oh what a Savior, Redeemer and King
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**Hallelujah! Praise to the One
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