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SEPTEMBER 13, 2020



JOSHUA
Fighting to Believe God's Promise

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

- See the Events Page on our website or app for more info!
- Memorial Service for Patricia Ryan - TODAY, 11am
- Monday Night Care Group - 7pm at church - Resuming TOMORROW!
- Men's Bible Study - 7am Wednesdays - Zoom
- MidWeek Study - Starting Wednesday, Sept 16th - Bible Overview
- Ladies Bible Study - Starting week of Sept 22nd
- Fall Work Day - Saturday, October 3rd - 8am-12pm
- Member Meeting - Sunday, October 4th, 6pm
- Next Steps New Members Class - Sunday, October 11th, 6pm

finances

General Offering - Aug '20	\$25,186.65
Designated Gifts - Aug '20	\$568.25
YTD General Offering thru Aug '20	\$174,234.90
2020 Budget	\$322,562.00

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worship guide

September 13, 2020

Our sermon passage today is from Joshua 13. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:

COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“But if you do not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then those of them whom you let remain shall be as barbs in your eyes and thorns in your sides, and they shall trouble you in the land where you dwell. And I will do to you as I thought to do to them.”

[Numbers 33:55-56 ESV]

CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Have you ever been deeply involved in a project/work/life stage that you weren't able to finish? How did that make you feel?
- In what areas are you tempted to act like you are in charge?
- In what areas are you not completely obeying God?
- Think about a sin that you needed to mortify. How did you do it? How is it now?
- What does it mean that God is our inheritance? What other verses can we point to, in order to help us understand?
- Look at 1 Peter 3:18, how is this a summary of the gospel? What other concepts can masquerade as the true gospel?
- NEXT WEEK'S PASSAGE: Joshua 14

SING

10,000 Reasons | Yet Not I But Christ Through Me | All I Have is Christ |
Before the Throne of God | His Mercy is More

sermon notes

September 13, 2020

JOSHUA 13

An Intro to Inheritance

1. Joshua's Retirement Announcement [13:1-6; Numbers 32]

We are not in charge.

2. Inheritance Summary, and The Issue [13:7-13; Numbers 33:55-56]

We are called to complete obedience.

3. Our Ultimate Inheritance [13:14-33; 1 Peter 3:18]

Big Idea: God provides our ultimate inheritance.

Chorus 1

**Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul
Worship His holy name**

Sing like never before

**O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name**

Verse 1

**The sun comes up
It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again**

**Whatever may pass and
Whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
When the evening comes**

Chorus 1

**Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul
Worship His holy name**

Sing like never before

**O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name**

Verse 2

**You're rich in love
And You're slow to anger
Your name is great
And Your heart is kind**

**For all Your goodness
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
For my heart to find**

Chorus 1

Bless the Lord O my soul

O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before

O my soul

I'll worship Your holy name

Verse 3

And on that day when

My strength is failing

The end draws near

And my time has come

Still my soul will sing

Your praise unending

Ten thousand years

And then forevermore

Chorus 1

Bless the Lord O my soul

O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before

O my soul

I'll worship Your holy name

Chorus 1

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Verse 1

**What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace**

**To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me**

Verse 2

**The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed**

**To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me**

Verse 3

**No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave**

**To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me**

Verse 4

**With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne**

**To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me**

Ending

**When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me
Yet not I but through Christ in me**

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Verse 1

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

Verse 2

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

Chorus 1

Hallelujah all I have is Christ
Hallelujah Jesus is my life

Verse 3

Now Lord I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
O Father use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

Chorus 1

Before the Throne of God

Verse 1

**Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart**

Verse 2

**When Satan tempts me to despair,
and tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there,
Who made an end of all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died,
my sinful soul is counted free
For God the just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me,
to look on Him and pardon me**

Verse 3

**Behold Him there the risen Lamb,
my perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am,
The king of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die,
my soul is purchased by his blood
My life hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God,
with Christ my Savior and My God**

VERSE 1

**What love could remember
no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing,
He counts not their sum.**

**Thrown into a sea
without bottom or shore,
Our sins they are many,
His mercy is more.**

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.**

VERSE 2

**What patience would wait
as we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender,
is calling us home?**

**He welcomes the weakest,
the vilest, the poor.
Our sins they are many,
His mercy is more.**

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.**

VERSE 3

**What riches of kindness
He lavished on us,
His blood was the payment,
His life was the cost.**

**We stood 'neath a debt
we could never afford,
Our sins they are many,
His mercy is more.**

CHORUS

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.**

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.**

**Our sins they are many,
His mercy is more**

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