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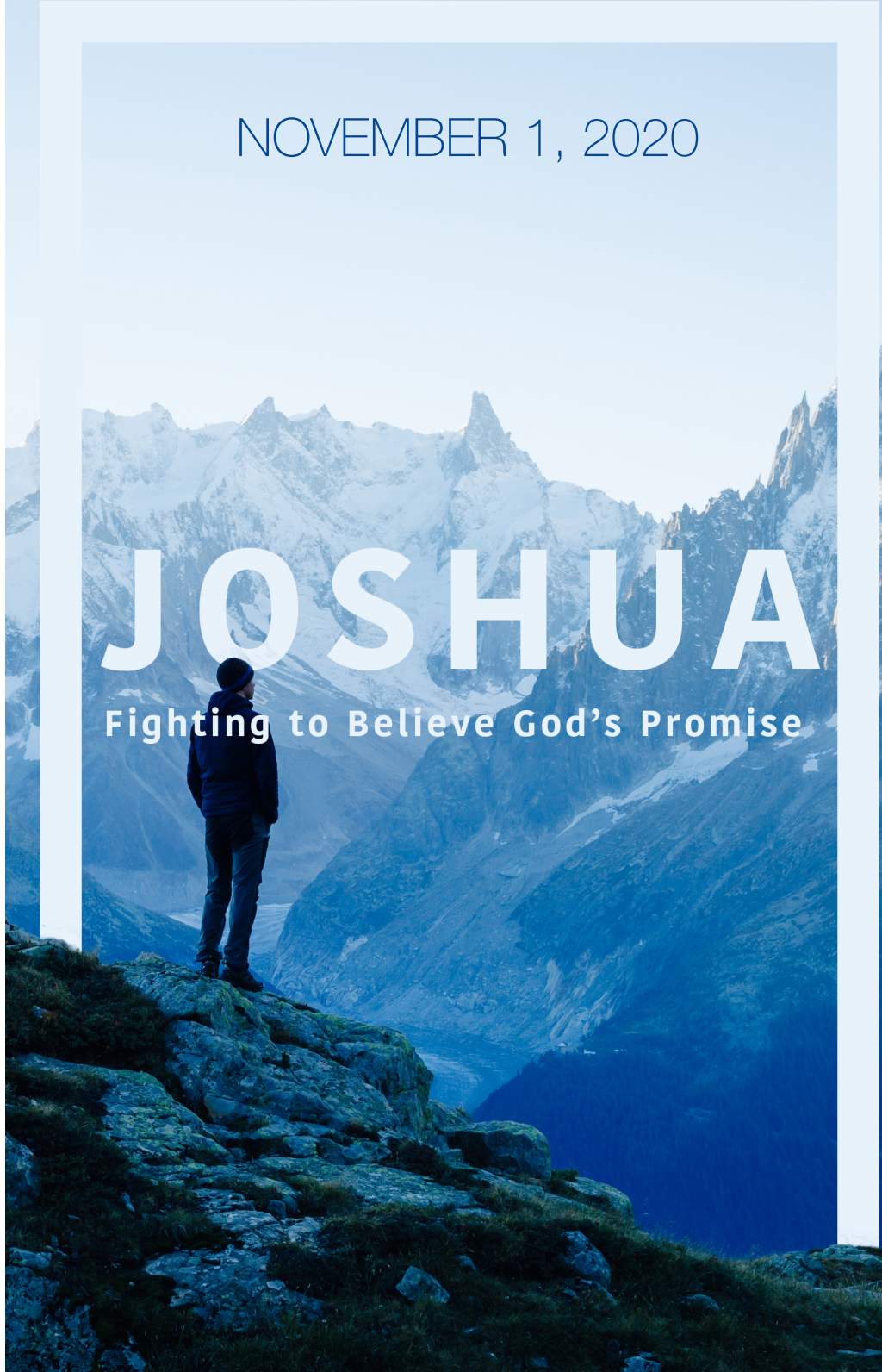
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NOVEMBER 1, 2020

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!
- Monday Night Care Group - every Monday 7pm at church
- Men's Bible Study - 7am Wednesdays - Zoom
- MidWeek Study - 6:30pm - Wednesdays - Bible Overview - at HBC
- Ladies Bible Study - Tuesdays and Thursdays, see Mel or Doreen
- Member Meeting - Sunday, November 15, 6pm
- Thanksgiving Eve Service - Wednesday, November 25, 6:30pm

finances

General Offering - Sep '20	\$18,090.23
Designated Gifts - Sep '20	\$371.51
YTD General Offering thru Sep '20	\$192,325.13
2020 Budget	\$322,562.00

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worship guide

November 1, 2020

Our sermon passage today is from Joshua 22. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, at His table, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:

COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.”

(Hebrews 3:12-14 ESV)

CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Think about “finishing well” - what does that mean to you?
- Look at the passage above and think about what it means for Christians to “finish well” - how can we “exhort one another?”
- How is the church community impacted by sin from within its people?
- Can anyone give testimony of a time when you talked to someone about sin and you both walked away encouraged?
- What does this account in Joshua 22 teach us about the potential affects of sin and the need for truth? How does that all relate to the gospel?
- NEXT WEEK’S PASSAGE: Joshua 23

SING

All Creatures of Our God and King | Before the Throne of God Above |
Behold Our God | Hallelujah! What a Savior | Lord Most High

sermon notes

November 1, 2020

JOSHUA 22

Breach of Faith?

1. Finishing Well. [22:1-9; Hebrews 3:12-14]

Faithfulness means continuing in the fight against sin.

2. Ready for a Fight. [22:10-20; Leviticus 17:8-9; Matthew 18:15-17]

The whole community should be on the lookout for sin.

3. Not That Kind of an Altar. [22:21-34]

Big Idea: Truth satisfies the wrath for sin.

VERSE 1

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

Verse 1

**All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him! Allelujah!**

**Thou, burning sun with golden beam
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Allelujah! Allelujah! Allelujah!**

Verse 2

**Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him! Allelujah!**

**Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Allelujah! Allelujah! Allelujah!**

Verse 3

**All the redeemed washed by His blood
Come and rejoice in His great love
O praise Him! Allelujah!**

**Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Allelujah! Allelujah! Allelujah!**

Verse 4

**He shall return in pow'r to reign
Heaven and earth will join to say
O praise Him! Allelujah!**

**Then who shall fall on bended knee?
All creatures of our God and King,
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Allelujah! Allelujah!**

**O praise Him! O praise Him!
Allelujah! Allelujah!
Allelujah!**

(v. 1-2) by St. Francis of Assisi, translated by William Henry Draper. Music, 16th Century German tune, adapted by Jonathan Baird and Ryan Baird. Add. words (v. 3-4) by Jonathan Baird and Ryan Baird. © 2013 Sovereign Grace Worship (ASCAP)

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**

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Chorus 1

**Behold our God seated on His throne,
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare,
Come let us adore Him.**

Verse 1

**Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice.**

Chorus 1

Verse 2

**Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One Who knows all things?
Who can fathom All His wondrous deeds?**

Chorus 1

Verse 3

**Who has felt the nails upon His hand,
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave
Jesus Savior risen now to reign!**

Chorus 1

Bridge

You will reign forever; (Let Your glory fill the earth)

Chorus 1

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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

Verse 1

**From the ends of the earth (ECHO)
From the depths of the sea (ECHO)
From the heights of the heavens (ECHO)
Your name be praised**

**From the hearts of the weak (ECHO)
From the shouts of the strong (ECHO)
From the lips of all people (ECHO)
This song we raise Lord**

Chorus 1

**Throughout the endless ages
You will be crowned with praises
Lord Most High**

**Exalted in every nation
Sovereign of all creation
Lord Most High be magnified**

Verse 1

**From the ends of the earth (ECHO)
From the depths of the sea (ECHO)
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Chorus 1

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