

Sunday Home Worship Guide Sunday, March 22, 2020

Call to Worship

READ:

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows.
(2 Corinthians 1:3–5 NIV)

PRAY:

God of compassion, we come to you seeking not only comfort, but your very presence. In the troubles of this present world, let us know your comforting presence, the assurance of your favor, and the peace that comes from you alone. Meet with us as we seek this day in prayer and praise. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Singing *(song lyrics on pg 2)*

“ 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”
“He Will Hold Me Fast”

Prayer of Confession

READ:

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9 NIV)

PRAY:

Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you love us, but we have not loved you. You have opened your heart to us, and in our pride we have spurned your care. You have given us all things, and we have squandered your gifts. We have grieved you and caused hurt to others, and we are not worthy to be called your children. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Cleanse us from our sin, and receive us once again into your household, that we might never more stray from your love but always remain within the sound of your voice.

READ:

*If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: the old has gone, the new has come!
All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.* (2 Corinthians 5:17–18 NIV)

Receive the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Special Music—video Andrew Peterson “Is He Worthy?”

Sermon “When Plague Comes to the Land” (1 Kings 8:37-40)

Song—“You Alone Can Rescue”

Benediction

*Peace to the brothers, and love with faith from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
Grace to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with an undying love.*
(Philippians 4:23–24 NIV)

1 Kings 8:37-40 (NIV)

“When famine or plague comes to the land, or blight or mildew, locusts or grasshoppers, or when an enemy besieges them in any of their cities, whatever disaster or disease may come, and when a prayer or plea is made by anyone among your people Israel—being aware of the afflictions of their own hearts, and spreading out their hands toward this temple—then hear from heaven, your dwelling place. Forgive and act: deal with everyone according to all they do, since you know their hearts (for you alone know every human heart), so that they will fear you all the time they live in the land you gave our ancestors.”

Songs of Praise and Worship

“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

[V1]

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to take Him at His word
Just to rest upon His promise
And to know thus saith the Lord

[C]

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus
O for grace to trust Him more

[V2]

O how sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to trust His cleansing blood
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood

[V3]

Yes 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus
Just from sin and self to cease
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest and joy and peace

[V4]

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend
And I know that Thou art with me
Wilt be with me to the end

[T]

O for grace to trust Him more

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

[V1]

When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast

[C]

He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast

[V2]

Those He saves are His delight
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost
His Promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast

[V3]

For my life He bled and died
Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied
He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life
He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last

Closing Song

“You Alone Can Rescue”

[V1] (2x)

Who, O Lord, could save themselves
Their own soul could heal
Our shame was deeper than the sea
Your grace is deeper still

[C1]

And You alone can rescue
You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us,
led us out of death
To You alone belongs
the highest praise

[V2]

You, O Lord have made a way
The great divide You healed
For when our hearts were far away
Your love went further still
Yes Your love goes further still

(Bridge)

We lift up our eyes

Lift up our eyes

You're the giver of life

We lift up our eyes

Lift up our eyes

You're the giver of life

[T](Ending)

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