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Prelude

PRELUDE

Where the Spirit of the Lord Is

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Call to Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord!

Sing to the Lord a new song, sing His praise in the assembly of the godly!

For the Lord takes pleasure in His people;

He adorns the humble with salvation.

Let us worship God!



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Hymn

HYMN OF PRAISE: Open the Eyes of My Heart

Chorus 1

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You
x2

Chorus 2

To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy holy holy

Chorus 1 x2

Chorus 2

Bridge

Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
I want to see You
x2

Chorus 2

Chorus 1



HYMN OF PRAISE: This is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus

This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus

Bridge

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
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Chorus



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Prayer of Confession

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Holy God, we admit wholeheartedly that we are sinners through and through. Our intentions, thoughts, and desires are often opposed to Your gracious will for our lives. We confess to You now our many sins ...

(silent prayer)

We cry out to You for forgiveness, O Lord. Remove our offenses and renew our hearts, that we might long to be pure and righteous. We ask this in the Name of the only blameless One, King Jesus, Amen.



Assurance of Pardon

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
But if we confess our sins,

He is faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Brothers and sisters, I declare to you that by grace through faith in Christ we are forgiven.

Thank you Lord!



HYMN OF PRAISE: Before the Throne Of God



Hymn

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 heaven He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Saviour 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

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 is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God
With Christ my Saviour and my God

I bow before the cross of Christ
And marvel at this love divine
God's perfect Son was sacrificed
To make me righteous in God's eyes
This river's depths I cannot know
But I can glory in its flood
The Lord Most High has bowed down low
And poured on me His glorious love
And poured on me His glorious love

SERMON: VANITY
Paradox, Problem & Promise



ECCLESIASTES 7:15-29

¹⁵ In my vain life I have seen everything. There is a righteous man who perishes in his righteousness, and there is a wicked man who prolongs his life in his evildoing. ¹⁶ Be not overly righteous, and do not make yourself too wise. Why should you destroy yourself? ¹⁷ Be not overly wicked, neither be a fool. Why should you die before your time? ¹⁸ It is good that you should take hold of this, and from that withhold not your hand, for the one who fears God shall come out from both of them.

¹⁹ Wisdom gives strength to the wise man more than ten rulers who are in a city. ²⁰ Surely there is not a righteous man on earth who does good and never sins. ²¹ Do not take to heart all the things that people say, lest you hear your servant cursing you. ²² Your heart knows that many times you yourself have cursed others. ²³ All this I have tested by wisdom. I said, "I will be wise," but it was far from me. ²⁴ That which has been is far off, and deep, very deep; who can find it out?

²⁵ I turned my heart to know and to search out and to seek wisdom and the scheme of things, and to know the wickedness of folly and the foolishness that is madness. ²⁶ And I find something more bitter than death: the woman whose heart is snares and nets, and whose hands are fetters. He who pleases God escapes her, but the sinner is taken by her. ²⁷ Behold, this is what I found, says the Preacher, while adding one thing to another to find the scheme of things—²⁸ which my soul has sought repeatedly, but I have not found. One man among a thousand I found, but a woman among all these I have not found. ²⁹ See, this alone I found, that God made man upright, but they have sought out many schemes.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Outline:

1. Paradox: The **good** receive **bad**, while the **bad** receive **good**
2. Problem: **Sin** upon **sin**
3. Promise: The cross of **Christ**



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Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory



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Hymn

HYMN OF PRAISE: 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Chorus

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

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

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

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