

Contending for Community
CONTENDING for community... one more time

Connect

Share about a time when your motives were misunderstood.

Reflect

Share an insight from Sunday's message or Scriptures.

Explore

1. For the false apostles, teaching was a business (2 Corinthians 2:17). For Paul, the church was his children, and he wanted them to grow up (1 Corinthians 14:20 and 2 Corinthians 12:14-15). What are some indicators that you are maturing in the faith?

2. Paul was about to pay a visit for the third time to the Corinthians, when he could otherwise have been busy elsewhere planting churches (verse 14). What are some of the costs of continued faithfulness in helping to nurture another's faith?

3. In verse 19, Paul says that everything he does is to strengthen his people. How is this an example for us in our relationships, especially as mentors? (See Romans 14:19 and Ephesians 4:29.)

4. Throughout the writings to the Corinthians, we have seen that they struggle with the list of evils in verse 20. Which of these do you consider to be the most destructive in the church and why?

Graves Into Gardens

Verse 1

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise and treasures that fade
Are never enough
Then You came along and put me back together
And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

Chorus

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

Verse 2

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all
And You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain
Is the God of the valley
And there's not a place
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

Bridge

You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can

Bridge

You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can

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Pour Me Out

Verse 1

Make me a vessel of Your peace
Where there is war let fighting cease
All that divides us come reconcile us
Make me a vessel of Your peace

Verse 2

Make me a vessel of Your love
Where there is hatred break it up
All creeds and colors bind us together
Make me a vessel of Your love

Chorus

Pour me out pour me out pour me out
Wherever I am wherever I go

Verse 3

Make me a vessel of Your hope
Where dreams are dead come wake them up
A new horizon I feel it rising
Make me a vessel of Your hope

Bridge

Like a rushing river let mercy flow
Through my heart to my world
(REPEAT)

Goodness Of God

Verse 1

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

Verse 2

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

It Is Well

Verse 1

When peace like a river attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot You have taught me to say
It is well it is well with my soul

Chorus 1

It is well it is well
Through the storm I am held
It is well it is well with my soul

Verse 2

My sin oh the bliss of this glorious thought
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more
Praise the Lord praise the Lord oh my soul

Chorus 2

It is well it is well
God has won Christ prevailed
It is well it is well with my soul

Verse 3

And Lord haste the day
When the faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The horn shall resound and the Lord shall descend
Even so it is well with my soul

Ending

It is well with my soul
It is well it is well with my soul