

**Outdoor Worship Service**  
**Essential vs Non-Essential: John's Insight**  
**Aug 9, 2020**

**WELCOME!**

**THERE'S NOTHING THAT OUR GOD CAN'T DO**

*Verse 1:*

*Just one word, You calm the storm that surrounds me  
Just one word, the darkness has to retreat  
Just one touch, I feel the presence of heaven  
Just one touch, my eyes were opened to see  
My heart can't help but believe*

*Chorus:*

*There's nothing that our God can't do  
There's not a mountain that He can't move  
Oh praise the name that makes a way,  
There's nothing that our God can't do*

*Verse 2:*

*Just one word, You heal what's broken inside me  
Just one word, and you revive every dream  
Just one touch, I feel the power of heaven  
Just one touch, my eyes were opened to see  
My heart can't help but believe*

*Bridge:*

*I will believe, for greater things  
There's no power like the power of Jesus  
Let faith arise, let all agree  
There's no power like the power of Jesus  
I will believe, for greater things  
There's no power like the power of Jesus  
Let faith arise, let all agree  
There's no power like the power of Jesus  
I will believe, for greater things  
There's no power like the power of Jesus  
Let faith arise, let all agree  
There's no power like His power*

**10,000 REASONS**

*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.*

**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.*

**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.*

**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!*

**MESSAGE: Essential vs. Non-Essential - John's Insight**

**I. Covid-19 Expressions**

Covid-19 Pandemic has introduced some new perspectives into our lives Some of them are uncomfortable.

- Essential
- Non-essential
- High-risk
- Too vulnerable to be in public
- Too old to participate

**In the context of your faith and your spiritual life . . . what is your designation?**

Comments when everyone came back to the office . . .

- "Last week, I could go for a walk morning, noon, and evening."
- "Last week, I could have afternoon tea on my patio."
- "I was getting caught up on all my chores around the house."
- "Next week, you might not get a pay check!"

**II. Gospel of John**

I could read John weekly for one year and learn a great deal.

- ◆ Watching a baseball game - the first time, you learn something; the 1000<sup>th</sup> time, you learn something
- ◆ Experienced baker vs. Novice - both have recipes but one is aware of subtle differences that have a huge impact on the ultimate outcome
- ◆ **the heart of the matter - desire; What are you listening for?**

## Big Rock Themes/Ideas -

- There is a God - creator, healer, judge - watching over all
- Judgement
- There is life beyond time
- Rewards - outcomes: not the same for all
- How to get ready - choices in time impact your eternity

**John 4:23-24** (NIV) <sup>23</sup> Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.



**John 5:26-29** (NIV) <sup>26</sup> For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son to have life in himself. <sup>27</sup> And he has given him authority to judge because he is the Son of Man. <sup>28</sup> "Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when **all who are in their graves will hear his voice** <sup>29</sup> **and come out**--those who have done good will rise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned.



**John 6:26-27** (NIV) <sup>26</sup> Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, you are looking for me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. <sup>27</sup> Do not work for food that spoils, but for **food that endures to eternal life**, which the Son of Man will give you. On him God the Father has placed his seal of approval."



**John 6:66-69** (NIV) <sup>66</sup> From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. <sup>67</sup> "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? **You have the words of eternal life.** <sup>69</sup> We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."



**John 8:21-24** (NIV) <sup>21</sup> Once more Jesus said to them, "I am going away, and you will look for me, and you will die in your sin. **Where I go, you cannot come.**" <sup>22</sup> This made the Jews ask, "Will he kill himself? Is that why he says, 'Where I go, you cannot come'?" <sup>23</sup> But he continued, "You are from below; I am from above. **You are of this world;** I am not of this world. <sup>24</sup> I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am [the one I claim to be], you will indeed die in your sins."



**John 8:31-32** (NIV) <sup>31</sup> To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. <sup>32</sup> Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."



**John 9:39** (NIV) <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "For judgment I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind."



**John 10:28** (NIV) <sup>28</sup> **I give them eternal life**, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand.



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**John 11:25-26** (NIV) <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "**I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies;** <sup>26</sup> and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"



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**John 12:25-26** (NIV) <sup>25</sup> The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> **Whoever serves me must follow me;** and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.



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**John 12:48-50** (NIV) <sup>48</sup> **There is a judge for the one who rejects me and does not accept my words;** that very word which I spoke will condemn him at the last day. <sup>49</sup> For I did not speak of my own accord, but the Father who sent me commanded me what to say and how to say it. <sup>50</sup> I know that his command leads to eternal life. So whatever I say is just what the Father has told me to say."



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**John 13:1** (NIV) <sup>1</sup> It was just before the Passover Feast. **Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father.** Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love.



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**John 13:3** (NIV) <sup>3</sup> Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God;



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**John 13:36-37** (NIV) <sup>36</sup> Simon Peter asked him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus replied, "Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow later." <sup>37</sup> Peter asked, "Lord, why can't I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you."



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**John 14:26-27** (NIV) <sup>26</sup> But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.



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**John 16:1-4** (NIV) <sup>1</sup> "All this I have told you so that you will not go astray. <sup>2</sup> They will put you out of the synagogue; in fact, a time is coming when anyone who kills you will think he is offering a service to God. <sup>3</sup> They will do such things because they have not known the Father or me. <sup>4</sup> I have told you this, so that when the time comes you will remember that I warned you. I did not tell you this at first because I was with you.



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**John 17:13** (NIV) <sup>13</sup> "I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them.



**John 19:11** (NIV) <sup>11</sup> Jesus answered, "You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin."



### **Observations:**

1. Under the Sun/In Time - We are sent by God for His purpose
2. Journey through Time - Brief intense opposition to God's agenda
3. Jesus - The way, the truth, and the life
4. Repent and Believe
5. Serve and Follow
6. We have a Helper present in the Earth
7. Do not let your hearts be troubled; Do not be afraid

### **CLOSING PRAYER**

#### **This Week's Bible Readings (Use the TCND App if you want to listen):**

- Sat Rest  Sun Luke 17:11-19; Ps 115-118  Mon Luke 17:20-37; Ps 119:1-88  Tue Luke 18:1-8; Ps 119:89-176  
 Wed Luke 18:9-17; Ps 120-132  Thur Luke 18:18-43; Ps 133-139  Fri Luke 19:1-28; Ps 140-145  Sat Rest



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