

REVELATION CALL TO WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE READING: ISAIAH 59.14-21

- ¹⁴ Justice is turned back,
and righteousness stands far away;
for truth has stumbled in the public squares,
and uprightness cannot enter.
- ¹⁵ Truth is lacking,
and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey.
The LORD saw it, and it displeased him
that there was no justice.
- ¹⁶ He saw that there was no man,
and wondered that there was no one to intercede;
then his own arm brought him salvation,
and his righteousness upheld him.
- ¹⁷ He put on righteousness as a breastplate,
and a helmet of salvation on his head;
he put on garments of vengeance for clothing,
and wrapped himself in zeal as a cloak.
- ¹⁸ According to their deeds, so will he repay,
wrath to his adversaries, repayment to his enemies;
to the coastlands he will render repayment.
- ¹⁹ So they shall fear the name of the LORD from the west,
and his glory from the rising of the sun;
for he will come like a rushing stream,
which the wind of the LORD drives.
- ²⁰ "And a Redeemer will come to Zion,
to those in Jacob who turn from transgression," declares the LORD.
- ²¹ "And as for me, this is my covenant with them," says the LORD: "My Spirit that is upon you, and my words that I have put in your mouth, shall not depart out of your mouth, or out of the mouth of your offspring, or out of the mouth of your children's offspring," says the LORD, "from this time forth and forevermore."

COME PRAISE AND GLORIFY

Come people of the risen King
Who delight to bring Him praise
Come all and tune your hearts to sing
To the Morning Star of grace
From the shifting shadows of the earth
We will lift our eyes to Him
Where steady arms of mercy reach
To gather children in

Rejoice Rejoice
Let every tongue rejoice One heart one voice
O Church of Christ rejoice

Come those whose joy is morning sun
And those weeping through the night
Come those who tell of battles won
And those struggling in the fight
For His perfect love will never change
And His mercies never cease
But follow us through all our days
With the certain hope of peace

Come young and old from every land
Men and women of the faith
Come those with full or empty hands
Find the riches of His grace
Over all the world His people sing
Shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through every age
Our God is all in all

ADORATION TO GOD BE THE GLORY

To God be the glory great things He has done
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the life gate that all may go in

Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the earth hear His voice
Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the people rejoice
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son
And give Him the glory great things He has done

O perfect redemption the purchase of blood
To every believer the promise of God
The vilest offender who truly believes
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives

Great things He has taught us
Great things He has done
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder our transport when Jesus we see

CONFESSION & EXPIATION O CHURCH OF CHRIST INVINCIBLE

O Church of Christ invincible,
the people of the Lord
Empowered by the Spirit's breath,
and nourished by His word
His covenant of grace will be

our portion evermore
For he who called us will not change,
our help and our reward

O chosen people called by grace,
the sons of Abraham
Who walk by faith in things unseen
and on His promise stand
That every nation of the earth will hear
of boundless love
That causes broken hearts to heal
and pays our debts with blood

O Church of Christ in sorrow now,
where evil lies in wait
When trials and persecutions come
this light will never fade
For though the hordes of hell may rage,
their power will not endure
Our times are in the Father's hand,
our anchor is secure

O Church of Christ upon that day,
when all are gathered in
When every tear is wiped away
with every trace of sin
Where justice, truth, and beauty shine,
and death has passed away
Where God and man will dwell as one
for all eternity

PROCLAMATION SCRIPTURE READING: LUKE 15.1-7

15 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

³So he told them this parable: ⁴"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

COLOSSIANS 3.1-4.1 (NASB)

²Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with *an attitude of thanksgiving*; ³praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned; ⁴that I may make it clear in the way that I ought to proclaim *it*.

^{5a}Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, ^cmaking the most of the opportunity. ⁶Your speech *must always be* with grace, *as though* seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person.

⁷As to all my affairs, Tychicus, *our* beloved brother and faithful servant and fellow bond-servant in the Lord, will bring you information. ⁸*For* I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know about our circumstances and that he may encourage your hearts; ⁹and with him is Onesimus, *our* faithful and beloved brother, who is one of your *own*. They will inform you about the whole situation here.

¹⁰Aristarchus, my fellow prisoner, sends you his greetings; and *also* Barnabas' cousin Mark (about whom you received instructions; if he comes to you, welcome him); ¹¹and *also* Jesus who is called Justus; these are the only fellow workers for the kingdom of God who are from the circumcision, and they have proved to be an encouragement to me. ¹²Epaphras, who is one of your *own*, a bond-servant of Christ Jesus, sends you his greetings, always striving earnestly for you in his prayers, that you may stand ^dmature and fully assured in all the will of God. ¹³For I testify for him that he has a deep concern for you and for those who are in Laodicea and Hierapolis. ¹⁴Luke, the beloved physician, sends you his greetings, and Demas *does also*. ¹⁵Greet the brothers *and sisters* who are in Laodicea and also Nympha and the church that is in her house. ¹⁶When this letter is read among you, have it also read in the church of the Laodiceans; and you, for your part, read my letter *that is coming* from Laodicea. ¹⁷Tell Archippus, "See to the ministry which you have received in the Lord, so that you may fulfill it."

¹⁸I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my ^cimprisonment. Grace be with you.

SERMON NOTES

I. v.2-6; POTENTIAL BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Q. Have you ever wondered who around you could be the next person to be a part of our church? What can you start doing to explicitly be asking yourself, "I wonder if they're a potential brother or sister?"

II. v.7-18 ALL THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Q. What do you love about the church, and your part in it? What part are you? Look up Romans 12 and I Corinthians 12 for a list of gifts that God may have given you to be used for the Church even better.

DEDICATION & SUPPLICATION

THE FAMILY OF GOD

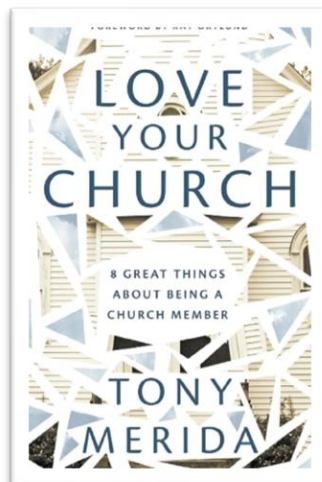
I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God
I've been washed in the fountain
cleansed by His blood!
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod
For I'm part of the family, the family of God

COMMUNION

COMMISION BENEDICTION

RECOMMENDED READ

LOVE YOUR CHURCH by TONY MERIDA



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