

Lord's Day Worship

May 2, 2021

Call to Worship

from Psalm 29

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness....The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty....the LORD sits enthroned as king forever. May the LORD give strength to his people!

May the LORD bless us with peace!

Hymn of Adoration

How Great Is Our God

The splendor of a King, clothed in majesty
Let all the Earth rejoice, All the Earth rejoice

He wraps Himself in light, And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, Trembles at His voice

Chorus: How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands, And time is in His hands
Beginning and the end, Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One, Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb [Chorus]

Name above all names
Worthy of our praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

You're the name above all names
You are worthy of our praise
And my heart will sing
How great is our God [Chorus]

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Confession

Luke 12.15-21, 32-34

And Jesus said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they

be?’ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”...“Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Prayer of Confession

Holy and gracious God, we are so frail and fragile, getting blown about by the latest bad news, by our own failings, and the wrongs of others. You call us to view all things through the limitless radiance of Your being, but too often we magnify everything but You, and allow finite things to define our lives. You call us to find our satisfaction in You, but we too often exchange Your immortal glory for the decaying trinkets of the world and the flesh, and are robbed of our joy. Open our eyes to see and savor Christ as our true and lasting hope. Enlarge our hearts to cherish and adore You above all rivals. Fill us with the fullness of joy and the boundless pleasures of Your presence, and may our patient trust magnify to the world the superiority of the manifold perfections of Your worth. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

2 Corinthians 8.9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

Hymn of Praise

And Can It Be 455

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Chorus: Amazing love! How can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all! The Immortal dies!
Who can explore His strange design?
In vain the firstborn seraph tries
To sound the depths of love Divine!
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,
Let angel minds inquire no more. [Chorus]

He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race:
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me. [Chorus]

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray,

I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee. [Chorus]

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness Divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own. [Chorus]

Prayer of Intercession & 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.*

Song of Trust

I Will Trust My Savior Jesus

I will trust my Savior Jesus
When my darkest doubts befall
Trust Him when to simply trust Him
Seems the hardest thing of all

I will trust my Savior Jesus
Trust Him when my strength is small
For I know the shield of Jesus
Is the safest place of all.

[Chorus] Jesus, only Jesus
Help me trust you more and more
Jesus, only Jesus
May my heart be ever yours

I will trust my Savior Jesus
He has said His way is best
For I know the path He's chosen
Leads to everlasting rest [Chorus]

Oh on that cross, how it was seen
I can go now ever trusting in the One who died for me
What could I bring for your gift is complete
So I trust you, simply trust you, Lord, with every part of me [Chorus]

Sermon

Ecclesiastes 3.16-4.6

“Judgment, Oppression, Envy, and a Handful of Quietness”

Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism 79-81

Q. 79. Which is the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment is, You shall not covet your neighbor's house, you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Q. 80. What is required in the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment requires full contentment with our own condition, with a right and charitable frame of spirit toward our neighbor, and all that is his.

Q. 81. What is forbidden in the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment forbids all discontentment with our own estate, envying or grieving at the good of our neighbor, and all ungodly longings and desires for anything that is his.

Song of Response

Be Thou My Vision 642

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art -
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;
be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r;
raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Benediction

Numbers 6.24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Response*Gloria Patri*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,*

world without end. Alleluia. Amen.



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