

Sunday evening worship – March 7th 2021

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed!

*My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Saviour, has ransomed me.
And like a flood, His mercy reigns,
Unending love, amazing grace*

The Lord has promised good to me, His word, my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures. *My chains are gone...(*2)*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine,
But God who called me here below, will be forever mine.

My Jesus, my Saviour,
Lord, there is none like You.
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength,
Let every breath, all that I am,
Never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the
Promise I have in You.

Everyone needs compassion love that's never failing
let mercy fall on me.
Everyone needs forgiveness the kindness of a Saviour, the hope of nations.

*Saviour, he can move the mountains. My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save.
Forever, author of salvation He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.*

So take me as you find me all my fears and failures fill my life again.
I give my life to follow, everything I believe in now I surrender.

Shine your light and let the whole world see, we're singing, for the glory of the risen King - Jesus.
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King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting, without hope, without light
'Til from Heaven You came running there was mercy in Your eyes.
To fulfill the law and prophets to a virgin came the word
From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt.

*Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, three in one!
God of glory, Majesty, praise forever to the King of Kings.*

To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost,
To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross.
For even in your suffering You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake you died. *Praise the Father...*

And the morning that You rose all of Heaven held its breath
'Til that stone was moved for good for the Lamb had conquered death.
And the dead rose from their tombs and the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored
And the church of Christ was born then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old shall not kneel, shall not faint
By His blood and in His name in His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me. *Praise the Father...*

Today's Scripture – Jesus Clears the Temple Courts

¹³ When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴ In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. ¹⁵ So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!" ¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me."^[c]

¹⁸ The Jews then responded to him, "What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?"

¹⁹ Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days."

²⁰ They replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" ²¹ But the temple he had spoken of was his body. ²² After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

²³ Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, many people saw the signs he was performing and believed in his name.^[d] ²⁴ But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all people. ²⁵ He did not need any testimony about mankind, for he knew what was in each person.

For discussion.

Jesus was an outside agency speaking into what he experienced in the temple. A business might bring in an outside consultant (like Rogan!) to challenge and change the culture. As a church, in what way can Jesus speak into our "institution" and our way of being church. Can it come from within?

Can you think of any situation where you might act as Jesus did???

What experience have you of challenging the accepted norms and making a difference?