

## Song of Gathering

### *O Father, You Are Sovereign*

Words: Margaret Clarkson, 1982; Music: Melchior Teschner (ca. 1615)

O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made; your mighty word was spoken and light and life obeyed. Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore, sets stars within their courses and stills the tempests' roar.

O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man; no pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart Your perfect plan. All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space, you hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now, but soon before your triumph earth's every knee shall bow. With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew: our sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you!

## Welcome & Announcements

### Call to Worship

Daniel 2:20-22

### Prayer of Invocation

### Songs of Praise

### *O Worship the King*

Words: Based on Psalm 104 by Robert Grant, 1833; Music: Johann Michael Haydn; Arr. in William Gardiner's *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

O worship the King all-glorious above, O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love; Our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space! His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain; And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In you do we trust, nor find you to fail; Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend!

### *Lord, I Need You*

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Lord, I come, I confess, Bowing here I find my rest, Without You I fall apart, You're the One that guides my heart

**Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, Every hour I need You, My one defense, my righteousness Oh God, how I need You**

Where sin runs deep, your grace is more, Where grace is found is where You are And where You are, Lord, I am free, Holiness is Christ in me **(Chorus)**

*So teach my song to rise to You, When temptation comes my way, When I cannot stand I'll fall on You, Jesus, You're my hope and stay* **(Chorus)**

**You're my one defense, my righteousness Oh God, how I need You**

## Confession of Sin

O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. We have not listened to your word in the Scriptures. We have not obeyed your voice by walking in your laws. Therefore, to us belongs open shame. We deserve your wrath and the curse of the law But to you, O Lord, belong righteousness, mercy, and forgiveness. So we plead before you, not because of our righteousness, but because of your great mercy. Hear us, Lord. Forgive us, Lord. For your own sake, act and do not delay to change our hearts because your people are called by your name

## Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:6-10

## Confession of Faith

*What is the gospel?*

The gospel is the good news of the victory of God through Jesus Christ. It is not the word of man but the revelation of God which declares that Jesus, the image and fullness of God in human form, died in place of sinners and rose from the dead to live forever, abolishing death and bringing life and immortality to light. In the gospel we are called to believe the truth and to be sanctified by the Spirit so that we may be strengthened to live lives worthy of our calling until we attain full salvation. The gospel gives us no ground for boasting because in it we declare not ourselves but Jesus Christ as Lord. Those who proclaim any other gospel are under God's curse, but those who devote their lives to the true gospel will receive not only life, but great reward.

## Pastoral Prayer

## Worship through Giving

*All I Have Is Christ*

Words and Music: Jordan Kauflin ©2008 Sovereign Grace Praise

I once was lost in darkest night, Yet thought I knew the way, The sin that promised joy and life  
Had led me to the grave, I had no hope that You would own, A rebel to Your will, And if You had  
not loved me first I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race, Indifferent to the cost, You looked upon my helpless state And  
led me to the cross, And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place, You bore the  
wrath reserved for me, Now all I know is grace

**Chorus: Alleluia! All I have is Christ, Alleluia! Jesus is my life**

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone, And live so all might see, The strength to follow Your com-  
mands, Could never come from me, O Father, use my ransomed life, In any way You choose, And  
let my song forever be My only boast is You **(Chorus 2x)**

## Doxology

*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, amen. Amen.

## Song of Preparation

*Man of Sorrows, Lamb of God*

Words and Music: Shane and Shane © 2015 Shane and Shane

Man of sorrows Lamb of God, By His own betrayed  
The sin of man and wrath of God, Has been on Jesus laid

Silent as He stood accused, Beaten mocked and scorned  
Bowing to the Father's will, He took a crown of thorns

**(Chorus) Oh that rugged cross, my salvation, Where Your love poured out over me  
Now my soul cries out, "Hallelujah! Praise and honor unto Thee**

Sent of heaven God's own Son, To purchase and redeem  
And reconcile the very ones, Who nailed Him to that tree **(Chorus)**

See the stone is rolled away, Behold the empty tomb  
Hallelujah God be praised, He's risen from the grave! **(Chorus)**

## Scripture Reading

John 3:22-36

## Sermon: Genesis: Glory Revealed

"Why Would I Decrease?"  
Randy Lozano

## **Song of Response**

### *Every Word of the Lord Is True*

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Every word of the Lord is true, Yes, every word of the Lord is true, From eternity he willed what in  
Christ will be fulfilled, For every word of the Lord is true

The way of the Lord is right, Yes, the way of the Lord is right Though he leads us through pain  
He will restore us again, For the way of the Lord is right

The heart of the Lord is good, Yes, heart of the Lord is good, No mind can comprehend  
all the blessing he intends, For the heart of the Lord is good

The arm of the Lord is strong, Yes, the arm of the Lord is strong, There's no power known to man  
that can overcome his plan, For the arm of the Lord is strong

Let the people of God rejoice! Now let the people of God rejoice! He is true! He is right! For his  
goodness, for his might, ///Let the people of God rejoice!///

## **Benediction**