Words of Welcome

Psalm 96:1-6 (ESV)

- 1 Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!
- 2 Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!
- 4 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.
- 5 For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens.
- 6 Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Scripture Reading

Colossians 1:15-23 (ESV)

- 15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.
- 16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.
- 17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
- 18 And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.
- 19 For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
- 20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.
- 21 And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,
- 22 he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,
- 23 if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love

Verse 1:

Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love; Too vast and astounding to tell. Forever existing in worlds above, Now offered and given to all. Oh fountain of beauty eternal; The Father, the Spirit, the Son. Sufficient and endlessly generous: Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Verse 2:

Creation is brimming with thankfulness, The mountains, exultant they stand; The seasons rejoice in Your faithfulness, All life is sustained by Your hand. You crown every meadow with color; You paint every shade in the sky; Each day the dawn wakes as an encore of Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Chorus:

How great, how sure; His love endures forevermore. Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Verse 3:

What grace, that You entered our brokenness; You came in the fullness of time.
How far we had fallen from righteousness,
But not from the mercies of Christ.
Your cross is our door to redemption;
Your death is our fullness of life.
That day, how forgiveness flowed as a flood:
Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Bridge:

United in Your resurrection, You lift us to infinite heights. Could anything sever or take us from Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Chorus 2:

How great, how sure; His love endures forever more. Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Is He Worthy

Verse 1:

Do you feel the world is broken? (We do)
Do you feel the shadows deepen? (We do)
But do you know that all the dark won't stop
The light from getting through? (We do)
Do you wish that you could see it all made new? (We do)

Verse 2:

Is all creation groaning? (It is)
Is a new creation coming? (It is)
Is the glory of the Lord to be
The light within our midst? (It is)
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? (It is)

Chorus:

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave
Is He worthy? Is He worthy
Of all blessing and honor and glory?
Is He worthy of this? He is

Verse 3:

Does the Father truly love us? (He does)
Does the Spirit move among us? (He does)
And does Jesus, our Messiah hold forever those He loves? (He does)
Does our God intend to dwell again with us? (He does)

Chorus 2:

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave
From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God
To reign with the Son
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Of all blessing and honor and glory
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Is He worthy of this?

Tag:

He is! Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? He is!

All I Have Is Christ

Verse 1:

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

Verse 2:

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:

Hallelujah all I have is Christ Hallelujah Jesus is my life

Verse 3:

Now Lord I would be Yours alone and live so all might see The strength to follow Your commands 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

New City Catechism

16: What is Sin? Full Answer

Sin is rejecting or ignoring God in the world he created, rebelling against him by living without reference to him, not being or doing what he requires in his law—resulting in our death and the disintegration of all creation.

Children's Answer

Sin is rejecting or ignoring God in the world he created, not being or doing what he requires in his law.

Scripture

1 JOHN 3:4

Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.

Commentary

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Sin is a fundamental relationship; it is not wrong doing, it is wrong being, deliberate and emphatic independence of God. The Christian religion bases everything on the positive, radical nature of sin. Other religions deal with sins; the Bible alone deals with sin. The first thing Jesus Christ faced in men was the heredity of sin, and it is because we have ignored this in our presentation of the Gospel that the message of the Gospel has lost its sting and its blasting power.

Lord Have Mercy (For What We Have Done)

Verse 1:

For what we have done and left undone
We fall on Your countless mercies
For sins that are known and those unknown
We call on Your name so holy
For envy and pride, for closing our eyes
For scorning our very neighbor
In thought word and deed we've failed You our King
How deeply we need a Savior

Chorus:

Lord have mercy Christ have mercy Lord have mercy on us Lord have mercy Christ have mercy Lord have mercy on us

Verse 2:

For what You have done Your life of love You perfectly lived we praise You Though tempted and tried You fixed Your eyes You finished the work God gave You And there on the tree A King among thieves You bled for a world's betrayal You loved to the end Our merciful friend How pure and forever faithful

Bridge:

For hearts that are cold for seizing control For scorning our very Maker In thought word and deed we've failed You our King How deeply we need a Savior

It Is Well

Verse 1:

When peace like a river attendeth my way When sorrows like sea billows roll Whatever my lot Thou hast taught me to say It is well, it is well with my soul

Chorus:

It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul) It is well, it is well with my soul

Verse 2:

Though Satan should buffet though trials should come Let this blest assurance control That Christ has regarded my helpless estate And hath shed His own blood for my soul

Verse 3:

My sin O the bliss of this glorious thought My sin not in part but the whole Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more Praise the Lord, praise the Lord O my soul

Verse 4:

And Lord haste the day when the faith shall be sight The clouds be rolled back as a scroll The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend Even so it is well with my soul

Benediction

Colossians 3:15-17 (ESV)

- 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.
- 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.
- 17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.