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Words of Welcome

Mark 1:15 (ESV)

15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:1-10 (ESV)

- 1 Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.
- 2 And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.
- 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.
- 4 And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men.
- 5 But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.
- 6 He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.
- 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you."
- 8 So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.
- 9 And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him.
- 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

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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

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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!

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Behold Our God

Verse 1

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come let us adore Him!

Verse 2

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Verse 3

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign

Bridge

You will reign forever! (Let Your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever! (Let Your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever! (Let Your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever! (Let Your glory fill)

New City Catechism

52: What Hope Does Everlasting Life Hold for Us?

Full Answer

It reminds us that this present fallen world is not all there is; soon we will live with and enjoy God forever in the new city, in the new heaven and the new earth, where we will be fully and forever freed from all sin and will inhabit renewed, resurrection bodies in a renewed, restored creation.

Children's Answer

That we will live with and enjoy God forever in the new heaven and the new earth, where we will be forever freed from all sin in a renewed, restored creation.

Scripture

REVELATION 21:1–4

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

Commentary

J. C. RYLE

Let us settle it then in our minds, for one thing, that the future happiness of those who are saved is eternal. However little we may understand it, it is something which will have no end: it will never cease, never grow old, never decay, never die. At God's “right hand are pleasures for evermore” (Ps. 16:11). Once landed in paradise, the saints of God shall go out no more. The inheritance is “incorruptible, undefiled, and fadeth not away.” They shall “receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away” (1 Pet. 1:4; 5:4). Their warfare is accomplished; their fight is over; their work is done. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more. They are travelling on towards an “eternal weight of glory,” towards a home which shall never be broken up, a meeting without a parting, a family gathering without a separation, a day without night. Faith shall be swallowed up in sight, and hope in certainty. They shall see as they have been seen, and know as they have been known, and “be for ever with the Lord.” I do not wonder that the apostle Paul adds, “Comfort one another with these words” (1 Thess. 4:17–18).

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Great Redeemer

Verse 1:

Beneath my Great Redeemer's cross,
I kneel in streams of mercy;
His blood removes my guilty stain;
His grace has made me worthy
To stand before His holiness and bow my grateful soul;
Beneath my Great Redeemer's cross, I worship Christ alone.

Chorus:

Great Redeemer, Jesus
Great Redeemer, Jesus

Verse 2:

I long to see my Savior's face,
To gaze upon His beauty,
To lose myself in His embrace,
At last, behold His glory;
The Lamb of God Who died for me has made my sin His own,
And bore my shame upon the cross; I worship Him alone.

Ending:

O, Lamb of God, You died for me, and made my sin Your own,
And bore my shame upon the cross; I worship You alone;
I worship You alone; I worship You alone.

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Hallelujah, What A Savior

Verse 1:

“Man of Sorrows!” what a name
For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Verse 2:

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned He stood;
Sealed my pardon with His blood.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Verse 3:

Guilty, vile, and helpless we;
Spotless Lamb of God was He;
“Full atonement!” can it be?
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Verse 4:

Lifted up was He to die;
“It is finished!” was His cry;
Now in Heav’n exalted high.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Verse 5:

When He comes, our glorious King,
All His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew His song we’ll sing:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

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Benediction

Hebrews 13:20-21 (ESV)

20 Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,

21 equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.