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Words of Welcome

Psalm 67:4 (ESV)

4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:11-20 (ESV)

- 11 While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place.
- 12 And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers
- 13 and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep.'
- 14 And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble."
- 15 So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been spread among the Jews to this day.
- 16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.
- 17 And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted.
- 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.
- 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
- 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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Thunder Wondrously

Verse 1:

Fairer than every lily
In all the valleys of the Earth
Who can contain Your beauty?
Who can describe all that You're worth?

Chorus:

Oh God You are salvation
The ruler of the earth and sea
Your voice will shake the nations
And thunder wondrously

Verse 2:

Lord, you will roar from Zion
Glorious justice in Your voice
What man can stand before You?
Before You, in wonder, we rejoice!

Bridge:

Mysterious,
Marvelous, wondrous God!
My Shepherd you
Comfort me with Your staff and rod

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Praise to the Lord (Joyful, Joyful)

Verse 1

Praise to the Lord the Almighty the King of creation
O my soul praise Him
For He is your Health and Salvation
Come all who hear now to His Temple draw near
Join me in glad adoration

Verse 2

Praise to the Lord
Above all things so wondrously reigning
Shelt'ring you under his wings
And so gently sustaining
Have you not seen? All that is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining

Verse 3

Praise to the Lord
Who will prosper your work and defend you
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriends you

Chorus

Joyful joyful we adore Thee
God of glory, Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee
Op'ning to the sun above

Verse 4

Praise to the Lord oh let all that is in me adore Him
All that has life and breath
Come now with praises before Him
Let the amen sound from His people again
Gladly forever adore Him

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I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Verse 1:

I sing the mighty power of God, that made the mountains rise,
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.

Verse 2:

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food.
He formed the creatures with His Word, and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how Your wonders are displayed, wherever I turn my eye,
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

Verse 3:

There's not a plant or flower below, but makes Your glories known,
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from Your throne;
While all that borrows life from You is ever in Your care;
And everywhere that man can be, You, God, are present there.

Verse 4:

In heaven He shines with beams of love, with wrath in hell beneath;
It's on His earth I stand or move, and it's His air I breathe.
His hand is my perpetual guard, He keeps me with His eye;
Why should I then forget the Lord, Who is forever nigh?

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New City Catechism

1: What Is Our Only Hope in Life and Death?

Full Answer

That we are not our own but belong, body and soul, both in life and death, to God and to our Savior Jesus Christ.

Children's Answer

That we are not our own but belong to God.

Scripture

ROMANS 14:7–8

For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

Commentary

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If we, then, are not our own but the Lord's, it is clear what error we must flee, and whither we must direct all the acts of our life. We are not our own: let not our reason nor our will, therefore, sway our plans and deeds. We are not our own: let us therefore not set it as our goal to seek what is expedient for us. . . . We are not our own: in so far as we can, let us forget ourselves and all that is ours. Conversely, we are God's: let us therefore live for him and die for him. We are God's: let his wisdom and will therefore rule all our actions. We are God's: let all the parts of our life accordingly strive toward him as our only lawful goal. O, how much has that man profited who, having been taught that he is not his own, has taken away dominion and rule from his own reason that he may yield it to God! For, as consulting our self-interest is the pestilence that most effectively leads to our destruction, so the sole haven of salvation is to be wise in nothing and to will nothing through ourselves but to follow the leading of the Lord alone.

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Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Verse 1:

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone.
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong.

Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

Chorus:

O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death.

Verse 2:

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good.
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Verse 3:

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.

There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy,
When Christ is ours forevermore.

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All To Us

Verse 1

Precious cornerstone, sure foundation
You are faithful to the end
We are waiting, on You, Jesus
We believe You're all to us

Chorus

Let the glory of Your name be the passion of the Church
Let the righteousness of God be a holy flame that burns
Let the saving love of Christ be the measure of our lives
We believe You're all to us

Verse 2

Only Son of God sent from Heaven
Hope and mercy at the cross
You are everything, You're the Promise
Jesus, You are all to us

Bridge

You're all to us, You're all to us
You're all to us, Yes, You are
You're all to us, You're all to us
You're all to us, You are

Verse 3

When this passing world is over
We will see You face to face
And forever we will worship
Jesus, You are all to us

Ending

Jesus You are all to us
You're all
You're everything to us

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Benediction

Psalm 67:1-3 (ESV)

- 1 May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, Selah
- 2 that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!