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Words of Welcome

Psalm 66:1-4 (ESV)

1 To the choirmaster. A Song. A Psalm. Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

2 sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

3 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

4 All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name." Selah

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Scripture Reading

James 2:8-13 (ESV)

8 If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well.

9 But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.

10 For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it.

11 For he who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." If you do not commit adultery but do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law.

12 So speak and so act as those who are to be judged under the law of liberty.

13 For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

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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.

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O My Soul Arise

Verse 1

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears
The bleeding sacrifice on my behalf appears
Before the throne my surety stands
Before the throne my surety stands
My name is written on His hands

Verse 2

He ever lives above for me to intercede
His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead
His blood atoned for every race
His blood atoned for every race
And sprinkles now the throne of grace

Chorus

O my soul, arise, behold the risen Christ
Your Great High Priest, your spotless sacrifice
O my soul, arise, God owns you as His child
Shake off your guilty fears
My soul, arise

Verse 3

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary
They pour effectual prayers
They strongly plead for me
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry
“Don’t let that ransomed sinner die!”

Chorus

O my soul, arise, behold the risen Christ
Your Great High Priest, your spotless sacrifice
O my soul, arise, God owns you as His child
Shake off your guilty fears
My soul, arise

Verse 4

My God is reconciled, His pard’ning voice I hear
He owns me as His child, I can no longer fear
With confidence I now draw nigh
With confidence I now draw nigh
And “Father, Abba, Father,” cry

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Verse 1:

A mighty fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing
Our Helper, He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe
His craft and power are great
And armed with cruel hate
On earth is not His equal

Verse 2:

Did we in our own strength confide
Our striving would be losing
Were not the right Man on our side
The Man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be
Christ Jesus, it is He
Lord Sabaoth His name
From age to age the same
And He must win the battle

Verse 3:

And though this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us
The prince of darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo, his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

Verse 4:

That word above all earthly powers
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

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New City Catechism

23: Why Must the Redeemer Be Truly God?

Full Answer

That because of his divine nature his obedience and suffering would be perfect and effective; and also that he would be able to bear the righteous anger of God against sin and yet overcome death.

Children's Answer

That because of his divine nature his obedience and suffering would be perfect and effective.

Scripture

ACTS 2:24

God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

Commentary

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Let no one weep for his iniquities, for pardon hath shone forth from the grave. Let no one fear death, for the Saviour's death hath set us free. In as much as he was held captive of it, he hath annihilated it. By descending into Hell, He made Hell captive. He angered it when it tasted of his flesh. And Isaiah, foretelling this, did cry: Hell, said he, was angered, when it encountered thee. . . . It was angered, for it was abolished. It was angered, for it was mocked. It was angered, for it was slain. It was angered, for it was fettered in chains. It took a body, and met God face to face. It took earth, and encountered Heaven. It took that which was visible, and fell upon the invisible. O Death, where is thy sting? O Hell, where is thy victory? Christ is risen, and thou art overthrown. Christ is risen, and the demons are fallen. Christ is risen, and the Angels rejoice. Christ is risen, and life reigneth.

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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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Sermon
The One Who Must Die For His People

John 11:45-12:11 (ESV)

45 Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him,
46 but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done.
47 So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs.
48 If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation."
49 But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all.
50 Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should die for the people, not that the whole nation should perish."
51 He did not say this of his own accord, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation,
52 and not for the nation only, but also to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad.
53 So from that day on they made plans to put him to death.
54 Jesus therefore no longer walked openly among the Jews, but went from there to the region near the wilderness, to a town called Ephraim, and there he stayed with the disciples.
55 Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and many went up from the country to Jerusalem before the Passover to purify themselves.
56 They were looking for Jesus and saying to one another as they stood in the temple, "What do you think? That he will not come to the feast at all?"
57 Now the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that if anyone knew where he was, he should let them know, so that they might arrest him.
12:1 Six days before the Passover, Jesus therefore came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead.
2 So they gave a dinner for him there. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with him at table.
3 Mary therefore took a pound of expensive ointment made from pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.
4 But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was about to betray him), said,
5 "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?"
6 He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it.
7 Jesus said, "Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of my burial.
8 For the poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."
9 When the large crowd of the Jews learned that Jesus was there, they came, not only on account of him but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead.
10 So the chief priests made plans to put Lazarus to death as well,
11 because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

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Behold Our God

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.

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?

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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)

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Benediction

Psalm 67:1-7 (ESV)

- 1 To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments. A Psalm. A Song. 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!
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Selah
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!
- 6 The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.
- 7 God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!