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Words of Welcome

Psalm 69:30-33 (ESV)

30 I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving.

31 This will please the LORD more than an ox or a bull with horns and hoofs.

32 When the humble see it they will be glad; you who seek God, let your hearts revive.

33 For the LORD hears the needy and does not despise his own people who are prisoners.

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Scripture Reading

James 2:14-17 (ESV)

14 What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him?

15 If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food,

16 and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

17 So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

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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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All Creatures of Our God and King

Verse 1:

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou, burning sun with golden beam
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 2:

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him! Alleluia
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 3:

All the Redeemed washed by His blood
Come and rejoice in His great love
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 4:

He shall return in pow'r to reign
Heaven and earth will join to say
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Then who shall fall on bended knee?
All creatures of our God and King
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Chorus

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

Verse 1:

The sun comes up, It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Verse 2:

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
10,000 reasons for my heart to find

Verse 3:

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
10,000 years and then forever more

Ending

Worship Your holy name
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name
Worship Your holy name
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name

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New City Catechism

24: Why Was it Necessary for Christ, the Redeemer, to Die?

Full Answer

Since death is the punishment for sin, Christ died willingly in our place to deliver us from the power and penalty of sin and bring us back to God. By his substitutionary atoning death, he alone redeems us from hell and gains for us forgiveness of sin, righteousness, and everlasting life.

Children's Answer

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Scripture

COLOSSIANS 1:21–22

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, 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.

Commentary

ATHANASIUS OF ALEXANDRIA

Thus, taking a body like our own, because all our bodies were liable to the corruption of death, He surrendered His body to death instead of all, and offered it to the Father. This He did out of sheer love for us, so that in His death all might die, and the law of death thereby be abolished because, having fulfilled in His body that for which it was appointed, it was thereafter voided of its power for men. This He did that He might turn again to incorruption men who had turned back to corruption, and make them alive through death by the appropriation of His body and by the grace of His resurrection. Thus He would make death to disappear from them as utterly as straw from fire.

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Be Still, My Soul

Verse 1:

Be still my soul the Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain
Leave to thy God to order and provide
In every change He faithful will remain
Be still my soul thy best thy heavenly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end

Verse 2:

Be still my soul thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as He has the past
Thy hope thy confidence let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright at last
Be still my soul the wave and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below

Verse 3:

Be still my soul the hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord
When disappointment grief and fear are gone
Sorrow forgot love's purest joys restored
Be still my soul when change and tears are past
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

Ending:

Be still my soul when change and tears are past
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

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Sermon
The King Who Comes for Judgment

John 12:12-33 (ESV)

- 12 The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem.
- 13 So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"
- 14 And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,
- 15 "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"
- 16 His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him.
- 17 The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness.
- 18 The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.
- 19 So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."
- 20 Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks.
- 21 So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus."
- 22 Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.
- 23 And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.
- 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.
- 25 Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.
- 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.
- 27 "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour.
- 28 Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."
- 29 The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him."
- 30 Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine.
- 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out.
- 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."
- 33 He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

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Where We Belong

Verse 1:

There is no height or depth
Neither life nor death
That can take me from all that I find
Here now in Your glory, Lord

Verse 2:

No other powers or love
The things of now or to come
There's nothing on earth in this life
That could ever separate us Lord

Bridge:

Your love is never ending, to your hands we surrender
Where all our sins are washed away
Your grace beyond reason has paid for our freedom
We're made alive in You

Chorus:

We run to Your throne where we belong
Every heart will sing that Jesus is Lord
Casting all else aside for the joy of our Christ
Let Your glory fall: our hearts are filled with Your fire

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Benediction

Psalm 70:4 (ESV)

4 May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you! May those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"