



# Hope Chapel Greensboro

June 7, 2009

Order of Worship

<sup>1</sup> How long, O LORD ? Will you forget me forever?  
How long will you hide your face from me?

<sup>2</sup> How long must I wrestle with my thoughts  
and every day have sorrow in my heart?  
How long will my enemy triumph over me?

<sup>3</sup> Look on me and answer, O LORD my God.  
Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death;

<sup>4</sup> my enemy will say, "I have overcome him,"  
and my foes will rejoice when I fall.

<sup>5</sup> But I trust in your unfailing love;  
my heart rejoices in your salvation.

<sup>6</sup> I will sing to the LORD,  
for he has been good to me.

Psalm 13

## **Gathering Song**

### **Down to the River to Pray**

As I went down in the river to pray, studying about that good ol' way  
And who shall wear the starry crown? Good Lord show me the way!

*O sisters let's go down, let's go down, come on down.  
O sisters let's go down, down in the river to pray.*

As I went down in the river to pray, studying about that good ol' way  
And who shall wear the robe & crown? Good Lord show me the way.

*O brothers let's go down, let's go down, come on down.  
Come on brothers, let's go down, down in the river to pray.*

As I went down in the river to pray, studying about that good ol' way  
And who shall wear the starry crown? Good Lord show me the way.

*O sinners, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.  
O sinners, let's go down, down in the river to pray.*

## **Welcome**

**Meditation #1** – Todd Jones  
Psalm 13 // Cry of Despair

## **Musical Response**

### **Motherless Child**

Sometimes I feel like a motherless child,  
Sometimes I feel like a motherless child,  
Sometimes I feel like a motherless child,  
A long way from my home.

Sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone,  
Sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone,  
Sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone,  
A long way from my home.

*Oh true believer, just a long way from home.  
Oh true believer, just a long way from home.*

### **Corporate Prayer of Lament**

How long, O LORD ? Will you forget me forever?  
How long will you hide your face from me?

*As I search for a job  
As I wait for a spouse  
As I pray for healing for sickness & addiction  
As I think about the future  
As I pray for those who do not know You  
As I long for peace in relationships*

How long must I wrestle with my thoughts  
and every day have sorrow in my heart?

*I know too well the pain of discontentment,  
Of loneliness,  
Of failure,  
Of anxiety,  
Of waiting,  
Of disappointment.*

Look on me and answer, O LORD my God.  
Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death;

*I've carried this trouble long enough.  
Long enough I've looked at the back of your head.  
I'm desperate for things to change—I want to hear from you, God.*

## **Meditation #2** - Psalm 13 // Cry of Help

### **Songs of Response**

#### **Rescue**

You are the source of life, I can't be left behind.  
No one else will do, I will take hold of You.

*'Cause I need You Jesus to come to my rescue,  
Where else can I go?  
There's no other name by which I am saved,  
Capture me with grace; I will follow You.*

I will follow You, this world has nothing for me,  
I will follow You, this world has nothing for me.

#### **God of My Life**

God of my life, to Thee I call,  
Afflicted at Thy feet I fall;  
When the great water floods prevail  
Leave not my trembling heart to fail.

*Poor though I am, despised, forgot  
Yet God, my God, forgets me not;  
And He is safe and must succeed for whom  
The Lord is sure to plead.*

Friend of the friendless and the faint,  
Where should I lodge my deep complaint?  
Where but with Thee, whose open door  
Invites the helpless and the poor!

That were a grief I could not bear,  
Didst Thou not hear and answer prayer;  
But a prayer hearing, answering God  
Supports me under every load.

## **Meditation #3** - Psalm 13 // Cry of Hope

### **Songs of Response**

**40**

I waited patiently for the Lord,  
He inclined and heard my cry.  
He lifted me up out of the pit,  
Out of the miry clay.

I will sing, sing a new song.  
I will sing, sing a new song.

*How long to sing this song?  
How long to sing this song?*

He set my feet upon a rock,  
Made my footsteps firm.  
Many will see, many will see and hear.  
I will sing, sing a new song.  
I will sing, sing a new song.

### **Forever**

Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King,  
His love endures forever.  
For He is good, He is above all things,  
His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand and an outstretched arm,  
His love endures forever.  
For the life that's been reborn,  
His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise.

*Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong,  
Forever God is with us; forever, forever.*

From the rising to the setting sun,  
His love endures forever.  
And by the grace of God we will carry on,  
His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise.

## **Unchanging**

Great is Your faithfulness, great is Your faithfulness;  
You never change, You never fail, O God.  
True are Your promises, true are Your promises;  
You never change, You never fail, O God.

*So we raise up holy hands to praise the Holy One,  
Who was and is and is to come.  
So we raise up holy hands to praise the Holy One,  
Who was and is and is to come.*

Wide is Your love and grace, wide is Your love and grace;  
You never change, You never fail, O God.

You were, You are, You will always be.  
You were, You are, You will always be.

## **Benediction**

## **Musicians**

Ryan Bowles, bass

Liz Guthmann, vocals

John Preston, drums

Charlie Swing, electric guitar

Abigail Van Patter, vocals

Michael Van Patter, acoustic guitar, vocals

## **Song Information**

Down to the River to Pray- 19<sup>th</sup> century traditional spiritual

Motherless Child- 19<sup>th</sup> century African-American spiritual

Rescue- Jered Anderson (2003)

God of My Life- William Cowper (1779), Benj Pocta, Clint Wells, Brian Murphy (2006)  
40- U2 (1983)

Forever—Chris Tomlin (2001)

Unchanging—Chris Tomlin (2002)