

Hope Chapel Greensboro – March 28, 2010

CALLED BY GOD

Welcome & Call to Worship

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.
For by him all things were created:

**Things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities;
all things were created by him and for him.**

He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
And he is the head of the body, the church;

**He is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead,
so that in everything he might have the supremacy.**

For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,
and through him to reconcile to himself all things,

**Whether things on earth or things in heaven,
by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.**

Colossians 1:15-20

Songs of Praise

Immortal, Invisible

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

*You are holy! You are mighty! You are evermore the same!
You are faithful, never changing! All the glory to Your name!*

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee,

Glorious

Look inside the myst'ry, see the empty cross,
See the risen Savior, victorious and strong.
No one else above Him, none as strong to save,
He alone has conquered the power of the grave.

*Glorious, my eyes have seen the glory of the Lord.
Glorious, He stands above the rulers of the earth.
Glorious, glorious, Lord You are glorious!*

Look beyond the tombstone, see the living God
See the resurrected, ruler of my heart.
No one else above Him, none to match His worth,
The hope of His returning gills the universe.

CLEANSED BY GOD

Corporate Confession of Sin

Father in heaven, your word tells us that if we humble ourselves before you, you will lift us up. If we own our brokenness and take responsibility for it, you will heal us. These are your wise and loving words to us.

Yet, we question your ability and desire to embrace and heal us. So we refuse to bring our woundedness and sins to you. We try to deny them, hide them, and minimize them. When this doesn't work, we distract ourselves with overwork, entertainment and pointing out the flaws in others.

So today, we come to you confessing both our sins and our strategies to avoid coming to you with our sins. We have doubted your love, your wisdom and the cross of your dear Son. Embrace us, forgive us and exalt us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

*** time for silent confession ***

Assurance of Forgiveness

Surely he took up our infirmities
and carried our sorrows,
yet we considered him stricken by God,
smitten by him, and afflicted.

But he was pierced for our transgressions,
he was crushed for our iniquities;
the punishment that brought us peace was upon him,
and by his wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 53:4-5

CELEBRATING GOD

Cling to the Crucified

Cling to the Mighty One, cling in thy grief,
Cling to the Holy One, He gives relief.
Cling to the Gracious One, cling in thy pain
Cling to the Faithful One, He will sustain.

*Cling to the crucified, Jesus the Lamb who died,
Cling to the crucified, Jesus the King.
Cling to the crucified, Jesus the Lamb who died,
Cling to the crucified, Jesus the King.*

Cling to the Living One, cling in thy woe,
Cling to the Loving One, through all below.
Cling to the Pardoning One, He speaketh peace,
Cling to the Healing One, anguish will cease.

Cling to the Bleeding One, cling to His side,
Cling to the Rising One, in Him abide.
Cling to the Coming One, hope shall arise,
Cling to the Reigning One, joy lights thine eyes.

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You.

*So here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.
King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly You came to the earth You created,
All for love's sake became poor.*

*And I'll never know how much it cost,
To see my sin upon that cross.
And I'll never know how much it cost,
To see my sin upon that cross.*

CHANGED BY GOD

Joining of New Members

Song

Enough

*You are my supply, my breath of life,
Still more awesome than I know.
You are my reward, worth living for;
Still more awesome than I know.*

*All of You is more than enough for all of me,
For every thirst and every need, You satisfy me with Your love
And all I have in You is more than enough.*

*You're my sacrifice of greatest price,
Still more awesome than I know.
You're the coming King, You are everything,
Still more awesome than I know.*

*More than all I want, more than all I need,
You are more than enough for me!*

Scripture Reading

²⁸Later, knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." ²⁹A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. ³⁰When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

³¹Now it was the day of Preparation, and the next day was to be a special Sabbath. Because the Jews did not want the bodies left on the crosses during the Sabbath, they asked Pilate to have the legs broken and the bodies taken down. ³²The soldiers therefore came and broke the legs of the first man who had been crucified with Jesus, and then those of the other. ³³But when they came to Jesus and found that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. ³⁴Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus' side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water. ³⁵The man who saw it has given testimony, and his testimony is true. He knows that he tells the truth, and he testifies so that you also may believe. ³⁶These things happened so that the scripture would be fulfilled: "Not one of his bones will be broken," ³⁷and, as another scripture says, "They will look on the one they have pierced."

John 19:28-37

Sermon- Jim Osborne

The Passion of Christ || The Cost of Forgiveness

Offering

Song for Reflection

You Did That for Me

I don't have to cry anymore,
I don't have to worry about what's in store.
Walk that road, exhausted and poor,
I don't have to cry anymore.

I don't have to know it all,
I don't have to be so proud and stand so tall.
I climbed that mountain, only to fall,
I don't have to know it all.

You did that for me, You did that for me,
You wore the chains so I could be free,
You did that for me.

I don't have to be ashamed,
Hang my head or shoulder the blame,
Wondering if my life's been in vain;
I don't have to be ashamed.

You did that for me, You did that for me,
You wore the chains so I could be free,
You did that for me.

Man of sorrows, well acquainted with grief,
Drug down to the city dump,
Spread-eagle on the cross beam,
Propped up like a scarecrow, nailed like a thief,
There for all the world to see.

Sending Song

To You Alone

Lost and stranded, empty handed,
Broken down and all alone.
Your mercy it entered into darkness
And enfolded us in love.

We give You all we are for the glory of Your Name,
We give all we are for Your praise.

*Let the earth come to life in the light of heaven's glow,
And the streets sound with joy as the shackles lose their hold.
You laid down Your life for one and all,
So we give all we are to You alone.*

Just a glimmer of Your glory
And the earth falls to its knees.
You level the mountains with a whisper
And You calm the raging seas.

This means freedom for the captive
And good news for those in need.
Your message is justice and compassion
God of love and Prince of Peace.

With one voice we sing hallelujah,
All the earth cry out hallelujah,
With the angels sing hallelujah,
Jesus Christ is King.

Blessing & Sending

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Leading in Worship Today

Jim Osborne, teaching elder
Michael Van Patter, director of worship arts
Ryan Bowles, guitar
Patrick Collins, percussion
Liz Guthmann, vocals
Dana Northrup, vocals
Charlie Swing, electric guitar
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Here I Am to Worship—Tim Hughes (2000)
Enough—Chris Tomlin, Louis Giglio (2004)
You Did That for Me—Pierce Pettis (2000)
To You Alone—Joel Houston, Matt Crocker (2009)