

# Hope Chapel Greensboro – May 23, 2010

**CALLED BY GOD**

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## Welcome & Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord! It is good to sing praises to our God

**All: For he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.**

Leader: The Lord builds up his people; he gathers them together out of exile.

**All: He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.**

Leader: The Lord determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.

**All: Great is our Lord and mighty in power;  
his understanding has no limit.**

Leader: Let us sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;  
make music to our God with instruments and voices.

**All: For he delights in those who fear him,  
who put their hope in his unfailing love.**

From Psalm 147

## Song of Praise

### Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see.  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

### **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.*

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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.

## **CLEANSED BY GOD**

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### **Corporate Confession of Sin**

#### **Be Merciful To Me**

Out from the deep I call to Thee, oh Lord, to Thee.  
Before Thy throne I fall, be merciful to me.

*Be merciful to me, be merciful to me,  
Through shadow dark and valley deep,  
Be merciful to me.*

From the garden to the cross, Thy mercy did endure,  
My soul purged from all dross, in blood made pure.

Thy mercy, Lord, is true as ever truth will be,  
But still I cry for You, be merciful to me.

## Assurance of Forgiveness

If you, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared.  
I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I put my hope.  
My soul waits for the Lord  
    more than watchmen wait for the morning,  
    more than watchmen wait for the morning.  
O Israel, put your hope in the LORD,  
for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption.  
He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.

Psalm 130:3-8

## CELEBRATING GOD

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### Songs of Celebration

#### Nothing But the Blood

What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

*O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow.  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

For my pardon this I see;  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
For my cleansing, this my plea;  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace;  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
This is all my righteousness;  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

#### Amazed

You dance over me while I am unaware,  
You sing all around but I never hear the sound.

*Lord I'm amazed by You, Lord I'm amazed by You,  
Lord I'm amazed by You, how You love me.*

How wide, how deep,  
how great is Your love for me.  
How wide, how deep,  
how great is Your love for me.

## CHANGED BY GOD

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### Prayer of Renewal

### Scripture Reading

<sup>1</sup> The LORD sent Nathan to David. When he came to him, he said, "There were two men in a certain town, one rich and the other poor. <sup>2</sup> The rich man had a very large number of sheep and cattle, <sup>3</sup> but the poor man had nothing except one little ewe lamb he had bought. He raised it, and it grew up with him and his children. It shared his food, drank from his cup and even slept in his arms. It was like a daughter to him.

<sup>4</sup> "Now a traveler came to the rich man, but the rich man refrained from taking one of his own sheep or cattle to prepare a meal for the traveler who had come to him. Instead, he took the ewe lamb that belonged to the poor man and prepared it for the one who had come to him."

<sup>5</sup> David burned with anger against the man and said to Nathan, "As surely as the LORD lives, the man who did this deserves to die! <sup>6</sup> He must pay for that lamb four times over, because he did such a thing and had no pity."

<sup>7</sup> Then Nathan said to David, "You are the man! This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you from the hand of Saul. <sup>8</sup> I gave your master's house to you, and your master's wives into your arms. I gave you the house of Israel and Judah. And if all this had been too little, I would have given you even more. <sup>9</sup> Why did you despise the word of the LORD by doing what is evil in his eyes? You struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and took his wife to be your own. You killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. <sup>10</sup> Now, therefore, the sword will never depart from your house, because you despised me and took the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your own.'

<sup>11</sup> "This is what the LORD says: 'Out of your own household I am going to bring calamity upon you. Before your very eyes I will take your wives and give them to one who is close to you, and he will lie with your wives in broad daylight. <sup>12</sup> You did it in secret, but I will do this thing in broad daylight before all Israel.' "

<sup>13</sup> Then David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD."

Nathan replied, "The LORD has taken away your sin. You are not going to die. <sup>14</sup> But because by doing this you have made the enemies of the LORD show utter contempt, [a] the son born to you will die."

<sup>15</sup> After Nathan had gone home, the LORD struck the child that Uriah's wife had borne to David, and he became ill. <sup>16</sup> David pleaded with God for the child. He fasted and went into his house and spent the nights lying on the ground. <sup>17</sup> The elders of his household stood beside him to get him up from the ground, but he refused, and he would not eat any food with them.

<sup>18</sup> On the seventh day the child died. David's servants were afraid to tell him that the child was dead, for they thought, "While the child was still living, we spoke to David but he would not listen to us. How can we tell him the child is dead? He may do something desperate."

<sup>19</sup> David noticed that his servants were whispering among themselves and he realized the child was dead. "Is the child dead?" he asked.

"Yes," they replied, "he is dead."

<sup>20</sup> Then David got up from the ground. After he had washed, put on lotions and changed his clothes, he went into the house of the LORD and worshiped. Then he went to his own house, and at his request they served him food, and he ate.

<sup>21</sup> His servants asked him, "Why are you acting this way? While the child was alive, you fasted and wept, but now that the child is dead, you get up and eat!"

<sup>22</sup> He answered, "While the child was still alive, I fasted and wept. I thought, 'Who knows? The LORD may be gracious to me and let the child live.' <sup>23</sup> But now that he is dead, why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him, but he will not return to me."

<sup>24</sup> Then David comforted his wife Bathsheba, and he went to her and lay with her. She gave birth to a son, and they named him Solomon. The LORD loved him; <sup>25</sup> and because the LORD loved him, he sent word through Nathan the prophet to name him Jedidiah.

II Samuel 12:1-25

**Sermon-** Todd Jones

Anatomy of Faith | A Faith That Confronts

## Q & A

## Offering

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## 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.

## **Community Life**

### **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**

Todd Jones, lead pastor

Michael Van Patter, director of worship arts

Patrick Collins, drums

Liz Guthmann, vocals

Charlie Swing, electric guitar

### **Song Information**

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness—Thomas Chisholm, William Runyan (1923)

Unchanging—Chris Tomlin (2002)

Be Merciful To Me—Randall Goodgame (2006)

Nothing But the Blood—Robert Lowry (1876)

Amazed—Jared Anderson (2004)

To You Alone—Joel Houston, Matt Crocker (2009)