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🎵 **Prelude**

🎵 **Invocation:** In the name of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit, we worship together on this Sunday Morning.

✝ **一切歌頌讚美 All Praises And Worship**

🎵 All praises and worship Be unto my Lord, my King
You are solely worthy to be praised
We raise our voices
Lifting Your name on high Hallelujah!
🎵 *Praise the Lord, Hallelujah! Oh, Praise the Lord,
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!* x2

✝ **主祢崇高 Be Exalted**

🎵 Oh, Lord! My heart will be stead-fast in You.
I will praise You with all of my soul.
Oh, Lord! My heart will be stead-fast in You.
Lift up my hands, to Your ho-ly place.
🎵 Be e-xal-ted a-bove all hea-vens.
For You've done great things for all Your peo-ple.
Let Your glo-ry be a-bove the earth.
All that I am, ne-ver ceases to re-joyce in You.

✝ **主祢是我力量 You are My Strength**

🎵 You are my life, You are my song
You're my salvation, when all my hope is gone

As the mountains surround Jerusalem
Your presence surrounds me the same
You are my strength, oh Lord, You are my shield,
my song
My solid rock, on You I stand, I trust in You
You are my strength, oh Lord, You are my hiding
place
You are my hope I trust in You

🎵 **Responsive Reading: Psalm 47**

1. Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.
2. For the Lord Most High is awesome, the great King over all the earth.
3. He subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet.
4. He chose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.
5. God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets.
6. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.
7. For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.
8. God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.
9. The nobles of the nations assemble as the people of the God of Abraham, for the kings of the earth belong to God; he is greatly exalted.

🎵 **Praise**

✝ **信徒齊來頌主 Come, Christians, Join to Sing**

🎵 Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice,
Before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!
🎵 Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend;
To us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!
🎵 Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain;
Alleluia! Amen! On heaven's blissful shore,
His goodness we'll adore, Singing forevermore,
"Alleluia! Amen!"

🎵 **Special Music**

✝ **尊貴大君王 Sovereign Majesty**

🎵 In splendor you rule the nations,
every planet and star, all of creation.
Nothing that is was there before, ere time began,
You were the Lord.
🎵 And who can sit upon your throne?
The omniscient, sufficient, God alone.
No choice to make, no place to stand.
We bow before the only King in the land.
🎵 *O Sovereign Majesty!

Your matchless grace transcends the span of time and endless space.

No other god can claim your glorious throne.

In regal splendor you reign alone*

♪ The winds of the earth form the train of your robe
To make your scepter, the planets align
And every star becomes the jewels of your crown,
And we, your servants, will bow down,
We will bow down, **

♪ Let every creature bend its knee
before your sovereign majesty
We bow down before (your majesty) x2

🔗Scripture Reading:

Est 4: ¹⁵Then Esther sent this reply to Mordecai: ¹⁶"Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my maids will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish." ¹⁷So Mordecai went away and carried out all of Esther's instructions.

🔗Sermon: Persevere with The Valor & Wisdom of The Heavenly Kingdom

---Minister Tung

I. Charisma of a Queen

1. Confluent with the trend or redirect the popular opinion?

【Est 2: ¹⁵When the turn came for Esther (the girl Mordecai had adopted, the daughter of his uncle Abihail) to go to the king, she asked for nothing other than what Hegai, the king's eunuch who was in charge of the harem, suggested. And Esther won the favor of everyone who saw her. **】**

Worldly torrents quickly wash off and engulf anyone standing in its flow, let alone anyone trying to redirect the flow. Esther had the charismatic courage: she had the wisdom, could refuse and persevere, and overcome adversary conditions. Children of the Lord have the charisma for swimming against the torrents, to succeed in adversity; they have the valor and wisdom for living in the heavenly kingdom.

2. Take or evade the responsibility:

【Est 4:16】 Being the queen, her safety is secured, and as a human who doesn't try his best to avoid severe punishment? However, Esther had the guts to opt to confront challenges from the mainstream authority, with the determination 'if I perish, I perish'. Such charisma is characteristic of God's children—do what is right.

3. Safeguard or sacrifice oneself?

【Est 5: ¹On the third day Esther put on her royal robes and stood in the inner court of the palace, in front of the king's hall. The king

was sitting on his royal throne in the hall, facing the entrance. ... ⁷Esther replied, "My petition and my request is this: **】**

Being selfish and self-protection is human nature, but Esther chose to save her Jewish people carried into exile at the risk of her own life. Jesus said "whoever loses his life for my sake will find it"

【Mat 10:39 Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it. **】** . Reflect now whom can I protect, shelter, support, or help even at my loss?

4. Being attacked or counterattack? **【Est 9:22**

as the time when the Jews got relief from their enemies, and as the month when their sorrow was turned into joy and their mourning into a day of celebration. He wrote them to observe the days as days of feasting and joy and giving presents of food to one another and gifts to the poor. **】**

Up to the time point when the king met Esther at the second banquet the lives of the Jews were still under the king's earlier order to destroy, kill and annihilate all the Jews--young and old, women and little children--on a single day. Esther had the guts and wisdom to rebut her enemy and reverse the fatal fate of her Jewish people. Rise and combat against our enemies, the Lord is with us and His promises are with us, we have the needed weapons and power for obtaining the ultimate victory!

II. Merits of the Queen

1. Covet for nothing: **【Est 2:15** When the turn came for Esther (the girl Mordecai had adopted, the daughter of his uncle Abihail) to go to the king, she asked for nothing other than what Hegai, the king's eunuch who was in charge of the harem, suggested. And Esther won the favor of everyone who saw her. **】**

A man without selfish desire can handle all conditions without fear or favor, a man filled with selfish desires will not stand. Before Esther's turn came to go into King Xerxes, she had applied only the routine beauty treatments prescribed for the women; and when she finally met the king, she asked from the king for nothing more than what was more than rudimentary. She needed no extra decoration, pretty garments or cosmetics to add her beauty!

2. Consistently obedient: **【Esther 2:** ²⁰But Esther had kept secret her family background and nationality just as Mordecai had told her to do, for she continued to follow Mordecai's instructions as she had done when he was bringing her up. ... ²²But Mordecai found out about the plot and told Queen Esther, who in

turn reported it to the king, giving credit to Mordecai. **4:13** he sent back this answer: "Do not think that because you are in the king's house you alone of all the Jews will escape.】 Whether as one of many harems in the king's palace, or being promoted as the Queen, her lowly or prominent position had been consistently being herself — obedient and compliant with valor and wisdom. Her merits made her stand out from the other harems and became selected Queen!

3. Love is power: 【**Est 4:16, 7:3** Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have found favor with you, O king, and if it pleases your majesty, grant me my life--this is my petition. And spare my people--this is my request. **8:6** For how can I bear to see disaster fall on my people? How can I bear to see the destruction of my family?"】

What made Esther overcome her fear of being put to death by making her appearance in front of the king without being summoned by the king was her fervent love for her family, relatives, and Jewish people; aided with her wisdom and valor she put the urgent matter to action — we can do all things through the love from Jesus!

4. Fast and vigilantly pray: 【**4:16, 5:3** Then the king asked, "What is it, Queen Esther? What is your request? Even up to half the kingdom, it will be given you." **7:2** and as they were drinking wine on that second day, the king again asked, "Queen Esther, what is your petition? It will be given you. What is your request? Even up to half the kingdom, it will be granted."】

Esther didn't impetuously make her request and petition to the king, through her whole tribes' three-day fast and vigilant prayer she had the guts and wisdom to raise her request and petition to the king at the right moment. It is right time in 2022 that we practice and maneuver our battle line of fasting and praying!

5. Carry out completely: 【**8:5** "If it pleases the king," she said, "and if he regards me with favor and thinks it the right thing to do, and if he is pleased with me, let an order be written overruling the dispatches that Haman son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, devised and wrote to destroy the Jews in all the king's provinces. **8:14** The couriers, riding the royal horses, raced out, spurred on by the king's command. And the edict was also issued in the citadel of Susa. **9:13** "If it pleases the king," Esther answered, "give the Jews in Susa permission to carry out this day's edict tomorrow also, and let

Haman's ten sons be hanged on gallows."】 Esther grasped the best opportunity to completely wipe out Jew's enemies. Today, we are fighting against the old world, Satan, our old selves, and our fighting must be carried out completely; we must build strongholds in our battlelines of spirituality, praying, truth, and services; we can only win the battle through our persistency to the end!

6. Pass on thanksgiving as an everlasting decree 【**Est 9:** ²⁹So Queen Esther, daughter of Abihail, along with Mordecai the Jew, wrote with full authority to confirm this second letter concerning Purim. ³⁰And Mordecai sent letters to all the Jews in the 127 provinces of the kingdom of Xerxes--words of goodwill and assurance-- ³¹to establish these days of Purim at their designated times, as Mordecai the Jew and Queen Esther had decreed for them, and as they had established for themselves and their descendants in regard to their times of fasting and lamentation. ³²Esther's decree confirmed these regulations about Purim, and it was written down in the records.】
Esther and Mordecai set down an very good example by continuing the celebration they had begun, doing what Mordecai had written to them — a two-day celebration of days of Purim.

☞ Responsive Hymn

❖ 向耶和華歌唱 Sing to the Jehovah

- ♪ Shall not be afraid, chosen people
But lift up your head-s high
Clouds, fire surround thee alone
You have God to trust in
Brave soldiers fight for the Lord
Raise your hands to proclaim
The river ceased; the sea is dry
God's mighty power is displayed
- ♪ *I will sing to Jehovah, yeh,
my salvation and my portion*
He is God Almighty, eternal God,
All breaths coming from Him
- ♪ **He delivers us from Satan
and be king to forevermore

☞ Announcement

1. This Sunday (Mar. 13th) at 10:30 am is our Beautiful Life Online Sharing “Sunshine after The Cancer - Testimony of Sister Luo”. Next Sunday is “The Love Higher Than Sky - Testimony of Brother Liu” Welcome brothers and sisters to invite family and friends to attend the events on our YouTube channel.
2. The flyers of the Easter events and service had been published, welcome brothers and sisters to

deliver them to your family, friends, and those who are in need.

3. Encounter with God camp will be held on Mar. 20th at 13:00 (5th floor). The camp is for brothers and sisters who want to deeply encounter with God and experience the refreshing from Lord. Welcome all the brothers and sisters to join the event.
4. Children Sunday School will hold “Nostalgic Toys from Childhood” on Mar. 20th from 13:00pm at 5th floor. Welcome all the children aged 3-11 years old to attend the activity.
5. The new semester of Happiness GO-GO courses will start from Mar 22nd separately. The courses including ukulele basic class, ukulele playing & singing class, guitar class, elders singing class, bakery class, Japanese basic class, easy cooking after work class (new). Due to limited seating capacity, please invite unbelievers as priority and do register the courses online first.
6. The Bible Reading Plan this week is **2 Kings 7-9**. Hope we all root our faith in God’s words. We could all go listening to Pastor Hsu’s daily preaching in the radio program “The Book of Ephesians” on Good News Broadcasting Association (FM 90.9).
7. If you are looking for someone to pray for you or you want to know more about Jesus, please scan the QR code of the “Prayer and Devotion Form 代禱與決志表”. We will contact you as soon as possible to pray for you and introduce the Gospel to you.

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☞ Offertory

☞ Baptism

☞ The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed by Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

☞ Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye

heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

☞ Benediction

May the grace from Lord Jesus, the love from our heavenly Father and the guiding of Holy Spirit be with all of our brothers & sisters from now on and forevermore.

Today, our worship service together is coming to an end. Emmanuel! May our good Lord bless you!