



 **Jesus Loves You International Convention Center**

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☞ **Prelude**

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

† **我們又在一起 We're Together Again**

♪ We're together again praising the Lord
 We're together again in one accord
 Something good is going to happen
 Something good is in store
 We're together again praising the Lord

† **耶和華為我們行了大事 The Lord Has Done Great Things for Us**

♪ The Lord has done great things for us
 We're filled with laughter, our tongues singing
 The Lord has done great things for us
 and we are filled with joy
 ♪ He is able to do more than we ask or imagine
 According to his mighty power that is at work
 within us
 Those who sow in tears shall all reap in joy
 He who goes out and sow in tears
 will return with songs of joy
 carrying sheaves with him

† **君王就在這裡 Worthy Is The King**

♪ Jesus, my King. You're seated on the throne
 Hallelujah. Your glory fills this place.
 ♪ Sing, worthy is the King. We offer all our praise.
 Crown You Lord of lords. Give glory to Your name.
 ♪ Sing, worthy is the King. You're robed in majesty.
 Hosanna unto the glorious King of kings.
 ♪ Higher and higher, we lift Your holy name.
 Higher and higher, we lift a shout of praise.
 Louder and louder, declare that You are Lord.
 until that day, I see You face to face.

☞ **Responsive Reading: Psalm 86:6-12**

6. Hear my prayer, Lord; listen to my cry for mercy.
 7. When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me.
 8. Among the gods there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours.
 9. All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name.
 10. For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.
 11. Teach me your way, Lord, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.
 12. I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever.

☞ **Praise**

† **榮耀大君王 O Worship the King**

♪ O worship the King all glorious above
 O gratefully sing His power and His love
 Our Shield and Defender the Ancient of Days
 Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise
 ♪ O tell of His might O sing of His grace
 Whose robe is the light whose canopy space
 His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form
 And dark is His path on the wings of the storm
 ♪ Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite
 It breathes in the air it shines in the light
 It streams from the hills it descends to the plain
 And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain
 ♪ Frail children of dust and feeble as frail
 In Thee do we trust nor find Thee to fail
 Thy mercies how tender how firm to the end
 Our Maker Defender Redeemer and Friend

☞ **Special Music**

† **信心的旅程 The Journey of Faith**

♪ We walk by faith. We live in hope.
 With every step we take, we trust in God alone.
 We hold to Christ. He leads us on.
 He is our Shepherd, ever faithful, ever strong.
 ♪ And when we lose our way or when our footsteps roam.
 His heart will find us. His grace will lead us home.
 Across the mountains high or through the valleys deep.
 He leads us onward.
 His love is all we need.

Till we reach the Promised Land, we will trust his guiding hand.

We'll live in hope and walk by faith.

The road is rising up before us.

We all are part of God's glorious plan.

His grace has given us a future.

Now we are bound for the Promised Land.

And though the road ahead is long and winding, the cross goes on before us as our guide.

We know the journey is not over, for there are mountains left to climb.

For there are mountain left to climb.

♪ We walk by faith. We live in hope.

With every step we take, we trust in God alone.

We hold to Christ. He leads us on.

He lead us onward. His love is all we need! Till we reach the promised land, we will trust His guiding hand.

We live in hope and walk by faith. We live in hope!

We walk b faith.

☞Scripture Reading:

Gen 12:1 The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you.

13:14 The LORD said to Abram after Lot had parted from him, "Lift up your eyes from where you are and look north and south, east and west.

17:1 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to him and said, "I am God Almighty; walk before me and be blameless.

☞Sermon: The Origin of the Lord's Miracles Encounter and Follow the Lord's Word

---Pastor Hsu

All miracles starts with meeting the Lord. How did Abraham meet the Lord?

I. Put your faith in the Lord and follow all commands from Him

1. Turn your back on all idols and images:

【Gen 12: 1, 2】"I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." **Jos 24:2** Joshua said to all the people, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'Long ago your forefathers, including Terah the father of Abraham and Nahor, lived beyond the River and worshiped other gods. **Act 7:2** To this he replied: "Brothers and fathers, listen to me! The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham while he was still in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran.】

The Lord instruct Abraham to leave his father's gods and his legacy of an easy and secured lifestyle, and start a tour guided by the Lord.

2. Follow the Lord's instructions by faith. **【Heb 11:8** By faith Abraham, when called to go to a

place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. **Gen 12:7** The LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built an altar there to the LORD, who had appeared to him.】 Abraham responded to the Lord's calling with pure faith even though he did not know where he was going, he started on his journey bravely and unhesitatingly; the Lord appeared to him with a comforting promise and he built an altar there to the LORD.

II. Sacrifice for the sake of love

1. make concession and engagement in war for the sake of love**【Gen 13: 8**So Abram said to Lot, "Let's not have any quarreling between you and me, or between your herdsmen and mine, for we are brothers. ⁹Is not the whole land before you? Let's part company. If you go to the left, I'll go to the right; if you go to the right, I'll go to the left." ¹⁰Lot looked up and saw that the whole plain of the Jordan was well watered, like the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, toward Zoar. (This was before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.) ¹¹So Lot chose for himself the whole plain of the Jordan and set out toward the east. The two men parted company: ... 14. **Gen 14: 12**They also carried off Abram's nephew Lot and his possessions, since he was living in Sodom. ... ¹⁴When Abram heard that his relative had been taken captive, he called out the 318 trained men born in his household and went in pursuit as far as Dan. ... ¹⁶He recovered all the goods and brought back his relative Lot and his possessions, together with the women and the other people. ... ²³that I will accept nothing belonging to you, not even a thread or the thong of a sandal, so that you will never be able to say, 'I made Abram rich.'】

As Abraham's herds and flocks multiply in population the land could not support them while they stayed together. Abraham gave Lot the privilege of choosing his desired territory for dwelling and herding animals, and Lot took the well-watered plain of the Jordan. Abraham valued his kinship more than his own welfare or advantage. Upon Lot's captivity under the four kings' alliance, Abraham rescued Lot with all his properties; he declined properties awarded by the king of Sodom to remain unconnected with pagans.

2. The Lord awarded Abraham twice as much prosperity **【Gen 13: 14, 15**All the land that you see I will give to you and your offspring forever. ¹⁶I will make your offspring like the dust of the earth, so that if anyone could count the dust, then your offspring could be counted. **Psm 18: 25**To the faithful you show yourself faithful, to the blameless you show yourself blameless, ²⁶to

the pure you show yourself pure, but to the crooked you show yourself shrewd.】

After Lot had parted company with Abraham, the Lord appeared to him and proclaimed blessing and promise on Abraham and his offspring! While Lot opted for visible worldly advantage, Abraham opted for obeying the Lord as his inheritance and he became prosperous twice as much!

3. The Lord was Abraham's shield and reward:

【**Gen 15:1** After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward." **Mat 25:40** "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'】

After Abraham had defeated the four kings' alliance, the Lord came to him with the assurance that HE will be his shield and reward encouraging him to march on fearlessly! He declined reward from the king of Sodom so the Lord will reward him by HIS measure! Our love shown to the least of our brothers is praised by the Lord and HE will reward such an act of love!

III. Cut off our weakness

1. Abraham had fallen weak over his

barrenness 【**Gen 16:** ²so she said to Abram, "The LORD has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my maidservant; perhaps I can build a family through her." Abram agreed to what Sarai said. ... ⁴He slept with Hagar, and she conceived. When she knew she was pregnant, she began to despise her mistress. ... ¹²He will be a wild donkey of a man; his hand will be against everyone and everyone's hand against him, and he will live in hostility toward all his brothers."】

The Lord had granted Abraham a son more than a decade earlier, now that he and his wife are both quite aged, they thought that they might "assist" the Lord to realize the Lord's promise of giving him a son through a maidservant; doing so resulted in his disgrace and impurity, familial inharmony, and long-term global wrestling.

2. The Lord Almighty appeared to remind and reassure Abraham of HIS covenant: 【**Gen 17:**

1, ²I will confirm my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers." ... ⁵No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations.】

God appeared to Abraham reminding him to walk before the Lord Almighty blamelessly and wholeheartedly with faith. God gave him the new name Abraham raising him from an exalted father to a father of many; upon our repentance from weakness we can become people's solace and blessing.

IV. The Lord has done great things for us

1. **God exert judgement:** 【**Gen 18:** ²⁰Then the LORD said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous ²¹that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know." **Isa 41:8** "But you, O Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, you descendants of Abraham my friend, **Jas 2:23** And the scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness," and he was called God's friend. **Jhn 15:15** I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.】

People lived in Sodom had been vicious and the Lord did not conceal to Abraham that HE was about to judge Sodom, for Abraham was deemed as a friend in the Lord's eyes!

2. **Take part in the heavenly kingdom:** 【**Gen 18:32** Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?" He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it." **19:29** So when God destroyed the cities of the plain, he remembered Abraham, and he brought Lot out of the catastrophe that overthrew the cities where Lot had lived. **Act 1:8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."】

Abraham prayed for Lot to the Lord, and Lot was saved. In the days of the New Testament we are called to widely spread the gospel, this is our greatest mission!

V. Pass the test and be glorified

1. **God commanded an impossible mission** 【**Gen 22:** ¹Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. ²Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about."】 The Lord commanded Abraham to sacrifice his only son to HIM, why did the Lord make this seemingly discordant command?

2. **Manifest incredible faith:** 【**Gen 22:** ³Early the next morning Abraham got up and saddled his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. ... ⁸Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together. ... ¹⁰Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called out to him

from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. ¹²"Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son." ¹³Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called that place The LORD Will Provide. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided." **Heb 11:** ¹⁷By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had received the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son, ¹⁸even though God had said to him, "It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned." ¹⁹Abraham reasoned that God could raise the dead, and figuratively speaking, he did receive Isaac back from death. **Rom 4:17** As it is written: "I have made you a father of many nations." He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed--the God who gives life to the dead and calls things that are not as though they were.】

Abraham did not hesitate in starting his trip of pilgrimage to Moriah, being faithful that the Lord will prepare for him an object of sacrifice. Why did the Lord test Abraham? For Abraham had faith in the Lord that HE could revive his son from death, he believed that the God who gives life to the dead and calls things that are not as though they were. Through this test, the Lord could reward him with honor and the honorable title "father of faith"!

The Lord spared Abraham's only son Isaac from being sacrificed, HE did not spare the only son of HIS for completing HIS plan of salvation for the mankind! Fix your vision on Jesus Christ in your sufferings, the Lord wants to profit you through suffering so that you may be rewarded with holiness and glory! **【1Pe 1:** ⁶In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷These have come so that your faith--of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire--may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. **1Pe 4:** ¹Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because he who has suffered in his body is done with sin. ... ¹³But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed.】

🔊 Responsive Hymn

❖我全心跟隨祢 We Wholly Follow You

♪ We worship You in holy place
Inspire us to seek Your face

Jesus we want to know You more
♪ (We wholly follow You! We wholly follow You!
Teach us Your ways and show us Your heart
We lay down our lives just for You)x2

🔊 Announcement

1. This morning's Beautiful Life Lecture Series is themed "Wake Up From a Dream – The Story of Sister Ho", which is widely invited to relatives and friends. Please scan the QR Code or refer to the link below. <https://thfc.pse.is/miracles>
2. Next Sunday will be celebration worship service with touching hymns, testimony, and bible preach at 8:30 and 10:30. Welcome brothers and sister to invite family and friends to join the service.
3. The Church launches the different "Happiness Express - Online Gospel Pack" every week. This week's theme is "Paise", which includes 18 hymns made by CTFHC and 18 short hymns and please feel free to pass on to relatives and friends. Please refer to the link below. <https://thfc.pse.is/Jesuslovesyou>
4. Children Fellowship will hold a special activity on July 24 (Sun) at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. introducing the culture of Africa. Children from the ages of 4 to the fifth grade of elementary school are all welcomed to participate. Please refer to the link below. <https://thfc.pse.is/kidff>
5. Cultivation Center will hold "bible study" on August 1st to 3rd. the topic is "A key of Blessing-Love Church". Please refer to the link below and register. https://thfc.pse.is/Bible_camp
6. The new season of online Bible Study Courses will start on 7/10 (Sunday class) and 7/13 (Wednesday class). Please refer to the link below and register. <https://thfc.pse.is/sschool>
7. The Bible Reading Plan this week is **2 Ch. 7-9**. Hope we all root our faith in God's words.

🔊 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.