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☞ **Prelude**

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

† **早晨唱新歌**

It's a Morning of New Song

♪ It's a morning of new song,
It's a morning to rejoice
In the Lord's loving kindness
And to lift up my voice
To sing hallelujah, right from the start
And to glorify Jesus
Morning Star of my heart

† **揚聲歡呼讚美 Shout for Joy And Sing**

♪ Shout for joy and sing your praises to the King
Lift your voice high, let your Hallelujahs ring
Come before His throne to worship and adore
Enter joyfully the presence of the Lord

(*) Chorus :

♪ You're the Creator, You're the Deliverer
You're my Redeemer. You're the Lord,
and You're my Healer, You are my Provider
You are my shepherd and my guide
Jesus, Lord and King, I worship You

† **主我敬拜祢 Lord, I Worship You**

♪ Lord, I worship You, I bow down to worship You
Lord, I worship You, I fall down to worship You
The host of heaven worship You,
the angles surround Your Throne
Lord, I lift up my hands, I fall down to worship You

☞ **Responsive Reading: Psalm 103**

¹ Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being,
praise his holy name.
² Praise the LORD, my soul,
and forget not all his benefits
⁸ The LORD is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
⁹ He will not always accuse,
nor will he harbor his anger forever;
¹⁰ he does not treat us as our sins deserve
or repay us according to our iniquities.
¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him;
¹² as far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.
¹³ As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who fear
him
²² Praise the LORD, all his works
everywhere in his dominion.
Praise the LORD, my soul.

☞ **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**

† **耶穌的愛何等深廣**

O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

♪ O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me
O underneath me, all around me
Is the current of Thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward
To my glorious home above
♪ (O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus)*2
Spread His praise from shore to shore
O how He loves, how He ever loveth,

Changeth nevermore
How He watches over His loved ones
Died to call them all His own
How for them He intercedeth
Watching over His children from the throne

♪ O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Love of every love the best
Tis an ocean vast of blessing
Tis a haven sweet of rest

♪ O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Tis a heaven of heavens to me
And it lifts me up to glory

For it lifts me up to Thee

(O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus)*2

Deep, Deep Love

☞ Scripture Reading:

Psalms 139

[7] Where can I go from your Spirit?

Where can I flee from your presence?

[16] Your eyes saw my unformed body;

all the days ordained for me were written in your
book before one of them came to be.

[17] How precious to me are your thoughts, God!

How vast is the sum of them!

[23] Search me, God, and know my heart;

test me and know my anxious thoughts.

[24] See if there is any offensive way in me,

and lead me in the way everlasting.

☞ Sermon: Seriously, sometimes I want to hide away.

---Pastor Hsu

At times when there are wicked people and comments and immense pressure around me, I want to hide away, and rational help is limited....

I. God Knows:

Under immense pressure, he insists on coming to God, and there he experiences God!

1. Omniscient v1-6

¹ You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.

² You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

³ You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

⁴ Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely.

⁵ You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.

⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

1) God knows **every space**: when I sit and rise v2!

2) God knows **every situation**: discern my going down and lying down; familiar with all my ways v3!

3) God knows **every sound**: before a word is on my tongue, God knows it already v4! God knows our wordless groans and lack of strength.

2. Unavoidable v8-12

⁸ If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

⁹ If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,

¹⁰ even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

¹¹ If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,"

¹² even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day,

for darkness is as light to you.

1) God is with us **in heaven and depth**: up the heavens and down the depths, God is there and He reigns. God reigns supreme in our successes and failures and life and death. Jesus remains victorious over death! v8

2) God is with us **in the extreme**: God sustains us even when we hide in the uttermost parts of the world! v9
Jonah hides from God

Jonah 1:1-4, 17; 4:6-8, 10

¹ The word of the LORD came to Jonah son of Amittai:

² "Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me."

³ But Jonah ran away from the LORD and headed for Tarshish. He went down to Joppa, where he found a ship bound for that port. After paying the fare, he went aboard and sailed for Tarshish to flee from the LORD.

⁴ Then the LORD sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up.

¹⁷ Now the LORD provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

⁶ Then the LORD God provided a leafy plant and made it grow up over Jonah to give shade for his head to ease his discomfort, and Jonah was very happy about the plant.

⁷ But at dawn the next day God provided a worm, which chewed the plant so that it withered.

⁸ When the sun rose, God provided a scorching east wind, and the sun blazed on Jonah's head so that he grew faint. He

wanted to die, and said, “It would be better for me to die than to live.”

¹⁰ But the LORD said, “You have been concerned about this plant, though you did not tend it or make it grow. It sprang up overnight and died overnight.

- 3) God is with us **in the darkness**: The dark crushes over me, but darkness is not dark to God; He knows our “darkest” secrets/needs. v11-12

Elijah

1 Kings 19:3-4, 12

³ Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there,
⁴ while he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. “I have had enough, LORD,” he said. “Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.”
¹² After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper.

II. God’s Will: Seeing from His mindset

1. God knits v13-15

- ¹³ For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb.
¹⁴ I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.
¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

Our inmost being and our inner thoughts are made in God’s image;
God knit and wove me while I was in my mother’s womb;
He is a harmonizing designer.

2. God writes v16

- ¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

God sees our unformed body, and records our daily lives in His book;
Whatever we encounter, whether joy or sorrow, is all under His omnipotent provision!

3. God’s vast plans

Psalms 139:17-18

- ¹⁷ How precious to me are your

thoughts, God!

How vast is the sum of them!

- ¹⁸ Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand— when I awake, I am still with you.

Jeremiah 29:11

- ¹¹ For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Psalms 17:15

- ¹⁵ As for me, I will be vindicated and will see your face; when I awake, I will be satisfied with seeing your likeness.

God’s thoughts are precious; He plans to give me hope and a future; the plans are vast and yet He counts them.
Grace and mercy fill us once were awake and in all we experience.

- ⁸ If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

- ¹¹ If I say, “Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,”
²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

In the end, there are the depths, darkness, and everlasting. God points us towards eternity, once we die, He will raise us to see Him and forever be with Him.

III. God Heals:

1. Judges the wicked v19-20

- ¹⁹ Oh that you would slay the wicked, O God! O men of blood, depart from me!
²⁰ They speak against you with malicious intent; your enemies take your name in vain.

While being surrounded by wicked people and evil intentions, we can see God’s work and judgement.

David experiences being chased by Saul and Absalom and God saves him in both situations.

2. Removes evil hearts v21-24

- ²¹ Do I not hate those who hate you, O LORD? And do I not loathe those who rise up against you?
²² I hate them with complete hatred; I count them my enemies.

- ²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
²⁴ And see if there be any grievous way in
me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

David hates the wicked; he is sensitive to evil; he knows the allure of sin.

He asks God to search him, know his heart, try him, and know his thoughts.

We need to be cautious of the influence of the wicked; we ought not to treat the wicked like they treat others, otherwise we may become one of them too.

“See the wicked, think about myself, purify my heart!”

3. Lead to everlasting **v24, 5, 10**

- ²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.
⁵ You hem me in behind and before,
and you lay your hand upon me.
¹⁰ even there your hand will guide me,
your right hand will hold me fast.

May God lead me in the way of the everlasting, lay His hand on me, sustain me with His right hand, the same hands that created the heavens and earth and were nailed on the cross!

The earthquakes and the pandemic help us realize that the world and all its desires will pass away, but only those in God will live forever! Don't lie our treasures on earth but store them in heaven!

☞ Responsive Hymn

† 詩篇 139 Psalm 139

God You know me
You perceive my thoughts from afar
Lord You love me
You hem me in behind and before
Where can I go from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?
You discern my going out and my lying down
You are familiar with all of my ways.
[Chorus]
If I rise on the wings of the dawn,
if I settle on the far side of sea
Your hand will guide me, and will hold me fast.
Your works are wonderful
My heart praise You for Your deeds
Search me, God, and know my heart
and lead me in the way everlasting
Your works are wonderful
My heart praise You for Your deeds
Oh Lord! Test me and know my anxious thoughts

guide me on the path of eternal life

☞ Announcement

1. The Beautiful Life Lecture Series of this week is themed " Walk through The Epidemic with God–The Story of Brother Wu". Please invite our relatives and friends to watch it. Please scan the QR Code or refer to the link below.
<https://thfc.pse.is/miracles>
2. The Cultivation Center will hold the Encounter with God Camp at 1:00 p.m. on September 25th (Sun) at the Morning Star Hall on the 5th floor. All the brothers and sisters are welcome to register on the spot.
3. The Bible Reading Plan this week is **Ezra 1-3**. 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).

☞ 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!