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

For Chinese Pinyin lyrics, please scan:



☞ 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

☞ 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

☞ 唯有耶穌 **Jesus, You Can**

♪ Jesus, You can make the blind man see
Jesus, You can heal broken hearts
Jesus, You can set captives free
You make all things possible

♪ You reign on high in heaven and on earth
You are the One who calms the raging seas
You turn water into wine
You do miracles in life
Jesus, no one compares to You

☞**Responsive Reading: Psalm 149:1-9**

1 Praise the LORD. Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of his faithful people.

2 Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King.

3 Let them praise his name with dancing and make music to him with timbrel and harp.

4 For the LORD takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with victory.

5 Let his faithful people rejoice in this honor and sing for joy on their beds.

6 May the praise of God be in their mouths and a double-edged sword in their hands,

7 to inflict vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,

8 to bind their kings with fetters, their nobles with shackles of iron,

9 to carry out the sentence written against them— this is the glory of all his faithful people. Praise the LORD.

☞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

☞ 頌主大愛 **Sweeter as The Years Go By**

♪ (Oh, the love of our Savior, It's so amazing,
standing here before Jesus in Nazareth,
It's so astonishing, how someone like me,
Can receive the great love of the Lord,
so pure and free. It's wonderful, it's marvelous,
forever I'll sing, His love is so incredible,
it makes my heart ring.)

♪ He took all my worries, all my troubles, He bore,
 All my sins and debts, He carried, and more,
 He walked up that hill to Calvary's hill,
 He gave up His life, without any ill will.
 Oh, He suffered and died just for me, How amazing,
 how marvelous, His love sets me free,
 I'll sing of His love forever, with glee,
 His love is so incredible, it's plain to see. ()

♪ He redeemed us, His people, in glory we stand,
 In His presence, we're joyful, hand in hand,
 We'll praise His love, it will never cease,
 How wonderful, how marvelous,
 His love brings us peace.
 I'll sing of His love forevermore,
 His love is so incredible, it's what we adore. ()

♪ He loves me, oh, He loves me, Our Savior's love,
 for all to see, It's so incredible, His love sets us free,
 His love is amazing, for all eternity.

🔑 Scripture Reading:

Joshua 7:3, 5

3 Later, the men came back to Joshua. They said, “Ai is a weak area. We will not need all of our people to defeat them. Send 2000 or 3000 men to fight there. There is no need to use the whole army. There are only a few men there to fight against us.”

5 The people of Ai beat them badly. When the people from Israel saw this, they became very frightened and lost their courage.

Numbers 14:1, 35

1 That night all the people in the camp began shouting loudly.

35 “I am the Lord, and I have spoken. And I promise that I will do these things to all these evil people. They have come together against me. So they will all die here in this desert.”

2 Samuel 11:2

2 One evening he got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of his house. From there he saw a woman bathing. She was very beautiful,

2 Samuel 12:10

10 So your family will never have peace! When you took Uriah’s wife, you showed that you did not respect me.’

Ezekiel 20:8

8 But they turned against me and refused to listen to me. They did not throw away their horrible idols. They did not leave their filthy statues in Egypt. So I decided to destroy them in Egypt—to let them feel the full force of my anger.

Ezekiel 23:49

49 They will punish you for the wicked things you did. You will be punished for worshiping your filthy idols. Then you will know that I am the Lord God.”

Sermon: Choosing Our Path

– Minister Dung

One: Pride and Prayer Joshua 7:3, 5

1. Facing Defeat: In the story of Jericho and Ai, we see how overconfidence led to a humiliating defeat. The people of Ai seemed insignificant, so the Israelites didn't even pray for guidance. The result was a shift from victory to defeat. The lesson here is that neglecting prayer leads to downfall.

2. Avoiding Disaster: Prayer is a privilege, a hotline to God, and a powerful weapon. Regular, heartfelt, and earnest prayers are essential. Let's remember that in every situation, prayer is our key to success.

Two: Accountability and Belief Numbers 14:1, 35

1. Embracing Trouble: The Israelites in the wilderness often complained and doubted despite witnessing miracles. They quickly turned away from faith when faced with challenges. The consequence was wandering, disease, and even death. Not believing can be our greatest disaster.

2. Seeking Blessings: True faith doesn't rely on appearances or feelings. Saints stand strong in faith, trusting in God's truth and battling through prayer. With unshakable faith, we can overcome hardships and walk in God's blessings.

Three: Consequences of Choices

2 Samuel 11:2, 2 Samuel 12:10

1. Falling into Temptation: King David's sin with Bathsheba shows how seeking personal pleasure can lead to disaster. Despite God's immense blessings, he chose to sin, inviting suffering and judgment. We must be cautious of our desires and actions.

2. Pursuing Discipline: David's success came from his discipline and dependence on God. Rising early, seeking God's guidance, and living a disciplined life led him to victory. Discipline equals efficiency, and self-control leads to triumph.

Four: Idolatry and Redemption

Ezekiel 20:8, Ezekiel 23:49

1. Temptation's Trap: Idols like desires, pleasures, and materialism allure us away from God. We might hide secret idols, but God sees all. God's warnings are at our doorstep, urging us to awaken from spiritual slumber.

2. Breaking Free: Satan aims to drain our lives and leave us in despair. But today, we can turn to God.

Let's ask for forgiveness, empowerment, and strength.
Let's confront and destroy idols, rejecting their hold.
Today, we can choose life or death.

🌀 Responsive Hymn

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Brave soldiers fight for the Lord
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God's mighty power is displayed
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He is God Almighty, eternal God,
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🌀 Announcement

1. This morning, there's a series of talks called "Beautiful Life," and today's topic is "Wholeheartedly to You - Brother Yeh's Life Story" (Part 1). We invite everyone to ask their non-believing friends and family to watch it with us.
2. The "Autumn and Winter Happiness GOGO Course" is now open for registration. We encourage all brothers and sisters to invite their non-believing friends and family to sign up. Please also pray for the course and its participants.
3. The church is getting uniforms for all members, available in different colors and sizes. Please help us by filling out the form so we can keep track. Each form should be filled out for one person. If you're assisting someone else, please fill out a separate form. The deadline for this is September 11th (Monday). You can find more information at this website: [insert website link] or by scanning the QR code.
4. This week, we're all reading together in the Bible from Psalms 74 to 76. You can check out the resources on the church's website [insert website link] to learn more about the Bible and its stories.

🌀 The Lord's Prayer

🌀 Doxology

🌀 Benediction

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