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☞Prelude

☞**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:



☞ 在主愛裡 **In God's Love**

♪ I worship You cause You first love me  
only worship You  
I often worship Lord, my God only worship You  
♪ [God's love God's love Be with Him in His love]x2

☞ 能力歸我神 **Mighty is our God**

♪ Mighty is our God Mighty is our King  
Mighty is our Lord Ruler of everything  
Glory to our God Glory to our King  
Glory to our Lord Ruler of everything  
♪ His name is higher Higher than any other name  
His pow'r is greater For He has created everything  
(repeat two verses and bridge)  
Mighty is our God. Mighty is our King  
Mighty is our Lord. Ruler of everything

☞ 帶我進入幔內 **Take me Beyond the Veil**

♪ (Take me beyond the veil)\*2, As I come  
I will meet You face to face  
It's so sweet to draw near to You  
♪ (Take me beyond the veil)\*2, As I come

I will meet You face to face  
It's so good to worship You oh Lord

☞**Responsive Reading: Psalm 67:1-7**

- 1 May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us—
- 2 so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.
- 3 May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.
- 4 May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth.
- 5 May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us.
- 7 May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

☞**Praise**

☞ 想念主愛 **Thy Love, O Lord**

- ♪ Day and night do I think of thy love, oh ,Lord.  
It's high and It's depth oh how great.  
Pouring down like a great waterfall oh, Lord  
Thy love doth my being elate.  
Thou didst come down from hea'n for love's sake  
oh, Lord. Forsaking thy glory and thy throne.  
Thou wasn't born son of man under Law oh, Lord  
Without any wealth called thine own.
- ♪ Like a savory feast is thy love oh, Lord  
My whole being to satisfied.  
How I thank thee for taking my place oh, Lord  
To endure the cross and to die.  
Thou hast rescue me from sin and death oh, Lord  
Thy blood washed my heart white as snow.  
Thou hast send thy spirit to help me oh, Lord.  
That I might please thee here below
- ♪ Day and night do I long for thy home oh, Lord,  
That thou art preparing for me.  
O, what joy to walk on streets of gold oh, Lord  
No more pain and tears will I see.  
To abide in thy grace and thy love oh, Lord  
What blessing divine beyond compare.  
For thy love is the same to the end oh, Lord.  
Thy glory is seen everywhere.

Course:

- ♪ All my love is poured out at thine feet oh, Lord,  
None can satisfy my heart so well.  
Most delightful and precious art thou oh, Lord.  
I love in thine bosom to dwell.

☞**Special Music**

☞ 何等偉大的神 **Great I AM**

- ♪ I wanna be close, close to Your side,  
so heaven is real, And death is a lie  
I wanna hear voices of angels above singing as one;  
Hallelujah,  
\*Holy, holy, God Almighty, great I AM;

Who is worthy, none beside Thee; God almighty,  
great I AM,\*

♪ I wanna be near, near to Your heart,  
loving the world, hating the dark,  
I wanna hear dry ones living again, singing as one:  
Hallelujah, \* \*

♪ The mountains shake before You;  
the demons run and flee,  
at the mention of Your name,  
King of majesty; there is no pow'r in hell or any  
who can stand before the power and the presence of  
(the great I AM\*5)

♪ Alpha Omega Jehovah, Messiah Redeemer  
our Savior, I AM Great I AM.  
Hallelujah, holy holy God Almighty great I AM.  
Who is worthy, none beside Thee; God Almighty,  
great I AM. Hallelujah,

♪ Holy, holy! Who is worthy, none beside Thee;  
God Almighty, great I AM.

The Alpha, Omega, Jehovah, the great I AM.

♪ Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning. Our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy holy holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, Blessed Trinity!

♪ Holy holy holy, all the saints adore Thee,  
casting down their golden crowns.  
Around the glassy sea.  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
which wert and art and ever more shall be.  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity. Son of God,  
Son of Man. Holy Lamb, the great I AM.

### 🔑 Scripture Reading:

#### **1 Peter 4:1, 13-14; 1:7 (NIV)**

**4:1** Therefore, since Christ **suffered in his body**, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because whoever suffers in the body **is done with sin**.

**13** But **rejoice** in as much as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be **overjoyed** when his glory is revealed.

**14** If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for **the Spirit of glory and of God** rests on you.

**1:7** These have come so that **the proven genuineness of your faith**—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result **in praise, glory and honor** when Jesus Christ is revealed

### Sermon: The Darkest Period of My Life

- Pastor Hsu

Why did I have to bear the darkest, most depressing low point?

#### I. Darkness Reveals Brilliance:

**1 Peter 4:1-2** Therefore, since Christ **suffered in his body**, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because whoever suffers in the body **is done with sin**.

**2** As a result, they do not live the rest of their earthly lives for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God.

#### 1. Cutting Off Sin (**1 Peter 4:1-2**):

Christ suffered for us so that we could be separated and disconnected from sin! In the past, I followed desires, resisted in pride, indulged in drunken parties, and lived recklessly; suffering has led me to not follow desires but to follow God's will instead!

"Defeat" cut off my pride;  
"illness" cut off my ignorance;  
"emotional loss" cut off my idols;  
"unfavorable situations" cut off my self-centeredness!

#### 2. Receiving the Holy Spirit (**1 Peter 4:14**):

**1 Peter 4:14** If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for **the Spirit of glory and of God** rests on you.

During the wilderness temptation, the toughest times of ministry, and the prayer in Gethsemane, the Holy Spirit anointed Jesus;

When we suffer for the Lord, the Holy Spirit fills us, allowing us to see eternal glory, remember God's words, and strengthen our inner being through God's Spirit!

#### 3. Refining Faith (**1 Peter 1:7**):

**1 Peter 1:7** These have come so that **the proven genuineness of your faith**—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result **in praise, glory and honor** when Jesus Christ is revealed

We are justified by faith, victorious by faith, sanctified by faith, and glorified by faith!

How does faith grow? Through the trials of suffering that test our faith, impurities are removed, leaving pure gold, earning the Lord's praise, glory, and honor!

Battles reveal courage, and weakness is transformed into strength.

**Challenges** like the fiery furnace, the lion's den, and Goliath showcase a person's faith!

#### 4. Eternal Joy (**1 Peter 4:13; 1:6**):

**1 Peter 4:13; 1:6**

**4:13** But **rejoice** inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be **overjoyed** when his glory is revealed.

**1:6** In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials.

Suffering with the Lord leads to rejoicing with the Lord!

If one pursues happiness like chasing a shadow, they will never be satisfied;

But if one pursues the light of the Lord, joy will follow like a shadow, for the Lord is unchanging, and joy remains everlasting!!

## II. Following the Lord's Footsteps ([1 Peter 2:2](#))

**1 Peter 2:21** To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

When we follow Jesus' footsteps, darkness will become brilliance. How should we act?

### 1. Quietly Entrust Yourself to the Lord ([1 Peter 2:22-23](#)):

**1 Peter 2:22-23** "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

**23** When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly.

During His suffering, Jesus chose to remain silent. He did not retaliate when insulted; there was no threat, deceit, or sin in His mouth. He focused on the Heavenly Father, entrusting His soul to Him, without crying out for justice or defending Himself.

Is it worth losing health, peace, and God's presence for the sake of winning an argument?

We should remain quiet. In moments of emotion, we might say things we regret. We must focus on the Heavenly Father and look up to God. Vengeance belongs to the Lord, and He will repay. Instead of seeking apologies from people, seek affirmation from the Lord!

### 2. Seek the Lord's Healing and Comfort ([1 Peter 2:24](#))

**1 Peter 2:24** "He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."

In suffering, there is much sorrow and loss.

We should focus on Jesus. He bore our sins and took on our sorrows so that we might be healed. Jesus says, "Child! I understand! I have been through it!"

### 3. Seek the Lord's Guidance ([1 Peter 2:25, 21](#)):

**1 Peter 2:25, 21** For "you were like sheep going astray,"[f] but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

**21** To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

In suffering, we are like lost sheep, wandering and helpless. But now we come before Jesus, who is the Great Shepherd and Guardian. The suffering we face is allowed by Him; He has experienced it and will make a way for us!

We should follow His footsteps: where the Lord is, we should be; what the Lord says, we should say; what the Lord loves, we should love; what the Lord hates, we should hate!

May the things that move the Lord's heart also move mine;  
may the things that break the Lord's heart also break mine!

#### ☞ Responsive Hymn

✠ 任何環境不要懼怕 **Do not Fear Anything**  
♪ Do not fear anything The Lord my God defend me  
Do not be dismayed Do not be afraid  
The Lord protects me  
♪ Even though my heart suffers even if the dreaded  
The Lord protects me  
♪ Even when a storm of the world is blowing hard  
The Lord protects me  
♪ The Lord is my great wall  
The Lord is my strong fortress  
The Lord is my expectation  
O God, Jehovah is my strength!

#### ☞ Offertory

#### ☞ Holy Communion

#### ☞ Baptism

#### ☞ Announcement

1. \*\*"Melodies of Love" - Poetry and Music Concert\*\* will be held on Sunday, June 23rd, at 8:30 AM and 10:40 AM in the main hall on the 4th floor. The event will feature moving life testimonies, gospel hymns, and orchestral performances. Please invite all your friends and family to join us.

2. **"Professionals' Perspectives" Lecture** will take place on Saturday, June 29th, at 6:30 PM in the B1 auditorium. The theme is "Idealistic and Ambitious Technologists - Passionate Sharing from Professionals in Environmental Engineering and Biomedical Technology." We warmly invite young adults in the community to attend.
3. **"University Freshman Experience"** will be held on Friday, June 28th, starting at 9:00 AM at National Taiwan University, National Chengchi University, and Shih Hsin University. The event includes campus tours, local food guides, and shared experiences about student housing. Incoming freshmen are encouraged to participate.
4. **"Children's Gospel Camp - Building Life Character"** will take place from Wednesday, July 17th, to Friday, July 19th. The camp includes Bible dramas, body movement activities, character education, truth lessons, and fun games. We sincerely welcome students entering grades 1 to 6 to join us.
5. This week's Bible reading schedule: Song of Solomon chapters 3 to 5. Please visit the Harmony Church website (<http://www.ctfhc.org>) to watch "Key to the Bible" and "Enjoying the Bible" programs. You are also welcome to listen to the Good News Radio program "Awakened Hearts - The Books of James and Peter."

### **☞ 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!*