



# Taiwan Harmony Friends Church

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Jesus Loves You

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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:



## ☞ 我的讚美 My Praise

- ♪ Make a joyful noise unto the LORD  
Lift our hands to give Him praise  
All the people shall praise Him  
He is mighty and powerful God
- ♪ Praise him with the timbrel and dance  
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord  
I want to praise the Lord with my heart His is my king
- ♪ Make a joyful noise unto the Lord,  
Lift our hands to give Him praise  
All the nations praise the Lord declare Him to the end of the earth

## ☞ 神羔羊 Lamb of God

- ♪ Lamb of God, Holy One Jesus Christ, Son of God  
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- ♪ Lifted up willingly to die  
That I the guilty one may know  
Lamb of God Lifted up willingly to die  
That I the guilty one may know
- ♪ Still cleansing, still healing Lamb of God  
The blood once shed still freely flowing  
Still cleansing, still healing

- ♪ I exalt You, Jesus, my sacrifice  
Lamb of God I exalt You, Jesus, my sacrifice  
I exalt You, my redeemer and my Lord  
Lamb of God I exalt You, worthy Lamb of God  
And in honor I bow down before Your throne

## ☞ 如鹿渴慕 As the Deer

- ♪ As the deer panteth for the water  
So my soul longeth after thee  
You alone are my heart desire  
And I long to worship thee
- ♪ You alone are my strength my shield  
To You alone may my spirit yield  
You alone are my heart desire  
And I long to worship thee

## ☞Responsive Reading: **Psalm 105:1-4, 43-45**

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.
- 3 Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- 4 Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always.
- 43 He brought out his people with rejoicing, his chosen ones with shouts of joy;
- 44 he gave them the lands of the nations, and they fell heir to what others had toiled for—
- 45 that they might keep his precepts and observe his laws. Praise the LORD!

## ☞Praise

### ☞讚美耶穌 Praise Him! Praise Him!

- ♪ Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Jesus, our blessed engraved Redeemer!  
Sing, O Earth, His wonderful love proclaim!  
Hail Him! hail Him! highest archangels in glory;  
Strength and honor give to His holy Name!  
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children,  
In His arms He carries them all day long: (Refrain)
- ♪ Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Jesus, our blessed engraved Redeemer!  
For our sins He suffered, and bled, and died.  
He our Rock, our hope of eternal salvation,  
Hail Him! hail Him! Jesus the Crucified.  
Sound His praises! Jesus who bore our sorrows,  
Love unbounded, wonderful, deep and strong.  
(Refrain)  
(Praise Him!x2) Tell of His excellent greatness.  
(Praise Him!x2) Ever in joyful song!

## ☞Special Music

### ☞歡樂佳音 The Joyful Sound

- ♪ (We have heard\*5), Jesus saves!  
Waft if on the rolling tide: (Jesus saves!\*2)
- ♪ Tell to sinners far and wide: (Jesus saves!\*2)  
Bear the news to every land,  
climb the steps and cross the waves; onward!  
'tis our Lord's command: (Jesus saves!\*2)

- ♪ We've a story to tell to the nations,  
that shall turn their hearts to the right,  
a story of truth and mercy,  
(a story of peace and light\*2)
- ♪ For the darkness shall turn to dawning,  
and the dawning to noonday bright;  
(and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth,  
a kingdom of love and light.\*2)
- ♪ Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,  
with the cross of Jesus going on before;  
Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;  
forward into battle, see His banner go!  
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,  
(with the cross of Jesus going on before\*2);
- ♪ [(Glory, glory hallelujah!\*3)  
His truth is marching on!]\*2  
His truth is marching on!
- ♪ We have heard the joyful sound: (Jesus saves!)\*2

🔗 **Scripture Reading: Psalm 3:1-8 (NIV)**

- 1** Lord, how many are my foes! How many rise up against me!
- 2** Many are saying of me, “God will not deliver him.”
- 3** But you, Lord, are a shield around me, my glory, the One who lifts my head high.
- 4** I call out to the Lord, and he answers me from his holy mountain.
- 5** I lie down and sleep; I wake again, because the Lord sustains me.
- 6** I will not fear though tens of thousands assail me on every side.
- 7** Arise, Lord! Deliver me, my God! Strike all my enemies on the jaw; break the teeth of the wicked.
- 8** From the Lord comes deliverance. May your blessing be on your people.

**Sermon: Song of Faith** - Pastor Dong

Life is full of battles, both big and small. Are you facing a tough battle right now?  
Trusting in God helps us overcome and win. Believing firmly in God is the key to victory in every battle!  
Today, let's learn from this song of faith and discover David's secret to victory. Just like David, we can win every battle!

**I. The Challenge to Faith (Psalm 3:1-2)**

**Psalm 3:1-2** Lord, how many are my foes! How many rise up against me!

**2** Many are saying of me, “God will not deliver him.”

After a powerful attack, a great blow follows.

**v.1 Powerful Attack** — Refer to (2 Samuel 15-16)

- 1.** Outnumbered: Like an ant trying to stop a cart!

- 2.** Massive Betrayal: His own son and all the Israelites — Ahithophel (2 Samuel 15:12; 16:15; 15:12-14)

**2 Samuel 15:12** While Absalom was offering sacrifices, he also sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David’s counselor, to come from Giloh, his hometown. And so the conspiracy gained strength, and Absalom’s following kept on increasing.

**16:15** Meanwhile, Absalom and all the men of Israel came to Jerusalem, and Ahithophel was with him.

**15:12-14** While Absalom was offering sacrifices, he also sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David’s counselor, to come from Giloh, his hometown. And so the conspiracy gained strength, and Absalom’s following kept on increasing.

**13** A messenger came and told David, “The hearts of the people of Israel are with Absalom.”

**14** Then David said to all his officials who were with him in Jerusalem, “Come! We must flee, or none of us will escape from Absalom. We must leave immediately, or he will move quickly to overtake us and bring ruin on us and put the city to the sword.”

**v.2 A Crushing Blow** — Gossip (2 Samuel 16:5-8, Shimei)

**Psalm 3:2** Many are saying of me, “God will not deliver him.”

**2 Samuel 16:5-8** As King David approached Bahurim, a man from the same clan as Saul’s family came out from there. His name was Shimei son of Gera, and he cursed as he came out.

**6** He pelted David and all the king’s officials with stones, though all the troops and the special guard were on David’s right and left.

**7** As he cursed, Shimei said, “Get out, get out, you murderer, you scoundrel!”

**8** The LORD has repaid you for all the blood you shed in the household of Saul, in whose place you have reigned. The LORD has given the kingdom into the hands of your son Absalom. You have come to ruin because you are a murderer!”

This was a form of **cruel verbal abuse** — like a knife stabbing the heart.

Satan knows exactly how to defeat us, and his method is to attack our faith.

Once we lose faith in God, we’ve already lost. But if our faith in God stays firm, then we’ve already won!

**II. The Counterattack of Faith (Psalm 3:3-6)**

**Psalm 3:3-6** But you, Lord, are a shield around me, my glory, the One who lifts my head high.

**4** I call out to the Lord, and he answers me from his holy mountain.

**5** I lie down and sleep; I wake again, because the Lord sustains me.

**6** I will not fear though tens of thousands assail me on every side.

### 1. Declare that God is my shield

This crushes threats and fears (the fear and anxiety created by Satan and enemies).

### 2. Declare that God is my glory, the one who lifts my head

This destroys all shame, fills us with glory, and drives away all darkness and disgrace.

### 3. Declare that God hears prayers ([Psalm 3:4](#)) and gives peace ([Psalm 3:5](#))

This surrounds us with peace and strengthens our hearts with inner power!

## III. The Highest Level of Faith

### 1. Complete Surrender to God ([2 Samuel 15:24-26](#))

**2 Samuel 15:24-26** Zadok was there, too, and all the Levites who were with him were carrying the ark of the covenant of God. They set down the ark of God, and Abiathar offered sacrifices until all the people had finished leaving the city.

**25** Then the king said to Zadok, "Take the ark of God back into the city. If I find favor in the LORD's eyes, he will bring me back and let me see it and his dwelling place again.

**26** But if he says, 'I am not pleased with you,' then I am ready; let him do to me whatever seems good to him."

A faith that entrusts life and death, blessings and hardships, entirely to God, allowing Him to decide everything.

### 2. Firm Belief that Salvation Belongs to God ([Psalm 3:8a](#))

**Psalm 3:8** From the Lord comes deliverance. May your blessing be on your people.

A steadfast belief that God can save, even in impossible situations!

### 3. Focus on God's People, Praying for Blessings for Them ([Psalm 3:8b](#))

A faith rooted in love, not selfish or self-centered, but always caring for God's people as well!

David achieved a great victory, but an even more dangerous battle was already brewing — as seen in ([2 Samuel 20:1-2,6](#)).

**2 Samuel 20:1-2,6** Now a troublemaker named Sheba son of Bikri, a Benjamite, happened to be there. He sounded the trumpet and shouted, "We have no share in David, no part in Jesse's son! Every man to his tent, Israel!"

**2** So all the men of Israel deserted David to follow Sheba son of Bikri. But the men of Judah stayed by their king all the way from the Jordan to Jerusalem.

**6** David said to Abishai, "Now Sheba son of Bikri will do us more harm than Absalom did. Take your master's men and pursue him, or he will find fortified cities and escape from us."

David continued to fight with the same faith, and this faith in God allowed him to keep winning, overcoming every challenge!

By using the faith that God gives us to "counterattack the world's assaults and blows," we can become victorious warriors in God's kingdom, winning every battle!

**1 John 5:4** "For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith."

### ☞ Responsive Hymn

✠ 叫我抬起頭的神 **The Lifter of My Head**

♪ Lord, You are my solid rock I shall not be moved  
with You as my provider who is there to fear

♪ Lord, You are my shepherd I shall not want  
with You as my banner There will be victory

♪ For You are my shield and my defender  
Glory of my life and You are the lifter of my head

♪ Weeping may remain at night  
But at dawn we will rejoice  
You're my solid rock Lord, You are my help

### ☞ Announcement

1. **Registration is now open for "Autumn/Winter Happiness GOGO"!** The course runs from October 15 to December 6. We have activities in sports, music, and life series, and we've added a railway study class. We welcome you to invite your non-believing friends and family to join us and share in God's love. To register, please scan the QR code on page six.

2. **Our annual Thanksgiving Celebration will be held on October 27 at 10:00 AM** at the Taipei Silicon Valley International Conference Center, B2. We invite all brothers and sisters to join us in reflecting on the wonderful things God has done at Harmony Church.

3. **This week's Bible reading schedule:** Isaiah chapters 43 to 45. Please check the Harmony Church website (<http://www.ctfhc.org>) to view "Keys to the Bible" and "The Bible is Good to Read."
4. **Friendly Reminder:** The church is a sacred place to worship God, and we should respect the order of worship:
  - (1) Please do not eat, chew gum, smoke, make noise, answer calls, put your feet up, or walk around. If you are not feeling well, please avoid drinking water.
  - (2) Please refrain from any borrowing, meetings, direct selling, investment advice, or political promotion.
  - (3) Please avoid any flirty interactions, whether with the opposite or same sex, or any private matchmaking for marriage. Let's interact in the light and work together to build God's house.

#### ☞ **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 heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

#### ☞ **Benediction**

*Today's worship concludes here for now. Brothers  
and sisters, please feel free to communicate with one  
another before dismissing. Emmanuel, may God  
bless you all.*