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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:



† 興起讚美 我主我王 **Stand Up**

♪ [Stand up and bless the Lord your God from everlasting to everlasting]×2
♪ [And blessed be Your glorious name O Lord] which is exalted above all blessing and praise []which is exalted which is exalted

† 震動天地 **Shake the Heaven and Earth**

♪ [Hallelujah celebrate, Hallelujah shout for joy] For you have won the victory [] For you have risen from the grave
♪ Lord, come again in power
Lord, come and shake the heaven and earth
Let every tribe and tongue return to you
Lord, come again in glory
Your glory fills the earth
Your peace and blessings rain upon our land

† 愛更真實 **Love is More Real**

♪ Jesus emptied my life and filled it with His *Love
Now this love is more real to me because it comes from Jesus my Lord
*[Peace] *[Joy]

☞**Responsive Reading: Psalm 119:41-48**

- 41 May your unfailing love come to me, O Lord, your salvation, according to your promise.
- 42 then I can answer anyone who taunts me, for I trust in your word.
- 43 Never take your word of truth from my mouth, for I have put my hope in your laws.
- 44 I will always obey your law, for ever and ever.
- 45 I will walk about in freedom, for I have sought out your precepts.
- 46 I will speak of your statutes before kings and will not be put to shame,
- 47 for I delight in your commands because I love them.
- 48 I reach out for your commands, which I love, that I may meditate on your decrees.

☞**Praise**

† 快樂頌 **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

- ♪ Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!
- ♪ All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in Thee.
- ♪ Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blessed,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
all who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.
- ♪ Mortals, join the happy chorus,
which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,
brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us Sunward
in the triumph song of life.

☞**Special Music**

† 愛中相遇 **See You Face To Face**

- ♪ Everyday, how I long to see You face to face
Once again, I am coming back to Your embrace
Forever, You'll always be my joy and strength
lay down all my life to follow You
- ♪ Everyday, how I long to see You face to face

Once again, I surrender in Your light and grace
 Forever, You'll always be my love, my friend
 I will worship to glorify Your name

♪ I give my life, a living sacrifice
 And with a pure heart, worship You, my king
 Lord, may Your will be done. I live my life for You
 Holy Spirit, come, come and reign in me

♪ Purified, sanctified, draw me after You
 I'm running to Your arms
 Take my heart, take my life, draw me after You
 I live to worship You

🔗 **Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 12:5, 29:11, 26:15**
12:5 If you have raced with men on foot and they have worn you out, how can you compete with horses? If you stumble in safe country, how will you manage in the thickets by the Jordan?
29:11 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.
26:15 Be assured, however, that if you put me to death, you will bring the guilt of innocent blood on yourselves and on this city and on those who live in it, for in truth the Lord has sent me to you to speak all these words in your hearing.

🔗 **Sermon: Overcoming Life's Crises** - Pastor Hsu

Why is my life so hard? Will tomorrow be better?

I. Greater Challenges, Stronger Shoulders: **Jeremiah 12:5; 2 Peter 1:10-11**

Jeremiah 12:5 If you have raced with men on foot and they have worn you out, how can you compete with horses? If you stumble in safe country, how will you manage in the thickets by the Jordan?

2 Peter 1:10-11 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Jeremiah saw wicked people living in peace and success. He wondered, "Where is God? Where is justice? How long will this suffering last?"

It seemed like God didn't comfort him but instead warned that even greater challenges were coming.

Jeremiah had to take on heavier responsibilities. God was training him by allowing him to face great difficulties.

God has a bigger plan for you and me!

While we often hope for a smooth and peaceful life, God calls us to join His Kingdom work and face challenges without fear.

Are we willing to let go of our comfort and step out of our safe zone to boldly take on God's mission for us?

We need to actively and diligently prepare ourselves to fully enter God's Kingdom by:

- **Growing in knowledge and understanding of how to love others**
- **Gaining wisdom and insight from God's truth**

II. Eternal Glory and Peaceful Hope: Jeremiah 29:11; 2 Corinthians 4:17; Philippians 1:28-29

Jeremiah 29:11 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 a hope and a future.

2 Corinthians 4:17 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

Philippians 1:28-29 Without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved—and that by God. For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him.

From a human perspective, being exiled to a foreign land seemed like a disaster. The exiled people couldn't return home and appeared to have lost everything.

In contrast, those who stayed in Jerusalem seemed more fortunate.

But God made a surprising promise — the future hope wasn't for those who stayed but for those who were exiled!

God preserved the sacred temple vessels, protected the lives of His chosen people, and kept their faith alive in foreign lands.

As God's people, we need to see life from an eternal perspective.

It's better to lose temporary comforts if it means gaining eternal life!

Through challenges, we receive God's holiness, peace, and protection.

The Bible reminds us: *Our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all (2 Corinthians 4:17)*. What we endure today is small compared to the amazing eternal glory God has prepared for us!

III. Courage Grows Stronger: Victory Through Faith: Jeremiah 26:20-23, 15; 1 Peter 1:7; Hebrews 11:34

Jeremiah 26:20-23, 15 Now Uriah son of Shemaiah from Kiriath Jearim was another man who prophesied in the name of the LORD; he prophesied the same things against this city and this land as Jeremiah did.

21 When King Jehoiakim and all his officials and officers heard his words, the king was determined to put him to death. But Uriah heard of it and fled in fear to Egypt.

22 King Jehoiakim, however, sent Elnathan son of Achbor to Egypt, and Elnathan brought Uriah back to King Jehoiakim, who had him struck down with a sword and his body thrown into the burial place of the common people.

23 But Jeremiah had been rescued from the hands of the king of Judah.

15 As for me, I am in your hands; do with me whatever you think is good and right.

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.

Hebrews 11:34 quenched the fury of the flames and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies.

Jeremiah boldly delivered God's message, warning that the nation would be destroyed and exiled.

The king was furious, and the priests arrested Jeremiah and threw him into prison.

During that same time, another prophet, Uriah, received the same message from God and faced the same pressure. But unlike Jeremiah, Uriah chose fear—he ran away but was captured and killed.

Jeremiah, however, chose to be brave and stand firmly on God's side. God protected him because of his courage and faith.

Thoughts: Why was Jeremiah able to be brave and victorious?

He deeply understood God's calling! He constantly heard from God and encountered God!

He didn't give up on coming before God, and because of this, he was able to stand with God!

This is the key to victory! It is through unceasing cries, being filled with truth, that we are supported!

Difficulties are meant to train our faith. Battles reveal

our courage. As we practice bravery and strength, we experience that God is our strength and hope! This strengthens and encourages us, enabling us to respond courageously to the Lord!

☞ Responsive Hymn

† 靠著耶穌得勝

♪ In Your love, I will declare,
My weaknesses are changed,
In Your love, I will declare, You are the King.
In Your love, I will declare, I'm no longer stuck in sin,
It's You leading me to victory.

♪ (Victory through Jesus)*2

For all my life, I will win through Your love.

(Victory through Jesus)*2 I fear not defeat,

For I know Your grace is boundless,

It's You leading me to victory.

☞ Announcement

1. Our church's annual Thanksgiving Celebration, "Creative," will be held on 02/16 at 10:00 AM at the B2 level of the Taipei Silicon Valley International Conference Center. We invite all brothers and sisters to join us in reflecting on God's wonderful work at Harmony Church.

2. This week's Bible reading progress: Jeremiah chapters 28 to 30. Please visit the Harmony Church website (<http://www.ctfhc.org>) to view *The Logos Gateway* and *Bible Made Easy*. You are also welcome to listen online to Pastor Xu's program, "Awakened Heart—Proverbs," on Jia Yin Radio.

☞ 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.