



🌀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:



† 得救的人讚美主

Let The Redeemed Of The Lord Say So

♪ [Let the redeemed of the Lord say so]x3
I'm redeemed, I'm redeemed, praise the Lord!

† 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

† 這是聖潔之地 **This is Holy Ground**

♪ This is holy ground God's in this place
Come close to give the deepest worship
This is holy ground God's in this place
Lord take Your throne enthroned among our Praise
♪ With all my heart I worship you
I lift my hands to worship You
So hungry I fall on my knees
I will surrender at Your throne
♪ With all my heart I worship You
I lift my hands to worship You
In Your great light and glorious pow'r
I will surrender at Your throne and worship You

🌀**Responsive Reading: Psalm 119:65-72**

- 65 Do good to your servant according to your word, LORD.
- 66 Teach me knowledge and good judgment, for I trust your commands.
- 67 Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I obey your word.
- 68 You are good, and what you do is good; teach me your decrees.
- 69 Though the arrogant have smeared me with lies, I keep your precepts with all my heart.
- 70 Their hearts are callous and unfeeling, but I delight in your law.
- 71 It was good for me to be afflicted so that I might learn your decrees.
- 72 The law from your mouth is more precious to me than thousands of pieces of silver and gold.

🌀Praise

† 頌讚主聖名 **Blessed be the Name**

♪ All praise to Him Who reigns above
In majesty supreme,
Who gave His Son for man to die,
That He might man redeem!
♪ His Name above all names shall stand,
Exalted more and more,
At God the Father's own right hand,
Where angel hosts adore.
♪ His Name shall be the Counselor,
The mighty Prince of Peace,
Of all earth's kingdoms Conqueror,
Whose reign shall never cease.

Refrain

♪[(Blessed be the Name!) *3 of the Lord!] *2

🌀Special Music

† 讚美的樂器 **Instruments of Praise**

♪ Surely the Lord is in this place x2
Lord we gather by Your grace to worship You
To worship You as instruments of praise
♪ Our Lord our lord how majestic is Your name
Ruler of earth and sky and sea
Creator of all things
to You we gladly sing our praises
♪ You are our savior and redeemer
You are the perfect sacrifice sacrifice
Lamb spotless lamb and we sing to You
the great I AM
♪ Holy holy is Your name
All creation joins to proclaim that
You alone are worthy of our praise
worthy of our praise
Ways through all our Lord
Lead and guide us in Your ways in Your ways
♪ Through all our days
May we be Your instruments (of praise *3)
Instruments of praise

🌀**Scripture Reading: Isaiah 27:2-6 (NIV)**

- 2 In that day, "Sing about a fruitful vineyard:.
- 3 I, the Lord, watch over it; I water it continually. I guard it day and night so that no one may harm it.
- 4 I am not angry. If only there were briars and thorns confronting me! I would march against them in battle; I would set them all on fire.
- 5 Or else let them come to me for refuge; let them make peace with me, yes, let them make peace with me."
- 6 In days to come Jacob will take root, Israel will bud and blossom and fill all the world with fruit.

🌀**Sermon: When Hard Times Turn Into Blessings**

- Pastor Dong

I. God Gives Great Blessings and Abundance

- 1. **A Life That Grows and Becomes Better (Isaiah 27:6a)**

Our lives will be transformed and improved. We will grow in wisdom, character, and depth—becoming truly wonderful.

2. A Life Filled with Abundance (Isaiah 27:6b)

Like a tree planted in rich soil, we will take root, grow, bloom, and bear much fruit.

3. A Life That is Cared for and Protected (Isaiah 27:3-4)

God provides for us every moment, helping us grow beyond our limits and become mature.

He watches over us day and night, keeping us safe so we can grow in the best environment.

4. A Life That Brings Blessings to the World (Isaiah 27:6, 12-13; Genesis 12:2-3)

Isaiah 27:6 In the future, Jacob will take root, Israel will bud and blossom, and their fruit will fill the world.

Isaiah 27:12-13 In that day the LORD will thresh from the flowing Euphrates to the Wadi of Egypt, and you, Israel, will be gathered up one by one.

13 And in that day a great trumpet will sound. Those who were perishing in Assyria and those who were exiled in Egypt will come and worship the LORD on the holy mountain in Jerusalem.

Genesis 12:2-3

"I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing.

3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

God will bless us so that we can be a blessing to all people!

II. Removing Sin and Returning to God (Isaiah 27:11, 7-11)

Isaiah 27:11 When its twigs are dry, they are broken off and women come and make fires with them. For this is a people without understanding; so their Maker has no compassion on them, and their Creator shows them no favor.

The Key Reason for Missing God's Blessings:

Lack of Understanding (v.11b)

People refuse to acknowledge the one true, greatest, most powerful, and most loving God.

They betray God and rely on idols instead. They are proud and think they know everything. They reject God's constant calls of love and refuse His efforts to bring them back.

To Turn Hard Times into Blessings, Sin Must Be Removed!

God's way of dealing with sin (v.7-11):

Isaiah 27:7-11 Has the LORD struck her as he struck down those who struck her? Has she been killed as those were killed who killed her?

8 By warfare^u and exile you contend with her— with his fierce blast he drives her out, as on a day the east wind blows.

9 By this, then, will Jacob's guilt be atoned for, and this will be the full fruit of the removal of his sin: When he makes all the altar stones to be like limestone crushed to pieces, no Asherah poles^u or incense altars will be left standing.

10 The fortified city stands desolate, an abandoned settlement, forsaken like the wilderness; there the calves graze, there they lie down; they strip its branches bare.

11 When its twigs are dry, they are broken off and women come and make fires with them. For this is a people without understanding; so their Maker has no compassion on them, and their Creator shows them no favor.

III. Make Peace with God and Return to Him (Isaiah 27:5, 9, 7-8, 4)

Isaiah 27:5 Or else let them come to me for refuge; let them make peace with me, yes, let them make peace with me."

Isaiah 27:9 By this, then, will Jacob's guilt be atoned for, and this will be the full fruit of the removal of his sin: When he makes all the altar stones to be like limestone crushed to pieces, no Asherah poles or incense altars will be left standing.

Repent and Turn Back to God. Let go of pride. Get rid of idols.
Stop relying on anything other than God!

Three Key Points:

God Alone. Unshakable Faith. Greatest Love.

What Is an Idol?

- Anything in your heart that is more important than God.
- Anything you depend on instead of God.
- Anything you love more than God, to the point that you disobey Him for it.

Common Idols:

- **Yourself** (pride, selfishness)

- **Money** (wealth, possessions)
- **Future Plans** (career, success)
- **Power** (status, influence)
- **Sinful Pleasures** (desires, bad habits)
- **Family & Relationships** (children, boyfriend/girlfriend)

God Loves You So Much!

He eagerly wants to turn your hard times into blessings so that you can bless others!

What Should You Do?

- **Repent completely**—turn away from sin and never go back!
- **Get rid of idols**—let nothing take God’s place in your heart.
- **Call on Jesus constantly**—ask Him to watch over you and help you!
- **Call on His name, and you will be saved!**

How Can You Grow in Faith?

- **Join a church gathering**—encourage each other, show love, and do good.
- **Read and meditate on God’s Word day and night.**
- **Talk about God’s Word with others.**

The Key to True Repentance and Faith in Jesus: **Remove all idols. Trust in Jesus alone. Believe in Him completely. Love Him above all else!**

☞ **Responsive Hymn**

† **真實的悔改 True Repentance**

♪ Lord, You have redeemed us, gathered us, and called us to battle for You.

Lord, we seek Your kingdom, Your righteousness with one heart.

We ask for Your forgiveness for our sins against You. From today, we will obey Your will.

♪ Lord, we truly repent and turn back to You.

We ask You to forgive our sins and cleanse our hearts.

Lord, once again, pour out Your grace, once again pour out Your mercy.

We ask You to shape our lives, that we may live for You and please You all our lives. *repeat*

十字架 **The Cross**

♪ (on the Cross, on the Cross, forever my glory.

All my sins are washed clean, only by the precious blood of Jesus.)

♪ Lord, let me rely on the Cross,

where there is the water of life.

From Golgotha's hill, it flows down, freely offering forgiveness.

♪ I am crucified with Christ, and I live with Him.

Now Christ dwells in my heart, and it is no longer I who live.

And I will walk wherever You may lead.

☞ **Announcement**

1. Single Fellowship Spring Outing

Single Fellowship will hold a spring outing on **Saturday, March 29, from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM** at **Green World Ecological Farm**. Workplace young adults are welcome to sign up through their small group leaders. Come and enjoy God’s marvelous creation in nature and experience the fellowship of God’s family.

2. Gentle Reminder

The church is a holy place for worshiping God, and as His children, we should respect the order of worship:

- **Please refrain from** eating, chewing gum, smoking, making noise, answering phone calls, crossing legs, or walking around unnecessarily. Unless for health reasons, please also avoid drinking water.
- **Any financial activities** such as lending, borrowing, multi-level marketing, investment recommendations, or political promotions are strictly prohibited.
- **Please avoid any inappropriate interactions** between individuals of the opposite or same gender, as well as private matchmaking efforts. Let us walk in the light and build God’s house together in unity.

3. Bible Reading Plan for This Week

This week’s unified Bible reading covers **Jeremiah 40–42**. Please visit the **Harmony Church** website (<http://www.ctfhc.org>) to watch **Logos Gateway** and **Bible Insights** for further study.

☞ **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.