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%Prelude

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

For Chinese Pinyin lyrics, please scan:

† 真是快樂日 What a Joyful Day

- What a joyful day I sing praises to Him every day What a joyful day living for my Lord
 - To live with His promise I lean on day and night

† 耶和華我的磐石 Jehovah You are My Rock

- You're worthy to be praised You have trained my hands for battle You have trained my fingers for war
- You're worthy to be praised You have granted me Your wisdom So my heart will not be moved
- So I will sing to You a new song Praise Your holy name You alone are my shelter You are my strength
- So I will play the harp and dance for joy To praise Your name You alone are my fortress You alone are my hope and my rock

🕆 聖靈之歌 Song of the Holy Spirit

□ Oh! Let our Lord's infinite love surround you and

so that our dry hearts could be satisfied Oh! Let the dove-like Holy Spirit descend on you and me Let us be led and supported through our lives Oh! Let the joy in our hearts turn into a praising hymn Praise the holy name of the Lord forever Oh! Let the worries in our minds be placed in the hands of the Lord Make our whole life walk with Jesus all along Chorus:

(Jesus Oh Jesus! Please fill my heart) *2

Responsive Reading: Psalm 119:73-80

- 73 Your hands made me and formed me; give me understanding to learn your commands.
- 74 May those who fear you rejoice when they see me, for I have put my hope in your word.
- 75 I know, Lord, that your laws are righteous, and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me.
- **76** May your unfailing love be my comfort, according to your promise to your servant.
- 77 Let your compassion come to me that I may live, for your law is my delight.
- 78 May the arrogant be put to shame for wronging me without cause; but I will meditate on your precepts.
- 79 May those who fear you turn to me, those who understand your statutes.
- 80 May I wholeheartedly follow your decrees, that I may not be put to shame.

Praise

† 諸天讚美

Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him

- □ Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him praise him angels in the height; sun and moon, rejoice before him praise him, all ye stars of light. Praise the Lord! for he hath spoken worlds his mighty voice obeyed; laws which never shall be broken for their guidance he hath made.
- □ Praise the Lord! for He is glorious; never shall his promise fail; God hath made his saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail. Praise the God of our salvation! Hosts on high, his power proclaim; heaven and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify his Name.
- Worship, honor, glory, blessing, Lord, we offer unto Thee. Young and old, Thy praise expressing, In glad homage bend the knee. All the saints in Heaven adore Thee; We would bow before Thy throne. As Thine angels serve before Thee, So on earth Thy will be done.

Special Music

- † 來慶賀主耶穌組曲Come, Celebrate Jesus
- 1) (Blessed Be the Name of the Lord)* 2 He is worthy to be Praised and adored So we lift up holy hands In one accord [Singing (blessed Be the name)*3 of the Lord] *3 He is worthy to be Praised and adored So we lift up holy hands .In one accord [Singing (blessed Be the name)*3 of the Lord)* 2
- 2) (Celebrate Jesus)*2 Celebrate* 4 [(He is risen)*2, and He lives forever more (He is risen)*2, come on and celebrate The resurrection of our Lord *2
- 3) Jesus is Alive [Hallelujah Jesus is alive

Death has lost its victory
And the grave has been denied
Jesus lives forever (He's alive)*2
He's the Alpha and Omega
The first and last is He The curse of sin is broken
And we have perfect liberty
The Lamb of God is risen (He's alive)*2
Hallelujah Jesus is alive *2

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 36:18

"Do not let Hezekiah mislead you when he says, 'The LORD will **deliver** us.' Have the gods of **any** nations ever **delivered** their lands **from** the hand of the king of Assyria?

Isaiah 37:1, 20

1 When King Hezekiah heard this, he tore his clothes and put on **sackcloth** and went into the **temple** of the Lord.

20 Now, Lord our God, deliver us from his hand, so that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you, Lord, are the only God."

Sermon: Inner Spring Cleaning

- Pastor Hsu

Do I have any trash, clutter, lies, or fake messages in my heart? How do I discern them?

I. Recognizing Lies

1. False Analysis (Isaiah 36:8, 18; 37:11)

<u>Isaiah 36:8, 18</u> "Come now, make a bargain with my master, the king of Assyria: I will give you two thousand horses—if you can put riders on them!

18 "Do not let Hezekiah mislead you when he says, 'The LORD will deliver us.' Have the gods of any nations ever delivered their lands from the hand of the king of Assyria?

37:11 Surely you have heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all the countries, destroying them completely. And will you be delivered?

The enemy provides a rational analysis of objective circumstances and history, making us focus on the environment and the "impossible."

2. False Hope (Isaiah 36:17)

<u>Isaiah 36:17</u> until I come and take you to a land like your own—a land of grain and new wine, a land of bread and vineyards.

The enemy gives false hope, promising peace and abundance if we surrender and worship idols.

3. Half-truths (Isaiah 36:6-7)

<u>Isaiah 36:6-7</u> Look, I know you are depending on Egypt, that splintered reed of a staff, which pierces the hand of anyone who leans on it! Such is Pharaoh king of Egypt to all who depend on him.

7 But if you say to me, "We are depending on the LORD our God"—isn't he the one whose high places and altars Hezekiah removed, saying to Judah and Jerusalem, "You must worship before this altar"?

It is true that relying on Egypt is useless, but the enemy mixes this truth with the lie that relying on God is also useless. The enemy uses partial facts to create confusion.

4. False Prophecy (Isaiah 36:10)

<u>Isaiah 36:10</u> Furthermore, have I come to attack and destroy this land without the LORD? The LORD himself told me to march against this country and destroy it."

The Assyrians claim that their invasion is God's will, which is a lie. Satan disguises himself as an angel of light, presenting his intentions as if they were God's will.

5. Prayer is Useless (Isaiah 36:7)

<u>Isaiah 36:7</u> But if you say to me, "We are depending on the LORD our God"—isn't he the one whose high places and altars Hezekiah removed, saying to Judah and Jerusalem, "You must worship before this altar"?

The enemy suggests that prayer is ineffective. The lie is that prayer, worship, and trusting God are useless.

6. Sowing Discord (Isaiah 36:14)

<u>Isaiah 36:14</u> This is what the king says: Do not let Hezekiah deceive you. He cannot deliver you!

The enemy attacks the people's trust in King Hezekiah, calling him a deceiver. The enemy attacks our relationship with Jesus, the church, and spiritual leaders.

II. Prayer to Cleanse Lies

1. Be Silent and Wait (Isaiah 36:21)

<u>Isaiah 36:21</u> But the people remained silent and said nothing in reply, because the king had commanded, "Do not answer him."

The people remained silent, not saying a word, not responding to the lies!

"Speak to God first, then speak to others."

"Refuse to engage in conversation with the wrong people!" This includes enemies, those with little faith, unbelievers, and negative or critical people.

2. Repentant Prayer (Isaiah 36:22; 37:1-2; 2 Kings 18:14)

<u>Isaiah 36:22; 37:1-2</u> Then Eliakim son of Hilkiah the palace administrator, Shebna the secretary and Joah son of Asaph the recorder went to Hezekiah, with their clothes torn, and told him what the field commander had said.

<u>37:1-2</u> When King Hezekiah heard this, he tore his clothes and put on sackcloth and went into the temple of the Lord.

- 2 He sent Eliakim the palace administrator, Shebna the secretary, and the leading priests, all wearing sackcloth, to the prophet Isaiah son of Amoz.
- 2 Kings 18:14 So Hezekiah king of Judah sent this message to the king of Assyria at Lachish: "I have done wrong. Withdraw from me, and I will pay whatever you demand of me." The king of Assyria exacted from Hezekiah king of Judah three hundred talents of silver and thirty talents of gold.

"King Hezekiah tore his clothes, put on sackcloth, and in sorrow and repentance, went into the temple to pray!

He repented before God for using money to bribe the king of Assyria in the past and decided to trust God alone!

The first step is to **confess and repent to God**. When relationships are tense, start by repenting to God, and things will change!"

3. Seek Spiritual Guidance (Isaiah 37:2, 5-7; James 5:16)

Isaiah 37:2 He sent Eliakim the palace administrator, Shebna the secretary, and the leading priests, all wearing sackcloth, to the prophet Isaiah son of Amoz. 5-7 When King Hezekiah's officials came to Isaiah, 6 Isaiah said to them, "Tell your master, 'This is what the LORD says: Do not be afraid of what you have heard—those words with which the underlings of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me.

7 Listen! When he hears a certain report, I will make him want to return to his own country, and there I will have him cut down with the sword."

<u>James 5:16</u> Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

"King Hezekiah urgently asked Isaiah to pray and seek God's will!

We should actively join the church, take up the authority God has given the church to pray, and pray for each other!"

4. Focus on Truly Knowing God (Isaiah 37:20; Philippians 1:12, 20)

Isaiah 37:20 Now, LORD our God, deliver us from his hand, so that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you, LORD, are the only God. "

<u>Philippians 1:12, 20</u> Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel.

20 I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death.

"The focus of prayer is not just to solve the problems in front of us, because we can't solve everything.

The focus is 'so that all nations may know that You alone are the Lord,' helping people know and trust in God!

A new spiritual level: Everything I go through should **bring glory to God and the gospel to others!**

In waiting, I experience God's provision; in sickness, I experience God's comfort and go comfort others!

What are the lies and garbage in my heart? How can I stay alert and pray for myself and others?"

Responsive Hymn

常 禱告的力量 The Power of Praver

Sowing the seeds of salvation in prayer, Watering hearts with the tears that we share. God's Spirit makes the weak heart strong, My faith is built on Christ, my Rock.

Chorus:

The power of prayer. Time will surely prove, The mighty change is found in Jesus Christ. A fragrant offering. Reaches to Your throne, For You are faithful, You hear every cry.

% Announcement

1. Harmony Youth Academy: "Time Management Seminar"

■ March 22 & March 29 (Saturday) | ② 2:00 PM

Cloud Hall (1st Floor)

High school to graduate students are welcome! Come and discover key strategies to thrive in a fastchanging world and live a fulfilling life.

2. Family Grace Fellowship: "The Journey of Parenting – A Musical Testimony by Deng Yiren & Family"

March 30 (Sunday) | ○ 1:00-2:30 PM Main Chapel (4th Floor) | ■ Parent-Child Area (3rd Floor)

Join us for a heartwarming time of sharing about the wonders of parenting. Feel free to invite friends and family who have yet to believe in Christ!

Lunch will be provided at 12:15 PM. Please register via the QR code on page 6 of the bulletin or contact your Family Grace Fellowship small group leader.

3. Weekly Bible Reading Plan:

Jeremiah 43–45

Visit <u>Harmony Church's website</u> to watch *Logos Gateway* and *Bible Insights* for deeper 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.

Solution

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.