

∞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:

† 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!

† 主 袮崇高 Be Exalted

- ☐ Oh, Lord! My heart will be stead-fast in You. I will praise You with all of my soul. Oh, Lord! My heart will be stead-fast in You. Lift up my hands, to Your ho-ly place.
- ☐ Be e-xal-ted a-bove all hea-vens.
 For You've done great things for all Your peo-ple.
 Let Your glo-ry be a-bove the earth.
 All that I am, ne-ver ceases to re-joyce in You.

† 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
- □ 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

∞Responsive Reading: Psalm 18:1–6, 18–19

- 1 I love you, LORD, my strength.
- 2 The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
- **3** I called to the Lord, who is worthy of praise, and I have been saved from my enemies.
- **4** The cords of death entangled me; the torrents of destruction overwhelmed me.
- **5** The cords of the grave coiled around me; the snares of death confronted me.
- 6 In my distress I called to the Lord; I cried to my God for help. From his temple he heard my voice; my cry came before him, into his ears.
- **18** They confronted me in the day of my disaster, but the Lord was my support.

19 He brought me out into a spacious place; he rescued me because he delighted in me.

%Praise

- † 祢信實何廣大 Great is Thy faithfulness
- ☐ Faithful You are Faithful, King of kings, Lord of lords, You are Faithful Faithful You are Faithful, King of kings, Lord of lords, I Worship You
- ☐ Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.
- Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. Refrain:
- ☐ Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see.

 All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

%Special Music

- † 榮耀歸神-耶穌降生 Glory to God- Jesus Is Born
- ☐ Let praises rise, (glory to God!)

 With songs we celebrate in love for the Lord, ()

 Come join us in joyful praise, do not be afraid-()

 We bring good news of great joy: In Bethlehemglory to God!- the Messiah has been sent to us.
- Glory, glory to God, Glory to the Most High God!
 Glory and praise to God,

 Pages on court to those He layer

Peace on earth to those He loves.

- ☐ This will be a sign for you:A baby lying in a manger.A bright star in the heavens leadsTo God's precious gift of love.
- Because of love, God wove His tender care Into His perfect plan.

 Because of love, He sent a Child To touch the hearts of men.

 Because of love, the angels sang,

 And the shining star appeared—

 A free gift of grace, because of love.
- ☐ Because of love, because of love,
 He already knew the road would lead to the cross.
 Because of love, God's life became one with ours
 Forever and evermore.

We will worship His holy name forever, For God is with us.

His name is Immanuel—name of love and mercy.

- ▶ Born with power, to sit on David's throne,
 Born in humility, leader of Jacob's house.
 Born as a shepherd, born as the Lamb—
 This baby in the manger, born as the Son of Man.
- It was because of love—That night, the Holy Child was held in Mary's arms. Because of love, God's eternal light Shone into the world's dark night. The whole earth proclaims the long-awaited Savior,

Under the silent sky. His birth brought us a precious gift— That gift is love, that gift is love.

 □ Jesus, Immanuel, God with us, King of kings—we give all our praise, And join the angels' joyful song: The gift of love—because of love.

Scripture Reading: Numbers 13:30; 2 Corinthians 2:14

Numbers 13:30 Then Caleb silenced the people before Moses and said, "We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it."

2 Corinthians 2:14 But thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere.

Sermon: You Have Wronged God!

~ Minister Dong

Numbers 13:27–28 They gave Moses this account: "We went into the land to which you sent us, and it does flow with milk and honey! Here is its fruit.

28 But the people who live there are powerful, and the cities are fortified and very large. We even saw descendants of Anak there.

<u>Numbers 13:30–33</u> Then Caleb silenced the people before Moses and said, "We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it."

- 31 But the men who had gone up with him said, "We can't attack those people; they are stronger than we are."
- **32** And they spread among the Israelites a bad report about the land they had explored. They said, "The land we explored devours those living in it. All the people we saw there are of great size.
- **33** We saw the Nephilim there (the descendants of Anak come from the Nephilim). We seemed like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and we looked the same to them."

Numbers 14:1-4 That night all the members of the community raised their voices and wept aloud.

- 2 All the Israelites grumbled against Moses and Aaron, and the whole assembly said to them, "If only we had died in Egypt! Or in this wilderness!
- **3** Why is the LORD bringing us to this land only to let us fall by the sword? Our wives and children will be taken as plunder. Wouldn't it be better for us to go back to Egypt?"
- **4** And they said to each other, "We should choose a leader and go back to Egypt."
- <u>14:6–11</u> Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had explored the land, tore their clothes
- 7 and said to the entire Israelite assembly, "The land we passed through and explored is exceedingly good.
 8 If the LORD is pleased with us, he will lead us into that land, a land flowing with milk and honey, and will

give it to us.

- **9** Only do not rebel against the LORD. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will devour them. Their protection is gone, but the LORD is with us. Do not be afraid of them."
- **10** But the whole assembly talked about stoning them. Then the glory of the LORD appeared at the tent of meeting to all the Israelites.
- 11 The LORD said to Moses, "How long will these people treat me with contempt? How long will they refuse to believe in me, in spite of all the signs I have performed among them?
- 19 In accordance with your great love, forgive the sin of these people, just as you have pardoned them from the time they left Egypt until now."
- 22 not one of those who saw my glory and the signs I performed in Egypt and in the wilderness but who disobeyed me and tested me ten times—
- 24 But because my servant Caleb has a different spirit and follows me wholeheartedly, I will bring him into the land he went to, and his descendants will inherit it.
- 30 Not one of you will enter the land I swore with uplifted hand to make your home, except Caleb son of Jephunneh and Joshua son of Nun.
- 35 I, the LORD, have spoken, and I will surely do these things to this whole wicked community, which has banded together against me. They will meet their end in this wilderness; here they will die."
- **37** these men who were responsible for spreading the bad report about the land were struck down and died of a plague before the LORD.
- **38** Of the men who went to explore the land, only Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh survived.
- <u>14:41–42</u> But Moses said, "Why are you disobeying the LORD's command? This will not succeed!
- **42** Do not go up, because the LORD is not with you. You will be defeated by your enemies,
- 44–45 Nevertheless, in their presumption they went up toward the highest point in the hill country, though neither Moses nor the ark of the LORD's covenant moved from the camp.
- **45** Then the Amalekites and the Canaanites who lived in that hill country came down and attacked them and beat them down all the way to Hormah.
- <u>26:65</u> For the LORD had told those Israelites they would surely die in the wilderness, and not one of them was left except Caleb son of Jephunneh and Joshua son of Nun.
- <u>32:12</u> not one except Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite and Joshua son of Nun, for they followed the LORD wholeheartedly.'

I. You Deserved to Lose <u>Numbers 13:27–28, 32–33; 14:1–3, 11, 35, 37</u>

Psalm 106:13, 21
But they soon forgot what he had done and did not wait for his plan to unfold.
21 They forgot the God who saved them, who had done great things in Egypt,

1. Selective Amnesia – <u>Numbers 14:19, 22;</u> Psalm 106:13, 21

No matter how much love they received, they remained ungrateful. No matter how many blessings they experienced, they still turned cold. Countless acts of kindness—they completely forget; One small offense—they remember forever.

If life turns out like this, who can they blame but themselves?

2. Emotional Breakdown Syndrome – Numbers 14:1

Crying, wailing, blaming God and others utter collapse and uncontrolled behavior. They could only vent and accuse through violent emotion.

If life keeps failing, isn't it because they've allowed their emotions to rule?

3. Persecution Complex – Numbers 14:3; Deuteronomy 1:27

<u>Deuteronomy 1:27</u> You grumbled in your tents and said, "The LORD hates us; so he brought us out of Egypt to deliver us into the hands of the Amorites to destroy us."

"They think, 'God wants to harm us; everyone is against me."

They never treat others with good intentions, never approach people with a healthy mindset, never look through the eyes of trust—
Is it any wonder they end up losing?

4. Pessimism Disorder – Numbers 13:31–33

Always choosing negativity, despair, and defeatism: "We'll surely suffer. We'll surely lose. We'll surely die."

They declared their own fate—guaranteed loss, no chance to win!

5. Godless Vision Syndrome – <u>Numbers</u> 14:4; <u>Exodus 32:1</u>

Exodus 32:1 When the people saw that Moses was so long in coming down from the mountain, they gathered around Aaron and said, "Come, make us gods[a] who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don't know what has happened to him."

Anything and anyone could replace the LORD—

as long as it pleased them.

They only believed what they *wanted* to believe, only trusted what they *could* accept.

So this "God" was always disposable. When there is no God in one's eyes, failure is inevitable!

6. Dwarfed Faith Syndrome – <u>Numbers</u> 14:41–42, 44–45

They refused to be brave when courage was needed, refused to fight when battle was required, refused to trust, to be loyal, to obey. They were *giants in sin* but *dwarfs in faith*—destined to be utter losers!

Their End:

A life of wandering, instability, gloom, shame, sorrow, regret, downfall, and emptiness!

II. Winning Beautifully – <u>Numbers 13:30; 14:6–9, 24, 38; 26:65; 32:12</u>

1. Set Apart with Dignity – <u>Numbers 14:6, 10, 30, 38</u>

Why follow the crowd? Why go along with the world?

They choose lust—I choose holiness.

They choose hatred and revenge—I choose forgiveness and release.

They choose betrayal—I choose loyalty. They choose friendship with the world—I choose friendship with Jesus.

If you want to win beautifully in life, you must be set apart for God!

2. Fight to the End – Exodus 17:9

Exodus 17:9 Moses said to Joshua, "Choose some of our men and go out to fight the Amalekites. Tomorrow I will stand on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hands."

Joshua's life was a life of battle.

Our daily devotions, every prayer meeting, every Sunday worship, every choir offering, every street mission or online ministry—
These are not mere activities, but **spiritual battles**.

At work, in school, among family—every moment is a hidden war in the spiritual realm. So, fight faithfully to the end!

3. Obeying Only the Lord – Exodus 17:10; Joshua 5:14–15

Exodus 17:10 So Joshua fought the Amalekites as Moses had ordered, and Moses, Aaron and Hur went to the top of the hill.

Joshua 14:14-15 "Neither," he replied, "but as commander of the army of the Lord I have now

come." Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence, and asked him, "What message does my Lord have for his servant?"

15 The commander of the Lord's army replied, "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so.

Listen carefully to the Lord's commands, carry out His assignments with courage, and persevere until the mission is completed.

No enemy is too strong, no challenge too difficult, no pressure too great—because God takes responsibility.

There is only one Leader—Jesus; only one Commander—Jesus. When He leads your life, you will win beautifully.

4. Courage to Claim God's Promises – Numbers 13:30; Joshua 14:6

Joshua 14:6 Now the people of Judah approached Joshua at Gilgal, and Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite said to him, "You know what the Lord said to Moses the man of God at Kadesh Barnea about you and me.

Why did these two men dare to stand alone and boldly declare, "We can certainly conquer it"? Why did 85-year-old Caleb still have the fire to take cities?

Because they believed firmly that **God's** promises never fail.

Every promise is written in Scripture, placed before you, prepared for you. If you believe it—it's yours. If you claim it—it's yours. If you declare it—it's yours. How can you not win?

5. Loving and Leading Your Family – <u>Joshua</u> 15:19; 24:15

Joshua 15:19 She replied, "Do me a special favor. Since you have given me land in the Negev, give me also springs of water." So Caleb gave her the upper and lower springs.

24:15 But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

Caleb gave his daughter both the upper and lower springs—showing his deep love and care for her.

Joshua proclaimed, "As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

Such a public declaration reflects a family united in faith,

a godly home that stood as Joshua's strongest support.

He was a good husband and a good father. When you love and care for your family, your life becomes complete and beautiful!

Their End:

A life of joy, abundance, honor, love, grace, miracles, and victory!

∞Responsive Hymn

- † 奇妙事必定要成就 Miracles Are Coming
- □ Open up my eyes.

To behold your marvelous deeds.

Water turning to wine at your command. Lord, by your word, you make all things new.

Restore my soul, Lord, once again.

To rely on your matchless grace.

Lord, I know for certain you're here with me. Miracles fill my life every day.

✓ I will hold on tight to your promises. You accomplish more than I ask or conceive. I will make the most of Every opportunity you bring.

☐ I will follow every step that you lead Confident my future is safe in your hands. Never ceasing in prayer, as the spirit empower. Miracles are coming our way.

得勝的宣告 You Are My Victory

- By faith, I can see the promised land ahead By faith, I will follow You 'till the end. Take my unbelief and put my trust in You. In all battles, You're my victory.
- I will praise You, praise You, Jesus. Let Your blessings come down. I will praise You, praise You, Jesus. Let Your glorious grace abound.
- **%** Announcement
- **∞**The Lord's Prayer
- **∞**Doxology
- **%** 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.