



☞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:



† 獻上讚美祭 Sacrifice Of Praise

♪ [(Praise His holy name) *2

Praise the name above all names
Faithful to the end. Mercy never fails
Your love endures forevermore]

♪ This is our sacrifice of praise.
We are one in Your great love
all generations will come shout for joy
Counting our blessings and Your grace.
We will enter in Your gates
Let Your presence come down overflow

† 祂又真又活 He is Alive

♪ Joy, I need joy, need joy from the Lord;
joy, the decision of faith
Praise I need the praise lift my praise to Lord
Cause He reigns everything. He does everything
♪ Everything behind has the Lord's merciful hands
He sees You He does things He's really alive
In the Lord's timing.
beautiful things have been made
He knows You. He is able. He's really alive

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Jesus, Name Above All Names

♪ Jesus, Name above all names. Beautiful Savior,
glorious Lord! Emmanuel,
God is with us Blessed Redeemer, Living Word

☞Responsive Reading: Psalm 22:22-28

- 22** I will declare your name to my people; in the assembly I will praise you.
23 You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you descendants of Jacob, honor him! Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!
24 For he has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one; he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help.
25 From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly; before those who fear you^[a] I will fulfill my vows.
26 The poor will eat and be satisfied; those who seek the LORD will praise him— may your hearts live forever!
27 All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him,
28 for dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations.

☞Praise

† 榮耀歸於真神 To God be the glory

- ♪ To God be the glory, great things he hath done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.
♪ O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.
♪ Great things he hath taught us,
great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Refrain:

(Praise the Lord)*2, let the earth hear his voice!
(Praise the Lord)*2, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

☞Special Music

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Jesus, Lord of All, Most Beautiful

- ♪ Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all creation,
True and living God, who came as man to dwell.
The One my heart adores,
my soul bows down before You,
my glory and my crown, my joy no tongue can tell.
♪ Fair are the meadows, fairer still the pastures,
Clothed in springtime green, bright with colors new.
Yet Jesus is purer, Jesus far more lovely,
He makes the sorrowed heart sing praises ever true.
♪ Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
Stars in heaven shine, dazzling in the sky.
Yet Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines more radiant,
All angelic glory fails Him to outshine.

Refrain

The One my heart adores,
my soul bows down before You,
My glory and my crown, my joy forevermore.

Chorus

- Your Name is full of beauty, my Lord,
Your Name is full of beauty.
Heaven and earth proclaim this holy Name,
Your Name is full of beauty. (repeat x2)
♪ Now I lift my eyes and gaze into the heavens,
See Your wondrous works,
Your hands have formed them all.
Your people join as one to lift our songs of praise,
Silencing the foe, causing him to fall.
Creation shows Your power, crowned with majesty,
Yet You still care and love.
This humble one in need. (Chorus)
♪ One day the trumpet sounds,
the saints who sleep shall rise,
With the chosen ones You called as Your own.
With one voice we proclaim our praise and adoration,
Singing joyful hallelujahs before the throne.

Angels join in chorus, all creation bows,
Worshiping as one,
Praising Christ, the King of kings. (Chorus)
♪ Beautiful Name, so beautiful,
(Your Name is full of beauty, my Lord,
Your Name is full of beauty)

☞ **Scripture Reading: James 3:17–18**

17 But the wisdom that comes from above is first pure, then peace-loving, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.

18 And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

☞ **Sermon: “Children of Wisdom” ~ Pastor Dong**

1 John 3:2–10 Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

3 All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

4 Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness.

5 But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin.

6 No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him.

7 Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

8 The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil’s work.

9 No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God’s seed remains in them; they cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of God.

10 This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not God’s child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister.

2 Corinthians 6:6 in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love;

2 Corinthians 7:11 See what this godly sorrow has produced in you: what earnestness, what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what alarm, what longing, what concern, what readiness to see justice done. At every point you have proved yourselves to be innocent in this matter.

Hebrews 12:11 No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

1 Peter 2:18 Slaves, in reverent fear of God submit yourselves to your masters, not only to those who are good and considerate, but also to those who are harsh.

Philippians 4:5 Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.

James 1:17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

James 3:2–13 We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check.

3 When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal.

4 Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go.

5 Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark.

6 The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one’s life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.

7 All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind,

8 but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

9 With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God’s likeness.

10 Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be.

11 Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring?

12 My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

13 Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.

James 3:14–16 But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth.

15 Such “wisdom” does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.

16 For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

James 4:8 Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Luke 10:37 The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

Luke 23:50 Now there was a man named Joseph, a member of the Council, a good and upright man,

Matthew 7:17 Likewise, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit.

18 A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit.

Matthew 25:21 “His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’

Acts 4:36 Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means “son of encouragement”),

Acts 11:24 He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord.

Acts 23:1 Paul looked straight at the Sanhedrin and said, “My brothers, I have fulfilled my duty to God in all good conscience to this day.”

Ephesians 4:29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

Galatians 6:10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

1 Timothy 1:5 The goal of this command is love, which comes from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

2 Timothy 1:5 I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

Romans 12:9 Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

Psalms 19:7-14 The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

8 The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous.

10 They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.

11 By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

12 But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults.

13 Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me.
Then I will be blameless, innocent of great transgression.

14 May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Proverbs 25:11–12; 18:20–21 Like apples[a] of gold in settings of silver is a ruling rightly given.

12 Like an earring of gold or an ornament of fine gold is the rebuke of a wise judge to a listening ear.

18:20 From the fruit of their mouth a person’s stomach is filled; with the harvest of their lips they are satisfied.

21 The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

What is the nature of the “wisdom” possessed by the children of wisdom? Why must we pursue the wisdom that comes from above and become children of wisdom of the highest order?

How, then, are we to live out wisdom?

I. The Nine Qualities of Wisdom — (James 3:17–18)

1. Pure: Self-cleansing, holiness, chastity — (1 John 3:2–10; 2 Corinthians 7:11)

Holiness like that of Jesus — **(1 John 3:2–3),**

which comes from sincere repentance — **(2 Corinthians 7:11).**

2. Peace-loving: Calmness and peace

A firm trust in God and obedience to Him result in peace, calmness, and stability. Example: Joshua and Caleb — **(Hebrews 12:11)** — discipline from God).

3. Gentle: Kind, mild, humble, gracious, and tolerant — (1 Peter 2:18; Philippians 4:5)

Showing humility toward all people; able to be gracious, gentle, and submissive even under harsh authority.

4. Willing to Yield: Teachable and open to counsel — (James 3:17)

5. Full of Mercy:

(1) Showing mercy when punishment or judgment could be imposed — **(James 2:13)**

(2) Crossing barriers to actively love others — **(Luke 10:37)**

“Full of mercy” means abundant, sufficient, and all-encompassing mercy.

6. Full of Good Fruits: — (Matthew 25:21; Luke 23:50; Acts 11:24; Matthew 7:17; James 1:17; Acts 23:1)

“Good fruits” means excellence— goodness inwardly and outwardly, in character and conduct, in every dimension of life.

7. Impartial: Upright and just

Partiality: means bias, injustice, which produces oppression, confusion, harm, and sin.

Walking on the right path, living by the truth, walking with God, continually growing upward, gaining God’s favor and people’s trust.

8. Sincere: — (2 Timothy 1:5; Romans 12:9; 2 Corinthians 6:6)

“Sincerity” means without pretense— not fake, not false, not hypocritical, but genuine and truthful.

9. Peacemaking: — (James 3:18)

A wholehearted pursuit of harmony, peace, and reconciliation, actively building peace and unity.

Those who make peace not only bring reconciliation and peace to others, but also possess the wisdom that comes from heaven.

Earthly Wisdom vs. Heavenly Wisdom: The very core of earthly wisdom is bitter envy and selfish ambition (James 3:14–16).

The very core of heavenly wisdom is peace and reconciliation (James 3:17–18).

Actions driven by envy and strife become fertile ground for earthly and demonic wisdom to grow.

Actions that promote peace and reconciliation are the richest soil for cultivating heavenly wisdom.

II. Heavenly Wisdom Brings Great Blessing to Individuals and the World — (James 3:2–18)

Heavenly wisdom enables a person to:

1. Control the Tongue:— (Proverbs 25:11–12; 18:20)

2. Be Set Free: From bondage to selfish desires, misguided prayers, moral compromise, friendship with the world, and hostility toward God.

Freed from hearts filled with jealous ambition, receiving humility, drawing near to God with no distance, and enjoying the grace God gives.

Rejecting and escaping the sin of “friendship with the world that results in enmity with God,” and rejecting pride that places one among those whom God opposes.

Instead, enjoying God’s nearness and the elevation He grants.

III. The Secret to Living Out Heavenly Wisdom — (James 4:8)

Do you want to become a child of wisdom? The secret: Draw near to God. (James 4:8)

Actions that Draw Us Near to God:

1. Humble yourself before the Lord; cleanse yourself and repent sincerely.
2. Submit to God—at all times and in all things—rejecting demonic wisdom.
3. Resist the devil—immediately rejecting temptations, deceptive thoughts, ideas, and words.

Those who humble themselves, cleanse themselves, and repent before the Lord naturally experience God’s nearness. Those who submit to God are already drawing near to Him. Those who resist the devil are, by nature, coming close to God.

Heavenly wisdom gives us a new beginning, leading us onto the bright path of wisdom, walking with God, enjoying God, and greatly glorifying Him.

Rise up and become children of wisdom—children of maturity and completeness.

🔊 Responsive Hymn

🔊 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.

