

# Welcome to our Remote Service

# Sunday 22nd November 2020

Romans 8:12-17 - Children of God

Welcome: David Horrocks

# Psalm 150

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD.
  - Praise God in his sanctuary;
- praise him in his mighty heavens.
- <sup>2</sup> Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.
- <sup>3</sup> Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre,
- <sup>4</sup> praise him with tambourine and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe,
- <sup>5</sup> praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals.
- <sup>6</sup> Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.

# Song

 PRAISE, MY SOUL, the King of heaven; To His feet thy tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like me His praise should sing? Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise the everlasting King!

 Praise Him for His grace and favour To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same forever, Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Glorious in His faithfulness. 3. Father-like, He tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame He knows; In His hands He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Widely as His mercy flows.

 Angels help us to adore Him; Ye behold Him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before Him, Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise with us the God of grace! Ben Logan Henry Francis Lyte © 2003 Lorenz Publishing Company

# Confession

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to change what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen

# Song

FATHER GOD, I wonder how I managed to exist Without the knowledge of Your parenthood and Your loving care. But now I am Your child, I am adopted in Your family, And I can never be alone, 'Cause Father God, You're there beside me.

I will sing Your praises, I will sing Your praises, I will sing Your praises, Forever more. I will sing Your praises, I will sing Your praises, I will sing Your praises, Forever more.

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### Prayers

### Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### Reading: Romans 8:5-17

<sup>5</sup>Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. <sup>6</sup>The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup> You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of <sup>[1]</sup> his Spirit who lives in you.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation – but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

<sup>14</sup> For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. <sup>15</sup> The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, '*Abba*, Father.' <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. <sup>17</sup> Now if we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

Sermon: Julian Bidgood - Children of God

### Song

OH, THE MERCY OF GOD, the glory of grace, That You chose to redeem us, to forgive and restore, And You call us Your children, chosen in Him To be holy and blameless to the glory of God.

To the praise of His glorious grace, To the praise of His glory and power; To Him be all glory, honour and praise Forever and ever and ever, amen. Oh, the richness of grace, the depths of His love, In Him is redemption, the forgiveness of sin. You called us as righteous, predestined in Him For the praise of His glory, included in Christ.

To the praise of His glorious grace, To the praise of His glory and power; To Him be all glory, honour and praise Forever and ever and ever, amen.

Oh, the glory of God expressed in His Son, His image and likeness revealed to us all; The plea of the ages completed in Christ, That we be presented perfected in Him.

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#### **Final Prayer**

# **Next Week**

We will continue our series in Romans 8, and David Horrocks will be preaching on verses 18-27.