

Welcome to our Remote Service Sunday 14th June 2020 Acts – the Unstoppable word of God

Welcome: Julian Bidgood

Song:

The splendour of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice

How great is our God! Sing with me How great is our God! And all will see How great, how great is our God!

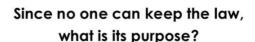
And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End
The Godhead, three in one
Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb
How great is our God! Sing with me...

Name above all names Worthy of all praise My heart will sing How great is our God! (repeat)

How great is our God! Sing with me...

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Confession:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much our own desires and have not loved You with our whole hearts. We have broken Your holy laws. We have left undone what we ought to have done, and we have done what we ought not to have done and we deserve Your judgment against us. O Lord, have mercy on us helpless sinners. Help us to turn back to You, and restore those who truly repent, as You have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord. And grant, merciful Father, for His sake, that we may live a godly and righteous life, to the praise of Your holy name. Amen.

Song:

Hold the power of the universe in your hand Hold the words that shaped the sky and sea and land The King has given words to us, to tell us what he's like Open up your ears and let his Spirit strike

It's a light and a hammer
It's a fire and a sword
It's the voice of our Father
The word of the Lord
The blade of the Spirit can cut to the soul
And God will use it to make us whole

Hear the news of the promised king who came to save Hear the news of Jesus who rose from the grave Our King has come to live on earth and rescue us from sin Open up your mind and let his Spirit in

It's a light and a hammer...

Know the name of Jesus Christ that makes us new Know the Son of God, the Word whose word is true Our King has spoken to us, so there is no place for pride He gives hearts of flesh and changes us inside

It's a light and a hammer...

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Prayers: Annie Venables

Song:

Behold the power of his word:
 He spoke – creation came to be;
 I will trust his promise.
 He hung the stars – a guarantee:
 His word is strong enough for me;
 I will trust his promise.

Generations rise, generations fall But his word is living, And his word is sure Evermore, evermore, evermore

There is salvation in his word:
 His voice has called us from the grave;
 I will trust his promise.
 We are surrounded by his grace
 Here in the midst of those he's saved;
 I will trust his promise.

Generations rise, generations fall...

Our eyes have seen
Our ears have heard
We are a witness to
The power of your word
So we will tell
Your promises are good
In Jesus Christ we have
Your every word fulfilled

Our eyes have seen...

Generations rise, generations fall...

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Reading: Acts 3:1-26 - Josh Conaghan

- ¹ One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. ² Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. ³ When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. ⁴ Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" ⁵ So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.
- ⁶ Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." ⁷ Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong. ⁸ He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. ⁹ When all the people saw him walking and praising God, ¹⁰ they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.
- ¹¹ While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. ¹² When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. ¹⁴ You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. ¹⁵ You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. ¹⁶ By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

¹⁷ "Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. ¹⁸ But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saving that his Messiah would suffer. 19 Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, 20 and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus. ²¹ Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets. ²² For Moses said, 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you must listen to everything he tells you. ²³ Anyone who does not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.'

²⁴ "Indeed, beginning with Samuel, all the prophets who have spoken have foretold these days. ²⁵ And you are heirs of the prophets and of the covenant God made with your fathers. He said to Abraham, 'Through your offspring all peoples on earth will be blessed.' ²⁶ When God raised up his servant, he sent him first to you to bless you by turning each of you from your wicked ways."

Talk: David Horrocks

Song:

- 1. My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who bore my pain: Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace And gave me life again; Who crushed my curse of sinfulness, And clothed me with His light, And wrote His law of righteousness With power upon my heart.
- 2. My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who walks beside: Who floods my weaknesses with strength And causes fears to fly: Whose every promise is enough For every step I take, Sustaining me with arms of love And crowning me with grace.
- 3. My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who reigns above: Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, Whose every thought is love. For every day I have on earth Is given by the King. So I will give my life, my all, To love and follow Him.

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Next Week

We continue the series 'Acts – the Unstoppable word of God' and David Horrocks will be speaking on Acts 4:4:1-31.

Question 15 answer: That we may know the holy nature of God, and the sinful nature of our hearts: and thus our need of a Saviour.





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