

Welcome to our Remote Service Sunday 12th July 2020 Acts – the Unstoppable word of God

Welcome: David Horrocks

Song:

- 1. All creatures of our God and King Lift up your voice and with us sing O praise Him! Allelujah! Thou, burning sun with golden beam Thou, silver moon with softer gleam O praise Him! O praise Him! Allelujah! Allelujah!
- 2. Let all things their Creator bless And worship Him in humbleness O praise Him! Allelujah! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One O praise Him! O praise Him! Allelujah! Allelujah!
- 3. All the redeemed washed by His blood Come and rejoice in His great love O praise Him! Allelujah! Christ has defeated every sin Cast all your burdens now on Him O praise Him! O praise Him! Allelujah! Allelujah!
- 4. He shall return in pow'r to reign Heaven and earth will join to say O praise Him! Allelujah! Then who shall fall on bended knee? All creatures of our God and King O praise Him! O praise Him! Allelujah! Allelujah!

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Is there any way to escape punishment and be brought back into God's favour?



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:

I'm gonna trust in God, I'm gonna trust in Jesus Without shame and without fear. I'm gonna fix my eyes On the hope of glory, For His day is drawing near.

How great is the love of God, How steady is His hand To guide me through this world. And though I am weak, in Him I stand, And you will hear me say today, In faith, I'm gonna trust in God.

Now when the cares of life Seem overwhelming, And my heart is sinking down, I'm gonna lift my hands To the One who'll help me, To the One who holds my crown.

How great is the love of God...

Steve Earl

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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.

Prayers: Lisa Horrocks

Song:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus Look full in His wonderful face And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of His glory and grace

Turn your eyes to the hillside Where justice and mercy embraced There the Son of God gave His life for us And our measureless debt was erased

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes Jesus, our glory and our prize We adore You, behold You, our Saviour ever true Oh Jesus. we turn our eyes to You

Turn your eyes to the morning
And see Christ the Lion awake
What a glorious dawn, fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins

Jesus. to You we lift our eyes...

Turn your eyes to the heavens Our King will return for His own Every knee will bow, every tongue will shout, 'All glory to Jesus alone!'

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes...

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Reading: Acts 6:1-7 - Mark Quirk

¹ In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenistic Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. ² So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, "It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables. ³ Brothers and sisters, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them ⁴ and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word."

⁵This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas from Antioch, a convert to Judaism. ⁶They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

⁷ So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith.

Talk: Alex Richardson

Song:

- 1. Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea, A great High Priest whose name is Love. Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart: I know that while in heaven He stands No power can force me to depart. No power can force me to depart.
- 2. When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Saviour died. My sinful soul is counted free: For God the Just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me. To look on Him and pardon me.
- Behold Him there! The risen Lamb, My spotless, sinless righteousness; The great unchangeable I AM. The King of glory and of grace! One with Himself I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood: My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Saviour and my God, With Christ my Saviour and my God.

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Final Prayer

Next Week

Our series 'Acts – the Unstoppable word of God' continues and David Horrocks will be speaking on Acts 6:8-8:3.

Question 19 answer: Yes, God reconciles us to himself by a Redeemer.



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