

### PRAYER SERVICE WEDNESDAY, MAY 20<sup>TH</sup>, 7PM

Join us on our <u>Facebook Page</u> at **7:00pm** for a Live Video. If you do not have Facebook, you can use this guide to pray with us on your own wherever you are and a recording of the service will be shared later.

## • <u>INTRO</u>

Tonight, we are simply going to soak in the word of God and the presence of God as we worship and pray. Life is challenging. This season is hard. We grow weary; our souls get weathered and worn. But, "there is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells," (Psalm 46) and there is a "stream of water welling up to eternal life," (John 4) for those who come to Jesus. So, we join together once again, from wherever we are, to access that living water through the word and through prayer. We come to the Lover of our souls to be restored and equipped for His service. What a priceless gift to know Jesus intimately, may we press on even deeper tonight. Let's begin with worship.

## • SONGS

"In the Garden" - Click Here https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hmez1MAd1KI

## VERSE 1

I come to the garden alone While the dew is still on the roses And the voice I hear falling on my ear The Son of God discloses

## CHORUS

And He walks with me And He talks with me And He tells me I am His own And the joy we share as we tarry there None other has ever known

## VERSE 2

He speaks and the sound of His voice Is so sweet the birds hush their singing And the melody that He gave to me Within my heart is ringing

## VERSE 3

I'd stay in the garden with Him Tho' the night around me be falling But He bids me go thro' the voice of woe His voice to me is calling

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### "Way Maker" - Click Here https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=29IxnsqOkmQ

## VERSE 1

You are here moving in our midst I worship You I worship You You are here working in this place I worship You I worship You

## CHORUS

(You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

## VERSE 2

You are here touching ev'ry heart I worship You I worship You You are here healing ev'ry heart I worship You I worship You

### VERSE 3

You are here turning lives around I worship You I worship You You are here mending ev'ry heart I worship You yeah I worship You Lord

#### BRIDGE

Even when I don't see it You're working Even when I don't feel it You're working You never stop You never stop working You never stop You never stop working

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## <u>SCRIPTURE</u>

### Philippians 3:7-11

<sup>7</sup> But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in<sup>[a]</sup> Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

#### PRAYER

Meditate on these God-breathed words of Scripture. In this moment, set all else aside and let yourself be immersed in His life-changing truth. Seek Jesus and open the door of your heart to Him.

What do you need to let go of? What in your life is competing with the authority and worth of Christ?

Jesus, we want to know you, the real you. Reveal to us who you really are and set our hearts on your presence.

## • <u>SONGS</u>

"Come Thou Fount" - Click Here <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y5xEMwo8x-M">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y5xEMwo8x-M</a>

## VERSE 1

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing Tune my heart to sing Thy grace Streams of mercy never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it Mount of Thy redeeming love

## VERSE 2

Here I raise mine Ebenezer Hither by Thy help I'm come And I hope by Thy good pleasure Safely to arrive at home Jesus sought me when a stranger Wand'ring from the fold of God He to rescue me from danger Interposed His precious blood

## VERSE 3

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee Prone to wander Lord I feel it Prone to leave the God I love Here's my heart Lord take and seal it Seal it for Thy courts above

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"Hallelujah Here Below" - Click Here https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pp\_bl6Q\_tsA

#### VERSE 1

We are an altar of broken stones But You delight in the offering You have the heavens to call Your home But You abide in the song we sing

## VERSE 2

Ten thousand angels surround Your throne To bring You praise that will never cease But hallelujah from here below Is still Your favorite melody

## CHORUS

We sing Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah

## VERSE 3

And should the fire that once burned bright Become an ember my eyes can't see I will remember Your sacrifice I will abide in Your love for me

## BRIDGE

Jesus Christ our King enthroned All the praise is Yours, forevermore Hallelujah here below All the praise is Yours, forevermore

## VERSE 4

Oh what a wonderful day to come When every knee bows before Your Name But we will not wait until it does For here and now shall Your Kingdom reign

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# • <u>SCRIPTURE</u>

## Philippians 3:12-14

<sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. <sup>13</sup> Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

## • PRAYER

Meditate on these words. How is the Spirit speaking to your heart right now?

Jesus, show us what you have taken hold of us for. You have made yourself completely accessible to us by the power of your Cross, your triumph over the grave, and your gift of the Holy Spirit—teach us how to take hold of you in this moment and in every moment.

Where do you find weariness in your life right now? Where do you need God's strength to press on in this race?

Lord, turn our attention heavenward. Give us the gift of perseverance.

## BLESSING

For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. (Ephesians 3:14-21)