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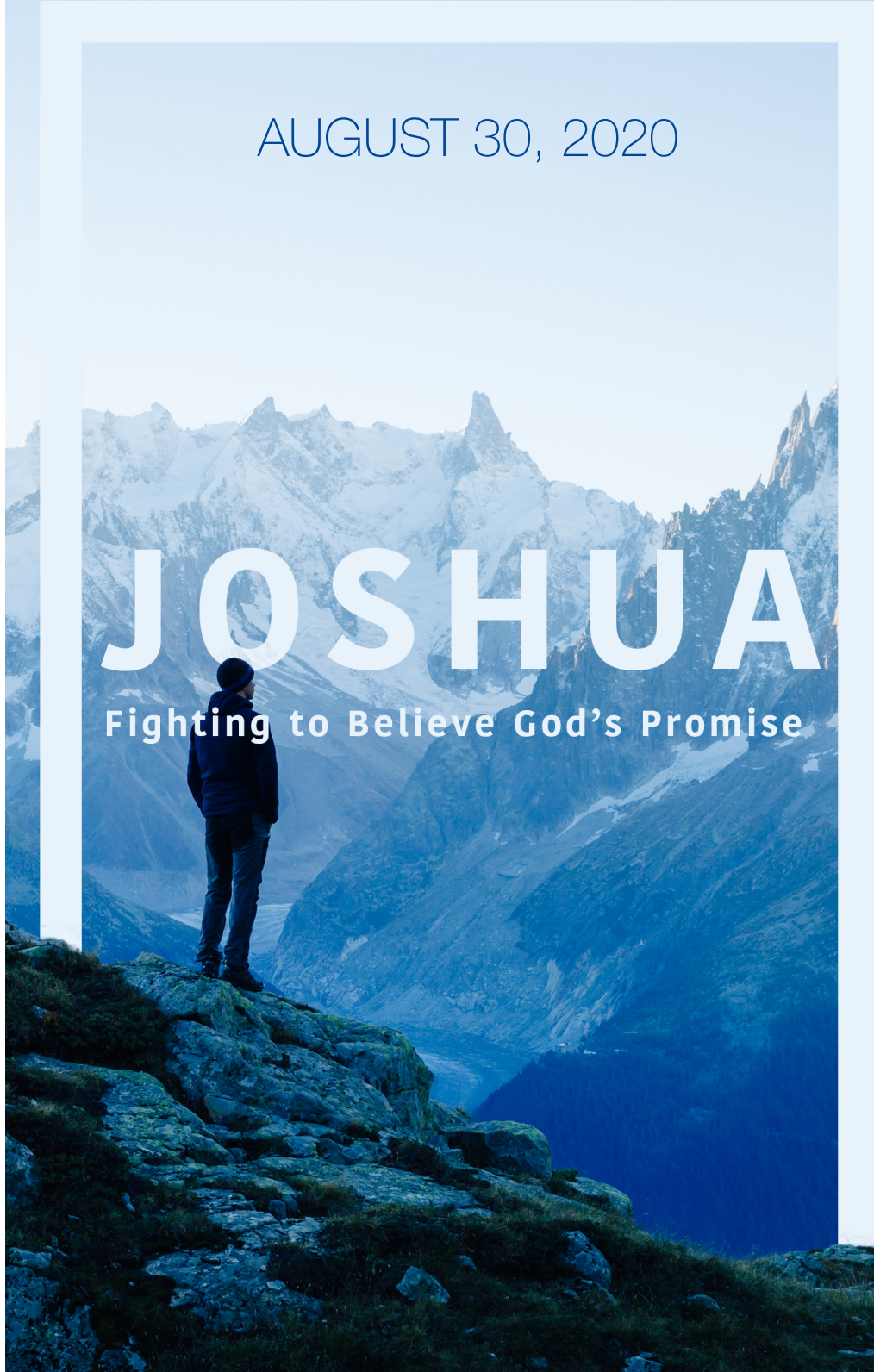
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AUGUST 30, 2020

JOSHUA

Fighting to Believe God's Promise



welcome

our purpose

We are delighted that you joined us today! Our purpose is to glorify God by making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ. Our ministry vision is to love God with all that we are, and love others as much as we love ourselves.

As you worship with us today, you'll notice how often we reference the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We don't have it all figured out, but we know that God saves sinners through faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Please join us as we exalt God by singing about his greatness and as we seek to know more about him from the Bible.

the gospel

You will hear us talk about the gospel a lot. Actually it is the center of everything we do here at Highlands.

1. **God** - the only all-knowing, all-powerful King and Creator of all things. He created us to enjoy and glorify him forever. [Psalm 19:1-2; Romans 1:18-32]
2. **Sin** - Yet, we rejected God, and established ourselves as gods of our lives, separating ourselves from Him, and becoming objects of His wrath. In so doing we also unleashed sin, sickness, death and evil. [Ephesians 2:1-3; Romans 5:12-14]
3. **Christ** - In God's unparalleled mercy and grace, He already had a plan to reconcile us to Himself. The entire Old Testament points to the coming of the Messiah - revealed in the New Testament as Jesus Christ. [John 1; Ephesians 2:4-7; Romans 3:21-26]
4. **Response** - None of this is effective for us unless we respond in two ways: repent/turn from our self control and sin [Mark 1:15], and believe in the gospel [John 3:16-18]. We are then given new life in Christ, forgiven, justified, adopted into God's family, and we persevere in the faith. [1 John 1:9; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Matthew 24:13; Ephesians 4:1]

calendar

- See the Events Page on our website or app for more info!
- Sundays 9:30am - Livestream Worship Service - Facebook live
- Mondays 7:00pm - Care Group - ZOOM
- Wednesdays - Men's Bible Study - 7am via Zoom
- Thursdays - Sunday Preview and Prayer with Pastor Mike - FB/Instagram
- Fridays - Women's Ministry Minute - FB/Instagram
- **Baptism Service - TODAY, after service. Directions on back table.**
- Member Meeting - Sunday, September 6th at 6pm
- MidWeek Study - Starting Wednesday, Sept 16th

finances

General Offering - July '20	\$17,938.45
Designated Gifts - July '20	\$649.97
YTD General Offering thru July '20	\$156,323.83
2020 Budget	\$322,562.00

Thank you so much for your generous gifts to the ministry of the church at Highlands. During this unprecedented time you can still continue to give online at www.HighlandsBibleChurch.org/Resources/Give

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worship guide

August 30, 2020

Our sermon passage today is from Joshua 10. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:

COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“Then the LORD said to Abram, “Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions. As for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age. And they shall come back here in the fourth generation, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”

[Geneis 15:13-16 ESV]

CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Consider miracles - What is a miracle? Do you believe them? Why or why not?
- What was Joshua’s place in God’s “big plan?” What is yours?
- Think about God’s justice - What is it? What is difficult about it? How does the gospel relate to God’s justice? [Hint: See Romans 3:21-26]
- Consider God’s judgment - What is it? How can we trace it through what is happening now with Canaan and Israel? How will we see it in the future?
- How can you help someone struggling with the tough nature of the Canaan conquest and point them to Jesus?
- NEXT WEEK’S PASSAGE: Joshua 11

SING

I Will Glory in My Redeemer | Grace Unmeasured | Behold Our God |
Before the Throne of God Above | In Christ Alone

sermon notes

August 30, 2020

JOSHUA 10

Flying Rocks and Frozen Clocks

1. What? [10:1-15]

God’s plan will continue.

2. Head and Neck [10:16-28]

God’s justice will be done.

3. Southern Conquest [10:29-43]

God’s judgment will come.

VERSE 1

**I will glory in my Redeemer
Whose priceless blood
has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails,
And hung Him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer
Who crushed the power of sin and death.
My only Savior before the holy Judge,
The Lamb who is my righteousness,
The Lamb who is my righteousness.**

VERSE 2

**I will glory in my Redeemer
My life He bought, my love He owns.
I have no longings for another
I'm satisfied in Him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer
His faithfulness, my standing place.
Though foes are mighty
And rush upon me,
My feet are firm, held by His grace,
My feet are firm, held by His grace.**

VERSE 3

**I will glory in my Redeemer
Who carries me on eagles' wings.
He crowns my life with loving-kindness
His triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer
Who waits for me at gates of gold.
And when He calls me, it will be paradise
His face forever to behold,
His face forever to behold!**

Verse 1

**Grace unmeasured vast and free
That knew me from eternity
That called me out before my birth
To bring You glory on this earth**

**Grace amazing pure and deep
That saw me in my misery
That took my curse and owned my blame
So I could bear Your righteous name**

Chorus 1

**Grace paid for my sins
And brought me to life
Grace clothes me with power
To do what is right**

**Grace will lead me to heaven
Where I'll see Your face
And never cease
To thank You for Your grace**

Verse 2

**Grace abounding strong and true
That makes me long to be like You
That turns me from my selfish pride
To love the cross on which You died**

**Grace unending all my days
You'll give me strength to run this race
And when my years on earth are through
The praise will all belong to You**

Chorus 1

**Grace paid for my sins
And brought me to life
Grace clothes me with power
To do what is right**

**Grace will lead me to heaven
Where I'll see Your face
And never cease
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Verse 1

**Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice.**

Chorus 1

**Behold our God seated on His throne,
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare,
Come let us adore Him.**

Verse 2

**Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?**

**Who can teach the One
Who knows all things?
Who can fathom
All His wondrous deeds?**

Chorus 1

**Behold our God seated on His throne,
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare,
Come let us adore Him.**

Verse 3

**Who has felt the nails upon His hand,
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave
Jesus Savior risen now to reign!**

Chorus 1

**Behold our God seated on His throne,
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare,
Come let us adore Him!**

Bridge

**You will reign forever
(Let Your glory fill the earth)**

Chorus 1

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Verse 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 heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart**

Verse 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 Savior 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**

Verse 3

**Behold Him there the risen Lamb,
my perfect spotless 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 hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God,
with Christ my Savior and My God**

Verse 1

**In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the
Fiercest drought and storm**

**What heights of love
What depths of peace
When fears are stilled
When strivings cease**

**My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand**

Verse 2

**In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save**

**Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live**

Verse 3

**There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again**

**And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ**

**On Christ the Solid Rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand**

All other ground is sinking sand

**On Christ the Solid Rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand**

Verse 4

**No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny**

**No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand**

**No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand**

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