

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

MARCH 20, 2022

Gathering to Worship

Prelude *Please silence all phones and electronic device as we prepare to worship our great God*

Welcome and Announcements Dee Hammond, *Pastor of Missions and Evangelism*

The Song of Ascent *God's people sang together as they gathered and traveled together up to Jerusalem to worship God.*

To the Ends of the Earth

You are holy and just so gracious to us,
How could we withhold your praise?
You are faithful and wise so majestic O Christ
You are worthy to be proclaimed.

To the ends of the earth you are Lord.
From the heavens all glory is yours.
We exalt you O Christ as we carry your light
To the ends of the earth, O Lord.

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Kids of the Kingdom *The Lord is My Shepherd*

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship: "Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy!
—Psalm 67, 3-4a

Quieting of Hearts, Confession of Sin and Invocation

Declaring Our Faith: *Selected verses*

Leader: Engage until he comes. _

All: **Go therefore and make disciples of all nations. You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.**_

Leader: Engage until he comes. _

All: **And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.**_

Leader: Engage until he comes

All: **For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea... Distant nations will bow down to him, all of them in their own lands.**

Hymn of Praise *All Glory Be to Christ*

Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house, in vain its builders strive

To you who boast tomorrow's gain, tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn, all glory be to Christ!

*Refrain: All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing, all glory be to Christ!*

His will be done, His kingdom come, on earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread, praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy the thirsty without price
The water of eternal life, all glory be to Christ.

When on the day the great I Am, the faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain, is making all things new.
Behold our God shall live with us and be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er his people be, all glory be to Christ! (Refrain)

The nations of this world are blind, their rebel eyes are closed.
They miss his sov'reign ma-jesty, his splendor and his grace.
Our task is ever clear to us, His glory, we do see!
To make him known, his praise we sing, all Glory be to Christ.

Commit your heart, your prayers, your gold, to the unfinished task
No sacrifice for Him's too great, He gave his life for us.
So boldly magnify the Lord, his gracious love proclaim
That all may join us as we sing, all glory be to Christ.

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CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE

Mission Moment

Pastoral Prayer

Our Gifts to God

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Doxology and Prayer

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hymn of Testimony

Facing a Task Unfinished

(Children ages three through 3rd grade may be escorted to Children's Church)

Facing a task unfinished That drives us to our knees-
A need that, undiminished Rebukes our slothful ease.
We, who rejoice to know Thee Renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee To go and make Thee known.

Where other lords beside Thee Hold their unhindered sway-
Where forces that defied Thee Defy Thee still today
With none to heed their crying For life, and love, and light,
Unnumbered souls are dying And pass into the night.

Refrain: *We go to all the world
With kingdom hope unfurled.
No other name has power to save
But Jesus Christ The Lord!*

We bear the torch that flaming Fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming That Jesus died and rose.
Ours is the same commission, The same glad message ours,
Fired by the same ambition, To Thee we yield our powers.

O Father who sustained them, O Spirit who inspired,
Savior, whose love constrained them To toil with zeal untired,
From cowardice defend us, From lethargy awake!
Forth on Thine errands send us To labor for Thy sake.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Luke 19.11-27

¹¹As they heard these things, he proceeded to tell a parable, because he was near to Jerusalem, and because they supposed that the kingdom of God was to appear immediately. ¹²He said therefore, "A nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and then return. ¹³Calling ten of his servants, he gave them ten minas, and said to them, 'Engage in business until I come. ¹⁴But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this man to reign over us.' ¹⁵When he returned, having received the kingdom, he ordered these servants to whom he had given the money to be called to him, that he might know what they had gained by doing business. ¹⁶The first came before him, saying, 'Lord, your mina has made ten minas more.' ¹⁷And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant! Because you have been faithful in a very little, you shall have authority over ten cities.' ¹⁸And the second came, saying, 'Lord, your mina has made five minas.' ¹⁹And he said to him, 'And you are to be over five cities.' ²⁰Then another came, saying, 'Lord, here is your mina, which I kept laid away in a handkerchief; ²¹for I was afraid of you, because you are a severe man. You take what you did not deposit, and reap what you did not sow.' ²²He said to him, 'I will condemn you with your own words, you wicked servant! You knew that I was a severe man, taking what I did not deposit and reaping what I did not sow? ²³Why then did you not put my money in the bank, and at my coming I might have collected it with interest?' ²⁴And he said to those who stood by, 'Take the mina from him, and give it to the one who has the ten minas.' ²⁵And they said to him, 'Lord, he has ten minas!' ²⁶'I tell you that to everyone who has, more will be given, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. ²⁷But as for these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slaughter them before me.'"

All: *The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God will stand forever.*

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

Staying Engaged Until He Comes

Pastor John

Series: *Mission Conference 2022 Engage Until He Comes*

OUR RESPONSE

Prayer of Application

Receiving Faith Promise and Prayer Promise Cards

Hymn of Response

What Grace is Mine

What grace is mine that He who dwells in endless light
Called through the night to find my distant soul

And from his scars poured mercy that would plead for me
That I might live and in his name be known

Refrain: *So I will go wherever He is calling me*

I lose my life to find my life in Him

I give my all to gain the hope that never dies

I bow my heart, take up my cross and follow Him

What grace is mine to know His breath alive in me
Beneath his wings my wakened soul may soar
All fear can flee for death's dark night is overcome
My Savior lives and reigns forevermore

Benediction and Threefold Amen



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CMPC Sermon Notes for March 20, 2022

- **Series:** Engage Until He Comes
- **Message:** Staying Engaged Until He Comes
- **Text:** 2 Corinthians 9:1-9

- What Robert Moffat saw and its impact
- A parable based in reality: the saga of King Archelaus
- The punchline for us: Engage until he comes

The Perspective of Time

- The Coming Kingdom
 - Now!
 - Expect Jesus to enter Jerusalem, be lifted up/accepted by the nation, crowned as king, and would reestablish the kingdom of Israel.
- The reality: Lifted up to die, crown of thorns, and a spiritual kingdom.
 - Despite repeated proclamations, did not grasp the cross
- Already/Not yet
 - A Time Delay
 - The kingdom is not immediate....
 - Jesus going away for an indefinite period of time

The Presence of Opportunity

- What are we to do? Cf. Luke 19.10
- Empowered Servants
 - Followers of Jesus are entrusted with the Father's resources and are expected to engage in business
 - The King has high expectations of us
- Where our treasure is, there will our hearts be also.
- Our task is to reach the world with the proclamation of the gospel

The Persistence of Opposition

- Opposition to the King
 - Hostility towards Jesus and his mission will continue
 - Persecution
 - Obstruction
- The necessity of prayer

The Promise of the King's Return

- A day of joy
- Accounting
- Judgment
- A sense of urgency

So What About Us?

- Responsibility to go...
- Responsibility to send...
- What we need to see... updating Robert Moffat