

CRESTVIEW WORSHIP NOTES

**Sunday April 29, 2018 9:30am
MORNING WORSHIP**

PREPARATION MUSIC-Here is a Bible Study on the lyrics of this song.

How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure,

Ephesians 3:17-19 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; and that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the fullness of God.

That He should give His only Son To make a wreck His treasure.

Jesus said in John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

How great the pain of searing loss - The Father turns His face away,

Matthew 27:46 About the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory.

1 Peter 2:24 and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. Hebrew 2:9-10 But we do see Him who was made for a little while lower than the angels, namely, Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone. For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings.

Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;

1 Peter 2:24 and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.

Luke 23:35-37 And the people stood by, looking on. And even the rulers were sneering at Him, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if this is the Christ of God, His Chosen One." The soldiers also mocked Him, coming up to Him, offering Him sour wine and saying, "If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself!"

It was my sin that held Him there Until it was accomplished;

Hebrews 12:2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

His dying breath has brought me life - I know that it is finished.

1 Peter 3:18 For Christ also died for sins once for all, the just for the unjust, so that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit; John 19:30 Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

Verse 3:

I will not boast in anything, No gifts, no power, no wisdom;

Jeremiah 9:23-24 Thus says the LORD, "Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches; but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD who exercises lovingkindness, justice, and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things," declares the LORD.

But I will boast in Jesus Christ, his death and resurrection.

Paul says in Galatians 6:14 But may it never be that I would boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer;

Psalms 103:10-13 He [God] has not dealt with us according to our sins, Nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, So great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us. Just as a father has compassion on his children, So the LORD has compassion on those who fear Him.

But this I know with all my heart - His wounds have paid my ransom.

Matthew 20:28 "just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

CALL TO WORSHIP We begin worship with a "Trinity Hymn" which gives praise to God, Son, Spirit. Revelation 4:8—Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty who was, and is, and is to come". These are words of worship which believers will proclaim in heaven one day!

Leader: The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

People: We dwell in him and he in us.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

People: Make known his deeds among the peoples.

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him,

People: and speak of all his marvelous works.

Leader: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty,

People: who was and is and is to come!

HYMN Our worship reflects the depth of our relationship with God. We must worship God not only for what he is doing in our personal lives, but above all for who he is---his being, character, and deeds. This hymn continues our call to worship and offers praise to the Holy Trinity-God, Son, Spirit.

1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2

**Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore Thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.**

3

**Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
though the eye of sinful flesh Thy glory may not see,
only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.**

4

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

CONFESSION: Acts 1:8 *But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be My witnesses, telling people about Me everywhere - in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.* God has sent the Holy Spirit to us. We still try to do the Lord's work in our own power. We can be satisfied with the way things are

and suspicious of spiritual events we don't know about or are uncomfortable with. When this happens, God invites us to confess our sin, and gives us the Holy Spirit to prompt our confessions!

Leader: Almighty God, you sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith.

People: **We confess that we have failed to recognize and accept your most precious gift and power you offer us through the Holy Spirit. We have been satisfied with ordinary things, suspicious of unfamiliar things and blind to spiritual things.**

Leader: Cleanse us, Lord, with your Holy Spirit. Open us in faith to receive the renewing touch of your hand.

People: **God have mercy on us, by your Spirit draw us together. In flame us with a desire to do your will and be your faithful people for the sake of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Read Psalm 103:17 *But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children...*

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

People: **May the God of mercy, who forgives all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life!**

SCRIPTURE/SERMON Read Luke 11:11-13. Good fathers, even though they make mistakes, treat their children well. How much better our perfect heavenly Father treats his children! A most important gift he ever gives us is the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:1-4), which he promised to give to all believers after his death, resurrection, and return to heaven.

OFFERING MUSIC Read Isaiah 40:31--*but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.*

In ancient languages, the words "wind" and "spirit" are often translated from the same word. For example, the Hebrew word ruach, the Greek word pneuma, and the Latin word spiritus each mean both "wind" and "spirit." Just as eagles wait for the wind to bear them up, an eagle Christian is so sensitive to the movement of God's Spirit that he waits until he discerns the movement of the Spirit, and then gets with it. He's borne aloft. He rides wherever the Spirit takes him. It's not our hard work for God that's going to count; only that which the Spirit of God has accomplished through us will last. So many Christians are like so many birds: they're feverishly flapping their wings, doing good works for the Lord, propelling themselves along. They burn out before long; we just can't do God's work in our own strength. We have to let the Spirit carry us. When we minister in the power of his Spirit, we experience the words of Isaiah 40:31: "They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, Who abide in His shadow for life, Say to the Lord, "My Refuge, My Rock in Whom I trust." And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of His Hand. The snare of the fowler will never capture you, And famine will bring you no fear; Under His Wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield. And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of His Hand.

FINAL SONG Read Hebrews 1:1-2 *Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.* Read Matthew 10:20 *For the words you will speak will not be yours; they will come from the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.*

1

**God has spoken by His prophets, spoken his unchanging Word,
Each from age to age proclaiming God, the one, the righteous Lord.**

**In the world's despair and turmoil, One firm anchor holds us fast;
God is King, His throne eternal, God the first, and God the last.**

2

**God has spoken by Christ Jesus, Christ, the everlasting Son,
Brightness of the Father's glory, with the Father ever one;
Spoken by the Word incarnate, God of God, ere time was born,
Light of light, to earth descending, Christ as God in human form.**

3

**God is speaking by his Spirit, speaking to our hearts again;
In the ageless Word expounding God's own message, now as then;
Through the rise and fall of nations one sure faith yet standing fast,
God abides his Word unchanging, God the first, and God the last.**

SEE YOU SUNDAY IN WORSHIP