



October 18, 2020

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 136:1-4; 23-26**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
*for his steadfast love endures forever.*

2 Give thanks to the God of gods,  
*for his steadfast love endures forever.*

3 Give thanks to the Lord of lords,  
*for his steadfast love endures forever;*

4 to him who alone does great wonders,  
*for his steadfast love endures forever;*

23 It is he who remembered us in our low estate,  
*for his steadfast love endures forever;*

24 and rescued us from our foes,  
*for his steadfast love endures forever;*

25 he who gives food to all flesh,  
*for his steadfast love endures forever.*

26 Give thanks to the God of heaven,  
*for his steadfast love endures forever.*

**Come Thou Fount**

Come, thou Fount of every 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.

Here I raise my 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,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor

Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering 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.

Oh that day when freed from sinning  
I shall see Thy lovely face  
Clothed then in blood-washed linen  
How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace  
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry  
Take my ransomed soul away;  
Send thine angels now to carry  
Me to realms of endless day.

### **Thy Mercy**

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,  
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue;  
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last,  
Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast

Without Thy sweet mercy, I could not live here;  
Sin would reduce me to utter despair;  
But, through Thy free goodness, my spirit's revived,  
And He that first made me, still keeps me alive

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,  
Which wonders to feel, its own hardness depart;  
Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground,  
And weep to the praise, of the mercy I've found

Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,  
And the covenant love, of Thy crucified Son;  
All praise to the Spirit, whose whisper divine  
Seals mercy and pardon, and righteousness mine

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## **Membership of Dante and Shonda Covington**

### **My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less**

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name

CHORUS

On Christ the solid rock I stand  
All other ground is sinking sand  
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When darkness veils His lovely face  
I rest on His unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds with in the veil

CHORUS

His oath, His covenant His blood  
Support me in the whelming flood  
When all around my soul gives way  
He then is all my hope and stay

CHORUS

When he shall come with trumpet sound  
Oh may I then in Him be found  
Dressed in His righteousness alone  
Faultless to stand before the throne

CHORUS x2

### **Group Prayer**

#### **Acts 2:42-47**

42 And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. 43 And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. 44 And all who believed were together and had all things in common 45 And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46 And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

## **Sermon: The Gathering**

### **Christian Hearts In Love United**

Christian hearts in love united,  
Search to know God's holy will.  
Let his love, in us ignited,  
More and more our spirits fill.  
Christ the head, and we his members  
We reflect the light he is.  
Christ the master, we disciples  
He is ours and we are his.

Grant, Lord, that with your direction  
"Love each other" we comply.  
Help us live in true affection,  
Your love to exemplify.  
Let our mutual love be glowing  
Brightly so that all may view  
That we, as on one stem growing,  
Living branches are in you.

Come, then, living church of Jesus,  
Covenant with him anew.  
Unto him who conquered for us  
May we pledge our service true.  
May our lives reflect the brightness  
Of God's love in Jesus shown.  
To the world we then bear witness:  
We belong to God alone.

## **Communion**

### **The Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

## **God's Blessing**