

BY WAY OF SORROW

MILLER

You've been taken by the wind
 You have known the kiss of sorrow
 Doors that would not let you in, outcast and a stranger

All the nights that joy has slept
 Will awake to days of laughter
 Gone the tears that you have wept
 You'll dance in freedom ever after

You have come by way of sorrow
 You have come by way of tears, but you'll reach the destiny
 Meant to find you all these years
 Meant to find you all these years

You have come by way of sorrow
 You've come over a stony ground
 But when love calls out your name
 You will lay you burden down
 You will lay you burden down

You have drunk a bitter wine with none to be your comfort
 You who once were left behind will be welcome at love's table

You have come by way of sorrow
 You have come by way of tears
 But you'll reach the destiny
 Meant to find you all these years
 Meant to find you all these years

You have come by way of sorrow
 You have taken a long way home
 But the love that waits for you
 You will someday come to know
 You will one day come to know

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COME THOU FOUNT

ROBINSON

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

Jesus sought me when a stranger
 Wandering from the fold of God
 He to rescue me from danger
 Interposed his precious blood

Here I raise my Ebenezer
 Hither by thy help I'm come
 And I hope by thy good pleasure
 Safely to arrive at home

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
 Here's my heart Lord, take and seal it
 Seal it for thy courts above

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THOMAS/MAINZER

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 Psalm 27:1-3 | Acts 18:1-28

LIVING IN GOD'S STORY
A Study of the Book of Acts



"Why is it that some Christians cross land and sea, continents and cultures, as missionaries? What on earth impels them? It is not in order to commend a civilization, an institution or an ideology, but rather a person, Jesus Christ, whom they believe to be unique." -John Stott

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ANCIENT OF DAYS

Blessing and honor
 Glory and power
 Be unto the Ancient of Days
 From every nation, all of creation
 Bow before the Ancient of Days

Every tongue in heaven and earth
 Shall declare your glory
 Every knee shall bow
 At your throne, in worship

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SADLER/HARVILL

You will be exalted, O God
 and your kingdom shall not pass away
 Oh, Ancient of Days

Your kingdom shall reign
 Over all the earth
 Sing unto the Ancient of Days
 For none can compare to
 Your matchless worth
 Sing unto the Ancient of Days

WELCOME

Welcome to the Gathering Church. We are a church that is growing in doing three things well: being present to God in worship, being connected to each other in community, and being engaged in the world by serving and sharing God's love. Thank you for gathering this morning to worship the Lord.

LET ME SING

Let me sing for the breath
 That you've given
 Every day for the life you sustain
 The beat of the heart
 You formed when I was made
 Let me worship your wonder and splendor
 Though the heavens your glory proclaim
 They don't know the price you paid for my life, the
 Sacrifice you made

Let me sing louder than creation to you
 For the pain you bore in your body
 To bring my soul to you
 Let me shine brighter than the stars in the sky
 An offering of praise all my life
 To you my holy King, let me sing, let me sing

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FIELDS

Let me sing for the mercy you've given
 Undeserving and broken am I
 Though I've turned away
 Your faithfulness remains
 Let me live in the light of forever
 As I walk through the course of my days
 And join to proclaim with all of the saints
 The only worthy name

Let me sing, let me sing, let me sing

BLESSED ASSURANCE

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
 Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God
 Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood

This is my story, this is my song
 Praising my Savior all the day long
 This is my story, this is my song
 Praising my Savior all the day long

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CROSBY/KNAPP

Perfect submission, perfect delight
 Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
 Angels, descending, bring from above
 Echoes of mercy, whispers of love

Perfect submission, all is at rest
 I in my Savior am happy and blest
 Watching and waiting, looking above
 Filled with his goodness, lost in his love

SALVATION'S SONG

Loved before the dawn of time
 Chosen by my Maker, hidden in my Savior
 I am his and he is mine, cherished for eternity

When I'm stained with guilt and sin
 He is there to lift me, heal me and forgive me
 Gives me strength to stand again
 Stronger than I was before

So with every breath that I am given
 I will sing salvation's song
 And I'll join the chorus of creation
 Giving praise to Christ alone

All the chains of Satan's curse
 Lifted through his offering
 Satisfied through suffering
 All the blessings he deserves
 Poured on my unworthy soul

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DISMISSAL OF THE CHILDREN & THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

As the children are dismissed to participate in Gathering Kids activities, find someone you do not know, welcome them, and exchange a sign of Christ's welcome and peace. As the kids leave, please fill in the two center seating areas. There are bibles available for use on the back table if you didn't bring one.

SERMON NOTES

[Something I have learned.]

[Something I will share.]

COMMUNION

Come and receive of the feast that Jesus offers those who follow him. During this time, we remember Jesus' sacrifice and are nourished by his Body that was broken on the cross for us and Blood that was poured out for the sins of many. In front of the stage there is an area available for private prayer. There are also members of the congregation and Prayer Team available for prayer in the cafeteria during and after communion.

TOWNEND/SMALL

Singing glory, honor, wisdom, power
 To the Lamb upon the throne
 Hallelujah, I will lift him high
 Singing glory, honor, wisdom, power
 To the Lamb upon the throne
 Hallelujah, I will sing

With every breath that I am given
 I will sing salvation's song
 And I'll join the chorus of creation
 Giving praise to Christ alone

Stars will fade and mountains fall
 Christ will shine forever
 Love's unfading splendor
 Earth and heaven will bow in awe
 Joining in salvation's song