

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. In front of the stage there is an area available for kneeling and prayer. Feel free to take some time before and after receiving to pray.

LORD I NEED YOU

REEVES, STANFILL, MAHER, NOCKELS, CARSON

Lord, I come, I confess
 Bowing here, I find my rest
 Without You, I fall apart
 You're the One that guides my heart

Holiness, is Christ in me
 It's where You are, Lord, I am free
 Holiness is Christ in me
CHORUS

Lord, I need You, Oh, I need You

Every hour I need You

My one defense, my righteousness

Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more
 Where grace is found, is where You are
 And where You are, Lord, I am free

Teach my song to rise to You
 When temptation comes my way
 And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You
 Jesus, You're my hope and stay
 And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
 Jesus, You're my hope and stay

CHORUS

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PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW (DOXOLOGY)

THOMAS/MAINZER

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HAPPENING AT THE GATHERING CHURCH (www.allgather.org/calendar)

PRESENT TO GOD

CONNECTED TO EACH OTHER

ENGAGED IN THE WORLD

DIRECTORY UPDATE: Whether you've been around for three years or three weeks, take a few minutes to check your contact information at the table in the back to make sure it is up to date for the church directory.

CURT RHODES OF QUESTSCOPE INTERNATIONAL: Libby and Mark are hosting an informal meeting at their home tonight at 5:30 to get an update from Curt about how the crisis in that area is affecting their work.

EAGLES' NEST TUTORING: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-6 at Oak Creek Village (on Garrett Rd). Contact Laura Yost-Grande for more details: laurajya@gmail.com.

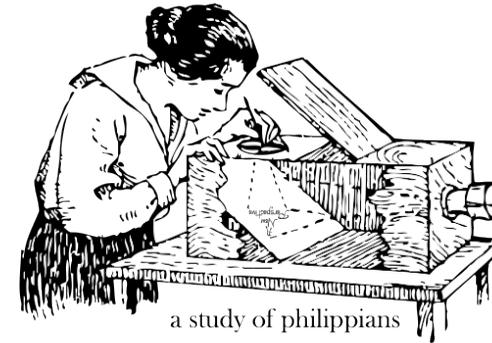
GREENS OF PINE GLEN TUTORING: Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 at Greens of Pine Glen (off of 54 near Southpoint). Contact Chris Breslin for more details: chris@allgather.org.

Fill out a visitor's card to be included in church communications. To have an announcement included email: happenings@allgather.org. Keep up with the Gathering Church on Twitter ([@allgather](https://twitter.com/allgather)) or www.facebook.com/allgather. Check out Music from the Gathering Church: music.allgather.org (to stream or buy) or blog.allgather.org.

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 Psalm 1 | Philippians 3:12-4:1



a study of philippians

A New Perspective

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

-Philippians 3:20-21

"We, the people of Christ, are here to plant the seeds of his kingdom; to cultivate gardens of order, beauty, and abundance in the wilderness of this world. These gardens not only draw people to our God, and they not only point to the restoration of all things that is yet to come. The gardens we cultivate through the resurrection power of Christ also bring flourishing here and now. They bring life into our communities. They bridge the gap between the world that is and the world that is yet to come."

- Skye Jethani

COME YE SINNERS

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you,
Full of pity, joined with power.
He is able, He is able;
He is willing doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

HART/SMITH

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better,
You will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous;
Sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requires
Is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you,
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

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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.

HIGHER GROUND

I'm pressing on the upward way,
New heights I'm gaining every day;
Still praying as I'm onward bound,
"Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

**Lord, lift me up and let me stand,
By faith, on Heaven's table land,
A higher plane than I have found;
Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.**

OATMAN/GABRIEL

My heart has no desire to stay
Where doubts arise and fears dismay;
Though some may dwell where those abound,
My prayer, my aim, is higher ground.

REFRAIN

I want to scale the utmost height
And catch a gleam of glory bright;
But still I'll pray till Heav'n I've found,
"Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

REFRAIN

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GIVING AT THE GATHERING CHURCH

At the Gathering Church there are many ways we worship: singing, praying, fellowship, but also giving of our time, talents, and treasures. Join us in imitating God's generosity by giving of your tithes and offerings.

Four ways to give financially: (1) In the black box on the back table on Sundays, (2) online through Paypal (www.allgather.org/giving/), (3) by automating a draft through your bank, or (4) by mailing a check to PO Box 16402/Chapel Hill, NC 27516.

HOLD US TOGETHER

If don't have a job, don't pay your bills
Won't buy you a home in Beverly Hills
Won't fix your life in five easy steps
Ain't the law of the land or the government?
But it's all you need...

**And love will hold us together
Make us a shelter to weather the storm
And I'll be my brother's keeper
So the whole world would know
That we're not alone**

It's waiting for you, knocking at your door
In the moment of truth
When your heart hits the floor
And you're on your knees

CHORUS

This is the first day of the rest of your life
This is the first day of the rest of your life
'Cause even in the dark
You can still see the light
It's gonna be alright, it's gonna be alright

CHORUS

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AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN

And can it be, that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain
For me, who Him to death pursued?
**Amazing love! How can it be
That You, my God, would die for me?**

You left Your Father's Throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace,
Emptied Yourself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race:
**Amazing love! How can it be
That You, my God, would die for me?**

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
**Amazing love! How can it be
That You, my God, would die for me?**

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my Living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
**Amazing love! How can it be
That You, my God, would die for me?**

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IN THE SECRET

In the secret, in the quiet place
In the stillness You are there.
In the secret, in the quiet hour I wait,
Only for You, 'cause I want to know You more

**I want to know You, I want to hear Your voice
I want to know You more.
I want to touch You,
I want to see Your face
I want to know You more.**

I am reaching for the highest goal,
That I might receive the prize.
Pressing onward, pushing every hindering aside,
Out of my way, 'cause I want to know you more

CHORUS

**In the secret,
In the quiet place
In the stillness
You are there**

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KIDS' DISMISSAL & 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.