

A silhouette of a person with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or worship, set against a warm, golden sunset sky with soft clouds. The person's head is tilted back, and their hands are open, palms facing forward. The overall mood is one of awe and devotion.

*Beautiful  
Savior*

**I want to walk as a child of the Light;**

**I want to follow Jesus.**

**God set the stars to give light to the world;**

**The star of my life is Jesus.**

**In him there is no darkness at all,**

**The night and day are both alike.**

**The Lamb is the light of the city of God.**

**Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**

**I want to see the brightness of God; I want to look at Jesus.**

**Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path**

**And show me the way to the Father.**

**In him there is no darkness at all,**

**The night and day are both alike.**

**The Lamb is the light of the city of God.**

**Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**



**I'm looking for the coming of Christ; I want to be with Jesus.**

**When we have run with patience the race,**

**We shall know the joy of Jesus.**

**In him there is no darkness at all,**

**The night and day are both alike.**

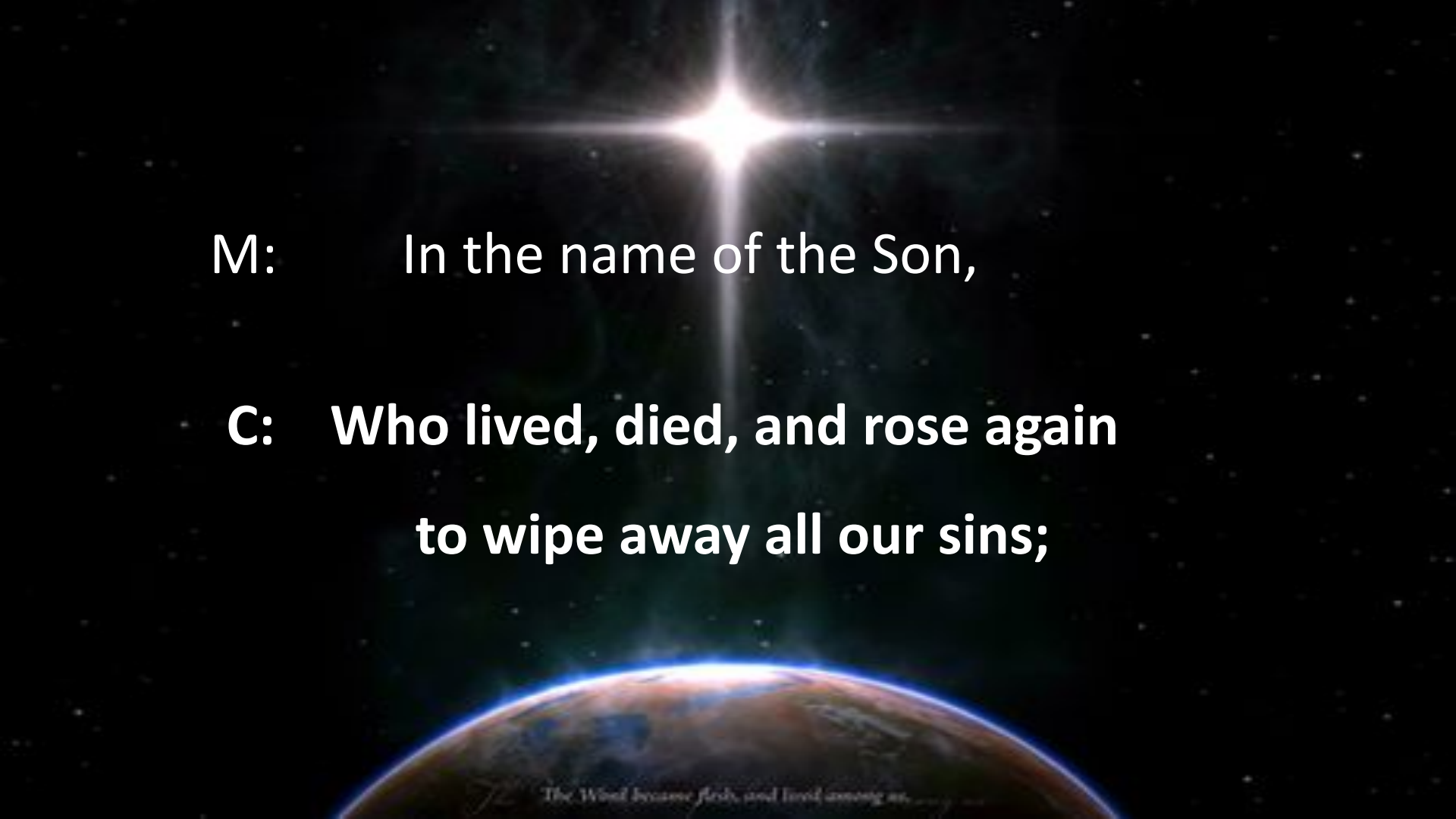
**The Lamb is the light of the city of God.**

**Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**



M: We gather for worship today  
in the name of the Father

C: Who created us  
and keeps us in his care;



M: In the name of the Son,

**C: Who lived, died, and rose again  
to wipe away all our sins;**



M: And in the name of the Holy Spirit,

**C: Who keeps and sustains us  
in the one, true faith.**





M: May the holy, merciful, and Triune God  
be with you.

**C:** And also with you.



## CONFESSION OF SINS

**M:** In the name of our God, to whom all hearts are open  
and from whom no secrets are hidden.     Amen.

**C:** O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy,  
and in your faithfulness, come to my relief.

Do not bring your servant into judgment,  
for no one living is righteous before you.

(Psalm 143)



**C: Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit fails.**

**Do not hide your face from me,**

**for I have put my trust in You.**

**Show me the way I should go,**

**for to you I lift up my soul.**

**Rescue me from my enemies, LORD, for**

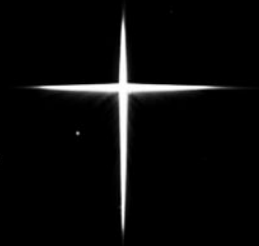
**I hide myself in you.**

**(Psalm 143:1-2, 7-9)**

## *Silence for Meditation and Reflection*

**C: Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and repentant sinner, confess that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, my words, and my actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I am distressed by the sins that trouble me and am deeply sorry for them.**

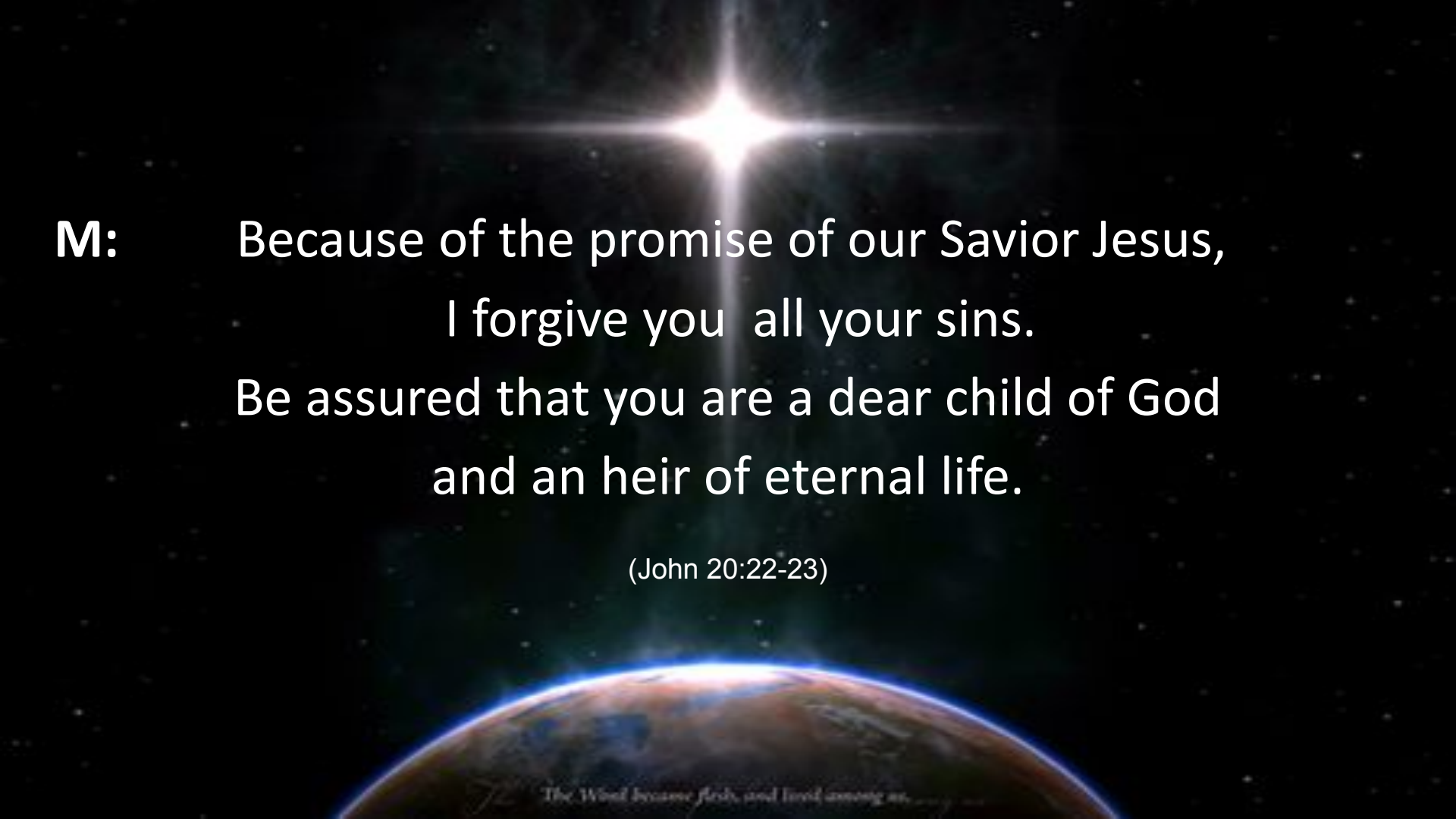


**M:** Jesus says to his people:

“If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven.” (John 20:23)

His death paid for the guilt of your sins  
and the sins of the whole world. Do you believe this?

**C:**                      **Yes, I believe.**




**M:** Because of the promise of our Savior Jesus,  
I forgive you all your sins.  
Be assured that you are a dear child of God  
and an heir of eternal life.

(John 20:22-23)

**C: O Lord, my God, I called to you for help, and you answered me. I thank you for the love you have shown me in Jesus Christ, my Savior. Through him you have rescued me from the guilt of my sin and given me the peace of forgiveness. Help me fight against temptation, correct whatever wrongs I can, and serve you and those around me with love and good works. In Jesus' name, I pray.**

**Amen.**

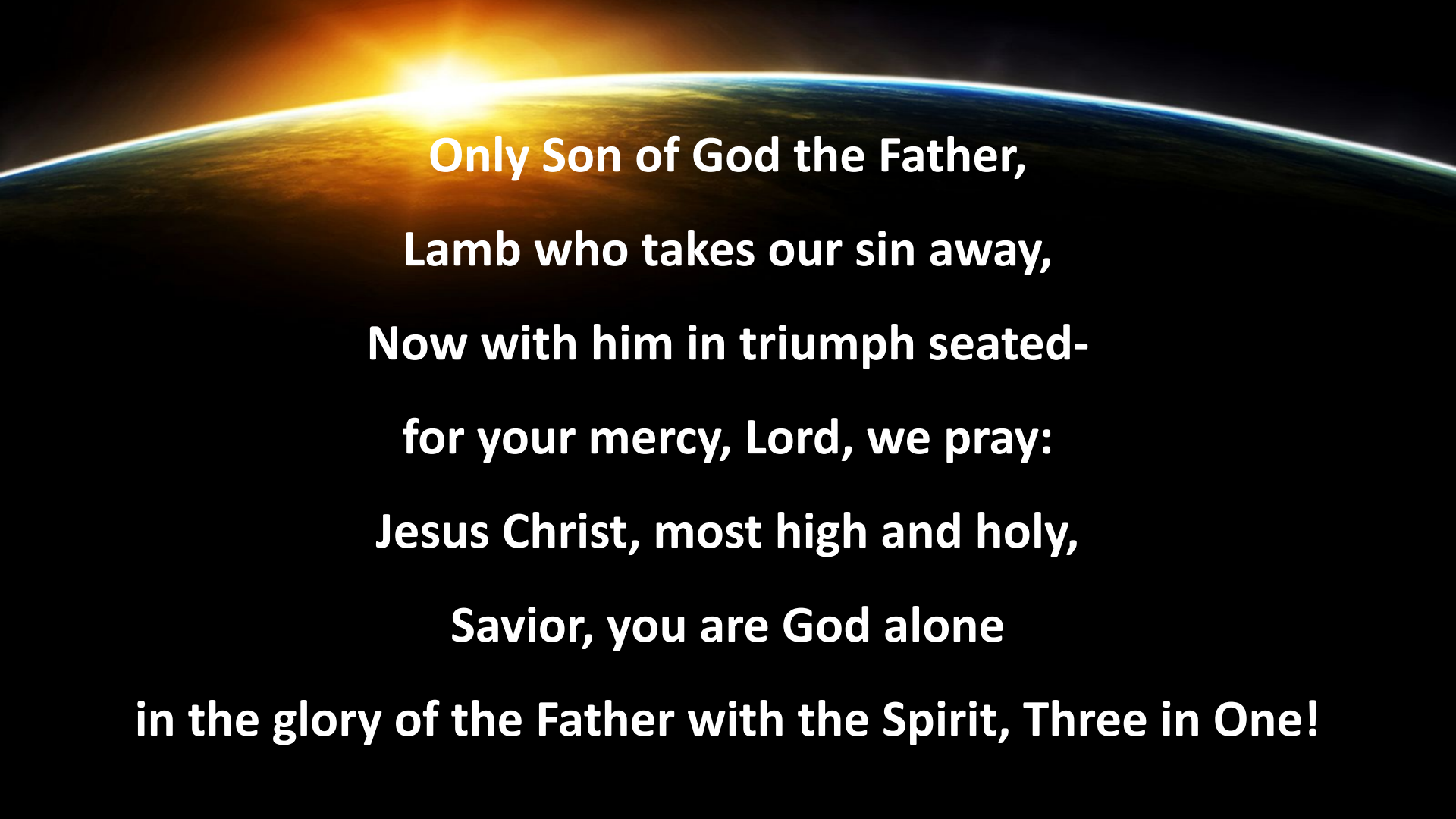




**Glory be to God in heaven,  
peace to those he loves so well.**

**On the earth let all his people  
speak his grace, his wonders tell:  
Lord, we praise you for your glory,  
mighty Father, heaven's King:**

**Hear our joyful adoration and accept the thanks we bring.**



**Only Son of God the Father,  
Lamb who takes our sin away,  
Now with him in triumph seated-  
for your mercy, Lord, we pray:  
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,  
Savior, you are God alone**

**in the glory of the Father with the Spirit, Three in One!**



# Prayer of the Day

## Numbers 11:4–6,10–16,24–29

The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, “If only we had meat to eat! 5 We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost—also the





cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. 6 But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!”

**10** Moses heard the people of every family wailing at the entrance to their tents. The LORD became exceedingly angry,





and Moses was troubled. **11** He asked the LORD, “Why have you brought this trouble on your servant? What have I done to displease you that you put the burden of all these people on me? **12** Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth?





Why do you tell me to carry them in my arms, as a nurse carries an infant, to the land you promised on oath to their ancestors? **13**

Where can I get meat for all these people? They keep wailing to me, 'Give us meat to eat!' **14** I cannot carry all these people by





myself; the burden is too heavy for me. **15** If this is how you are going to treat me, please go ahead and kill me—if I have found favor in your eyes—and do not let me face my own ruin.” **16** The LORD said to Moses: **“Bring me seventy of Israel’s elders who are**





known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with you. 24 So Moses went out and told the people what the LORD had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had





them stand around the tent. **25** Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but did not do so again.





**26** However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp. **27** A young man ran and told Moses,





“Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” **28** Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses’ aide since youth, spoke up and said, “Moses, my lord, stop them!” **29** But Moses replied, “Are you jealous for my sake?”





I wish that all the LORD's people were prophets and that the LORD  
would put his Spirit on them!"



**M:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God!



## Psalm 19

M: The law of the LORD is perfect,

**C: giving joy to the heart.**

M: The commands of the LORD are radiant,

**C: giving light to the eyes.**



M: They are more precious than gold;

**C: they are sweeter than honey.**

M: By them is your servant taught;

**C: in keeping them there is great reward.**





**All: May the words of my mouth  
and the meditation of my heart  
be pleasing in your sight,  
O LORD, my Redeemer.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now,  
And will be forever. Amen.**



## James 4:7-12

**7** Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. **8** Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. **9** Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. **10** Humble yourselves before the Lord,





and he will lift you up. **11** Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it. **12** There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and destroy. But you—who are you to judge your neighbor?



**M: The Word of the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God!**

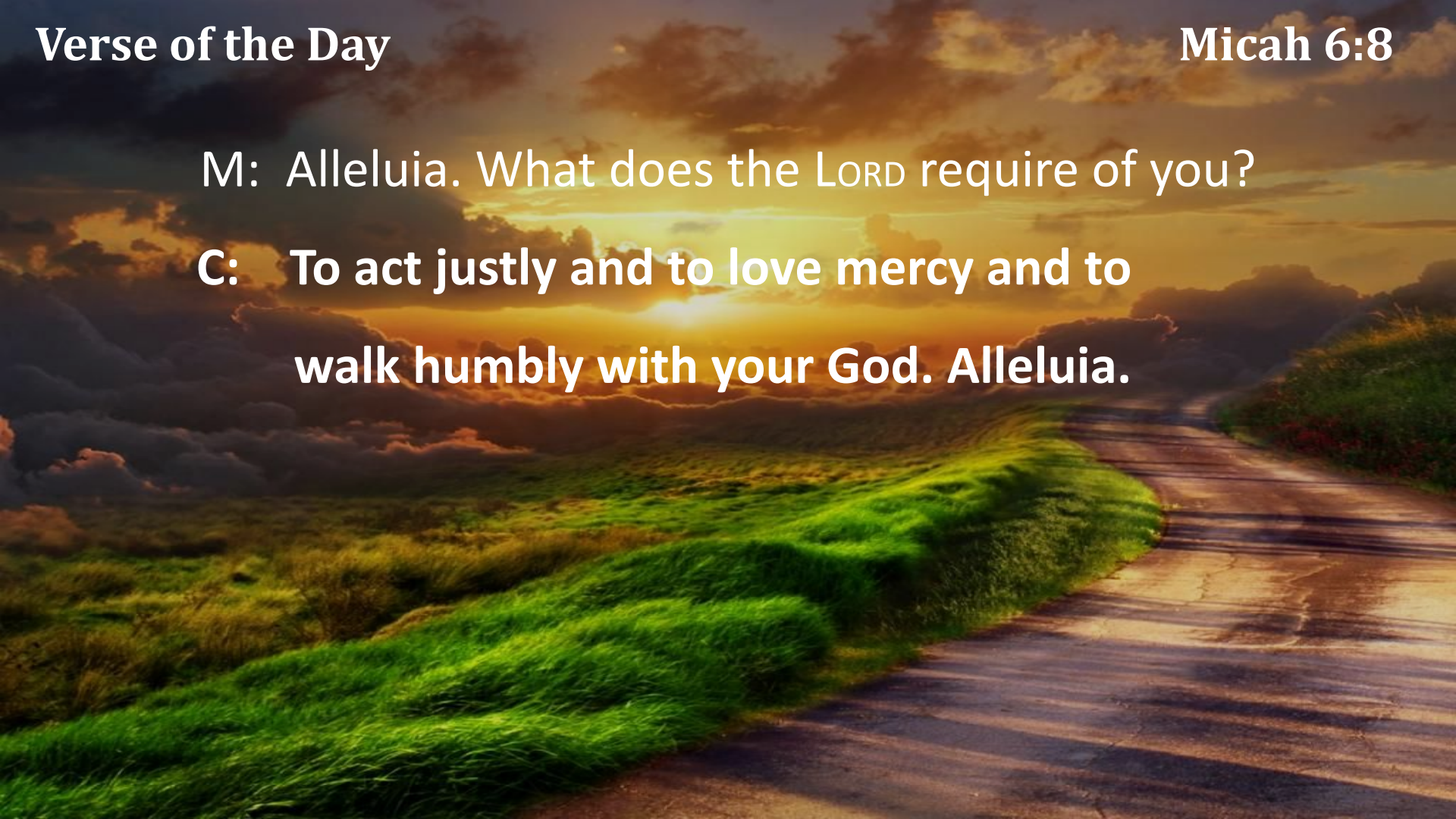


## Verse of the Day

Micah 6:8

M: Alleluia. What does the LORD require of you?

C: To act justly and to love mercy and to  
walk humbly with your God. Alleluia.



## Mark 9:38–50

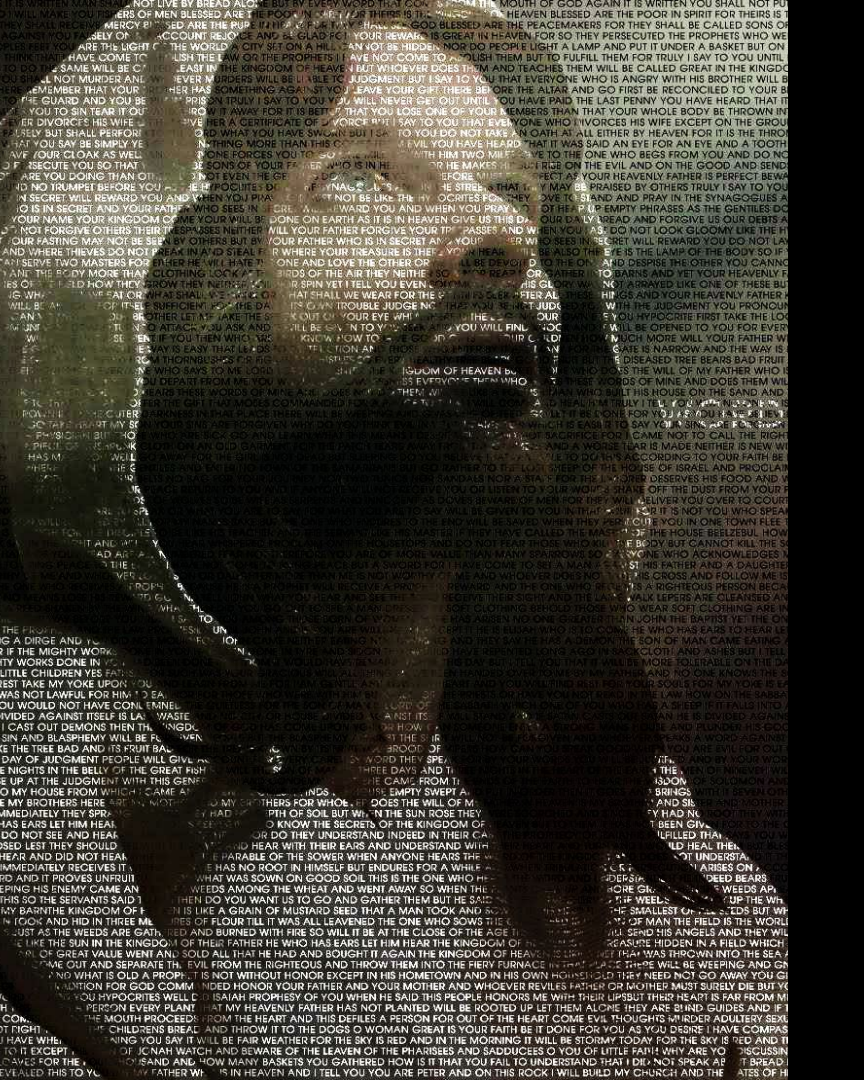
**38** John said to him, “Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name. We tried to stop him, because he was not following us.”

**39** But Jesus said, **“Do not try to stop him, because no one who does a miracle in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil about me. 40 Whoever is not against us is for us.**

**41 Amen I tell you: Whoever gives you a cup of water to drink in my name, because you belong to Christ, will certainly not lose his reward. 42 “Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to fall into sin, it would be better for him if he were thrown into the sea with a large millstone hung around his neck. 43 If your hand causes you to fall into sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed, than to have two hands and go into hell, into the unquenchable fire,**

**44 'where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.' 45 If your foot causes you to fall into sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell, 46 'where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.' 47 If your eye causes you to fall into sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell, 48 'where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.'**





49 For everyone will be salted with  
fire. 50 Salt is good. But if the salt  
loses its flavor, how will you make  
it salty again? Have salt in  
yourselves, and be at peace with  
one another."

A silhouette of a person in a long, flowing robe, possibly a religious figure, with their hands raised in a gesture of prayer or praise. The person is positioned on the left side of the frame, facing right. The background is a warm, golden-orange sky with soft, wispy clouds, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The lighting is dramatic, with the person's form dark against the bright, glowing sky.

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**



**Jesus, your boundless love to me,**

**No thought can reach,**

**no tongue declare.**

**Dwell in my heart eternally**

**and reign without a rival there.**

**To you, alone, dear Lord, I live;**

**Myself, to you, dear Lord, I give.**

LOVE



MATTHEW 27:45-50

**Oh, grant that nothing in my soul  
May dwell but your pure love alone;  
Oh, may your love possess me whole,  
My joy, my treasure, and my crown!**

**All coldness**

**from my heart remove;**

**My ev'ry act, word, thought be love.**

LOVE



MATTHEW 27:45-50

**This love unwearied I pursue,  
And dauntlessly to you aspire,  
Oh, may your love my love renew,  
Burn in my soul  
like heavenly fire!  
And day and night be all my care  
To guard this sacred treasure there!**

LOVE

MATTHEW 27:45-50



**In suffering be your love my peace;  
In weakness be your love my power;  
And when the storms of life  
shall cease,  
O Jesus, in that final hour  
Be then my rod and staff and guide  
And draw me safely to your side.**

LOVE

MATTHEW 27:45-50

# Sermon

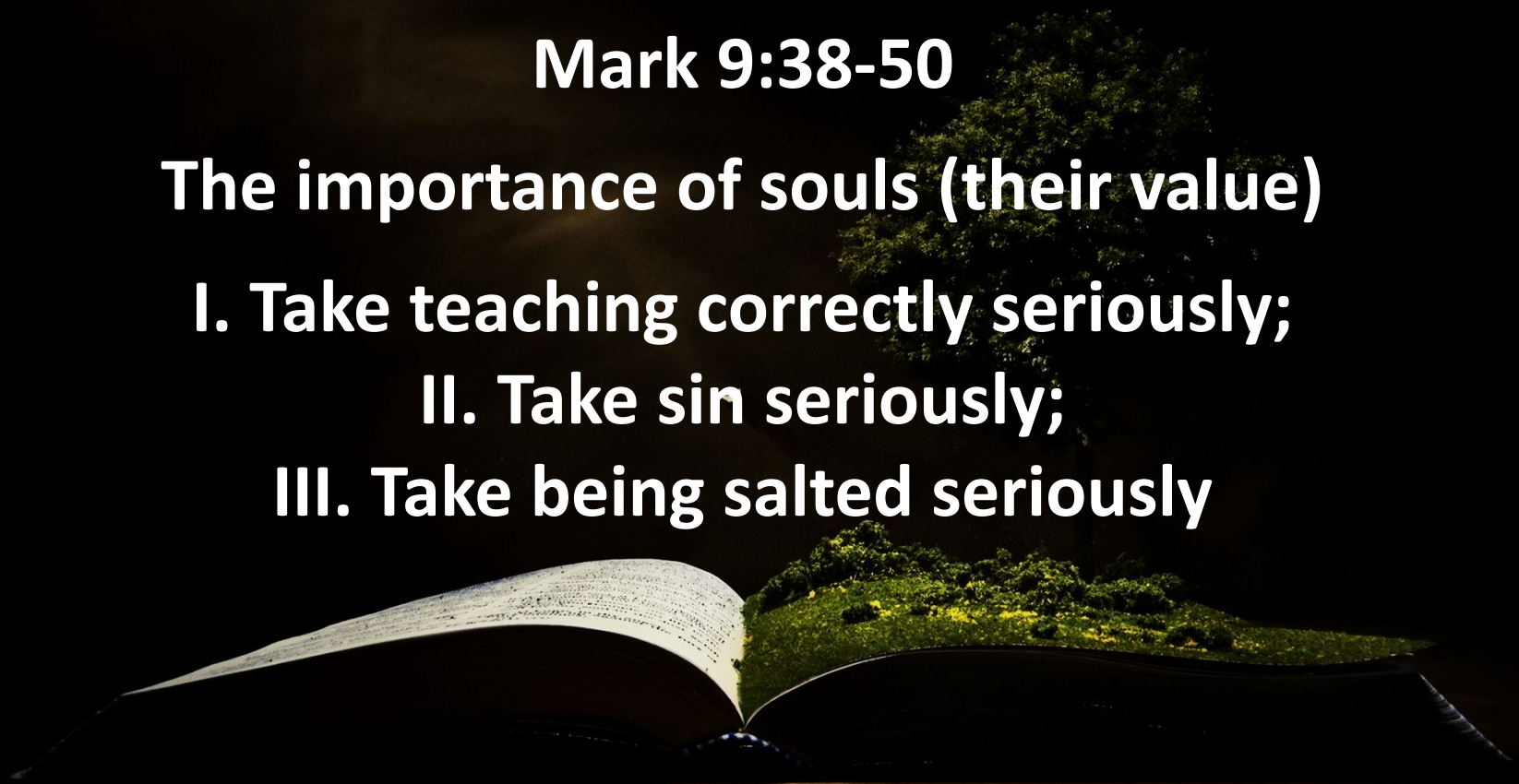
**Mark 9:38-50**

**The importance of souls (their value)**

**I. Take teaching correctly seriously;**

**II. Take sin seriously;**

**III. Take being salted seriously**








**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
Maker of heaven & earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.**



**For us and for our salvation,  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit  
and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures.**

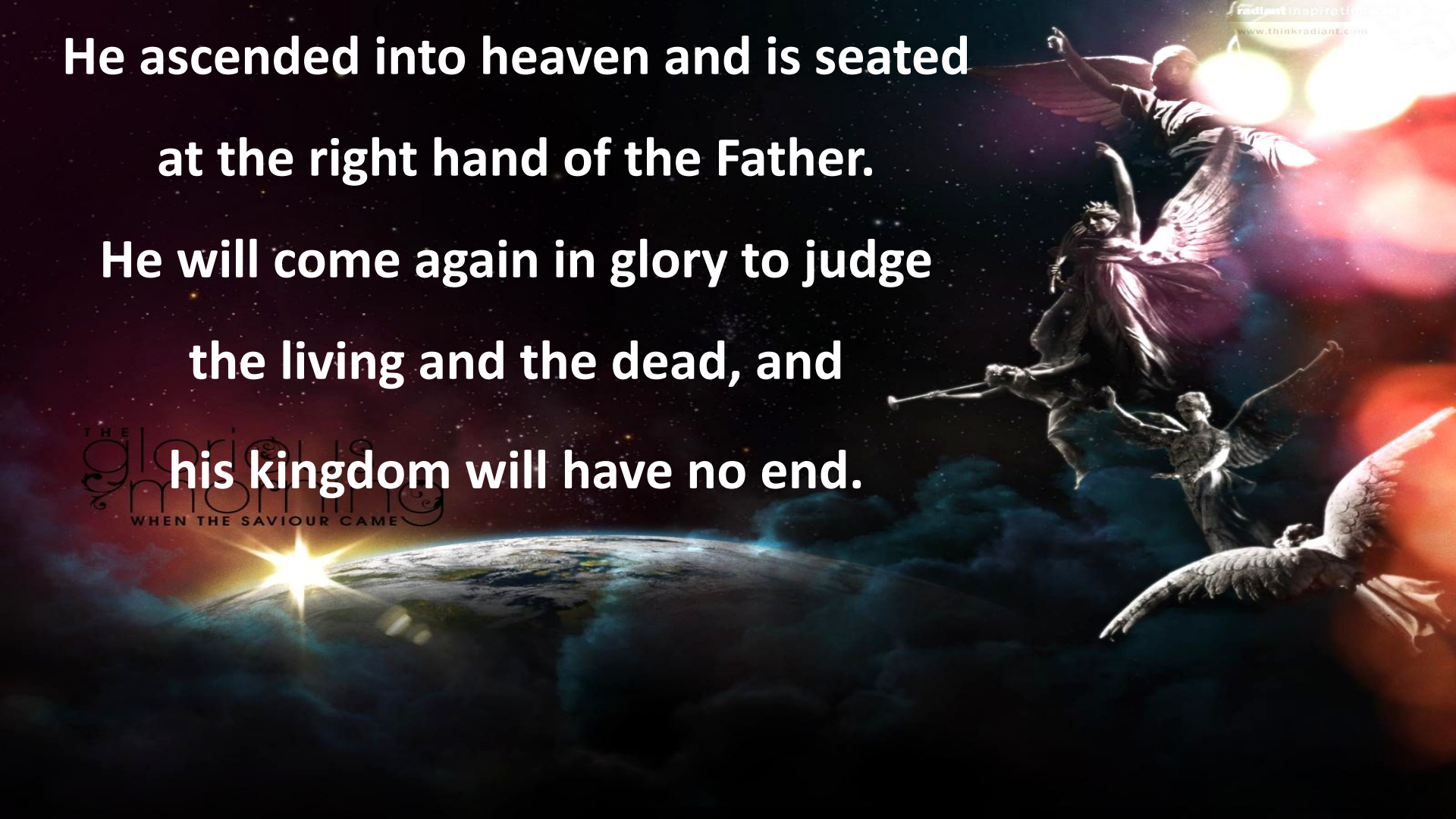


**He ascended into heaven and is seated  
at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead, and**

**his kingdom will have no end.**

THE  
glorious  
morning  
WHEN THE SAVIOUR CAME



**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**





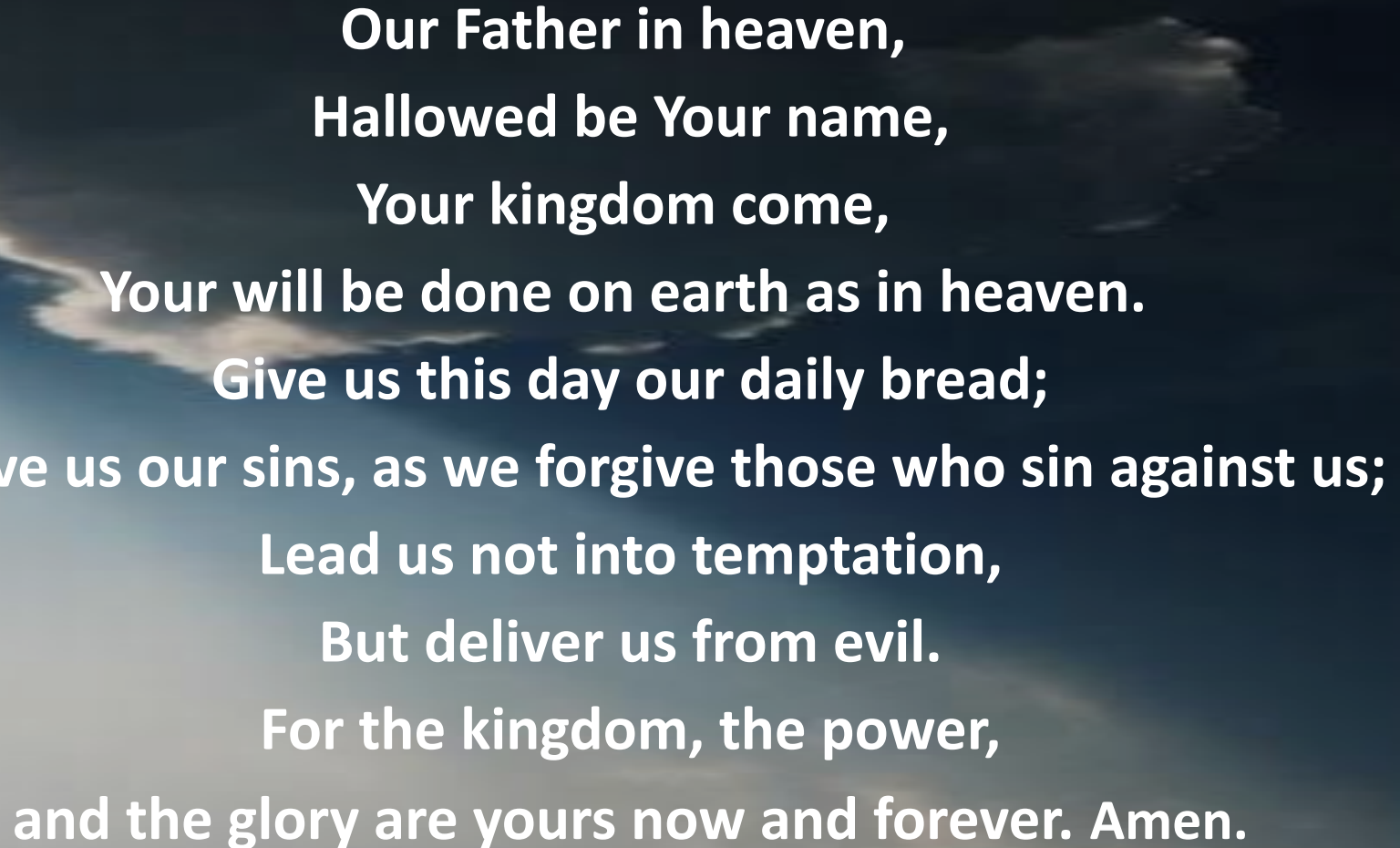
**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**





**Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be Your name,  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;  
Lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

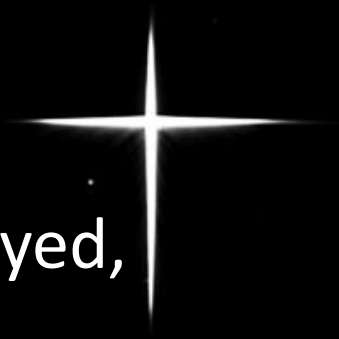
# **THE SACRAMENT**

## **Exhortation to those receiving The Lord's Supper**

Dear friends in Christ! Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood together with the bread and the wine as a truly life-giving food and drink.

By means of this sacrament, Jesus forgives your sins, strengthens your faith, gives you strength to live a God-pleasing life, and grants you a joyful foretaste of heaven.

Together, then, with your fellow believers remember and proclaim the Lord's death, celebrate the gift of his redemption, and express the unity of faith which we share!



M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed,  
took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it  
and gave it to his disciples, saying,  
**“Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.”**



Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, **“Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: A-men!**




## Distribution

*A word about the Lord's Supper for our visitors: Out of sincere love for God, his Word and for precious souls (I Corinthians 11:27-29), we practice close communion. This practice as defined by many Christians for many centuries, is thoroughly Scriptural. It questions the faith of no individual, yet asks that there be full doctrinal agreement among those who commune. (I Corinthians 10:16-17) So, we ask that visitors and friends of the congregation first attend one of our Bible Information classes and profess their unity of faith before joining in communion. If you have questions about this practice, we'd be happy for the opportunity to answer them.*

# Prayer of Thanksgiving





The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor  
and give you peace.

**C:**

**Amen!**

*The Word became flesh, and lived among us.*



**Jesus loves me, this I know,  
For the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to him belong,  
They are weak, but He is strong.**

**Yes, Jesus loves me.**

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**Yes, Jesus loves me,  
the Bible tells me so.**




**Jesus loves me, he who died,  
Heaven's gates to open wide;  
He has washed away my sin,  
let his little child come in.**

**Yes, Jesus loves me.**

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**Yes, Jesus loves me,  
the Bible tells me so.**





**You're not getting the  
support from others.**

# Schedule

|             |  |                      |
|-------------|--|----------------------|
| Tues        | Women's gathering                          | 1pm                  |
| Wed         | Youth confirmation / catechism instruction | 6:15pm               |
| Sat         | Men's group / devotional time              | 10am sharp           |
| Next Sunday | Bible Hour                                 | 9am                  |
|             | Worship                                    | 10am                 |
|             | POTLUCK (meal sign up sheet in entryway)   | following<br>worship |



