

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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REFLECTION

J. I. Packer

Were it not for the work of the Holy Spirit there would be no gospel, no faith, no church, no Christianity in the world at all.

A simple Bible reader and sermon hearer who is full of the Holy Spirit will develop a far deeper acquaintance with his God and Savior than a more learned scholar who is content with being theologically correct

SONG

Way Maker

Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

You are here moving in our midst.
I worship you; I worship you.
You are here working in this place.
I worship you. I worship you.

You are here touching ev'ry heart.
I worship you; I worship you.
You are here healing ev'ry heart.
I worship you; I worship you.

You are here turning lives around.
I worship you; I worship you.
You are here mending ev'ry heart.
I worship you; I worship you, Lord.

Chorus : (You are) Way Maker,
Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness, my God;
that is who you are.

Bridge: Even when I don't see it, you're working.
Even when I don't feel it, you're working.
You never stop; you never stop working.
You never stop; you never stop working.

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WELCOME

PRAYER

SONG

Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death

Jordan Kauflin, Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, Matthew Merker

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone. Christ alone.
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to him belong
Who holds our days within his hand?
What comes apart from his command,
and what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand.

Chorus: O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal.
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good. God is good.
Where is his grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
unto the shore, the rock of Christ.

Unto the grave what will we sing?
Christ, he lives. Christ, he lives.
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord.
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
and we will feast in endless joy
when Christ is ours forevermore.

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CONFESSION

The New City Catechism, Questions 35-37

Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through faith alone, where does this faith come from?

All the gifts we receive from Christ we receive through the Holy Spirit, including faith itself.

What do we believe about the Holy Spirit?

That he is God, coeternal with the Father and the Son, and that God grants him irrevocably to all who believe.

How does the Holy Spirit help us?

The Holy Spirit convicts us of our sin, comforts us, guides us, gives us spiritual gifts and the desire to obey God; and he enables us to pray and to understand God's Word.

SONG

Hallelujah! What a Savior (Your Love Has Rescued Me)

Aaron Ivey, Matt Carter, Halim Suh, Philip Bliss

Man of sorrows, what a name
for the Son of God who came
ruined sinners to reclaim.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
in my place condemned he stood,
sealed my pardon with his blood.
Hallelujah! What a Savior

Hallelujah, praise to the one
whose blood has pardoned me.
Oh, what a Savior, Redeemer and King!
Your love has rescued me.

Lifted up was he to die,
"It is finished!" was his cry
Now in heaven lifted high,
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When he comes, our Glorious King,
all his ransomed home to bring,
then anew this song we'll sing.
Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Savior!

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PRAYER

BIBLE

Acts 2:1-15, 36-41

[1] When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. [2] And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. [3] And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. [4] And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

[5] Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. [6] And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. [7] And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? [8] And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? [9] Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, [10] Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, [11] both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." [12] And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" [13] But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

[14] But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. [15] For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. [16] But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

[36] Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

[37] Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" [38] And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. [39] For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." [40] And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." [41] So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls. (ESV)

MESSAGE **Power for Crooked People**

Harrison Spitler, Pastor of Adult Ministries

SONG **Yet Not I, but through Christ in Me**

Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, Rich Thompson

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer;
there is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold; my hope is only Jesus,
for my life is wholly bound to his.
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing all is mine,
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,
for by my side the Saviour, he will stay.
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing,
for in my need his power is displayed.

To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me.
Through the deepest valley he will lead.
Oh, the night has been won and I shall overcome,
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread; I know I am forgiven,
the future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
and he was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold: my sin has been defeated.
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh, the chains are released; I can sing; I am free,
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus,
for he has said that he will bring me home,
and day by day I know he will renew me
until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.
All the glory evermore to him!
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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BENEDICTION

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WORSHIP TEAM – Saturday

Piano: David Burge

Vocals: Jenna Miller

Vocals and Guitar: Jonathan Harris,

Vocals and Keys: David Harris

Bass Guitar: Doug Mules

Drums: Graham Furniss

Sound Tech: Jack Gott

WORSHIP TEAM – Sunday

Piano: David Burge

Vocals: Anna McVae

Vocals and Guitar: Jonathan Harris

Vocals and Keys: David Harris

Electric Guitar: Jack Gott

Bass Guitar: Graham Furniss

Drums: Jordon Stanley

Sound Tech: Andrew Repp

Power for Crooked People

Acts 2:1-41

1. Power

2. Peter

3. People