

GREAT AND MARVELOUS

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Are all Your works O Lord
King of the Ages
We give You praises
Who will not fear You
Or glorify Your name
We bring You all our praise

All of the nations will worship before Thee
For You have revealed Your righteous deeds to us
You are the only One who is holy
Who will not fear You
and who will not praise Your holy name

CALL TO WORSHIP

And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, "Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed."

-Revelation 15:3-4. ESV-

GOD OF WONDERS

Lord of all creation
Of water, earth, and sky,
The heavens are your tabernacle.
Glory to the Lord on high.

God of wonders beyond our galaxy,
You are holy, holy.
The universe declares your majesty.
You are holy, holy.
Lord of Heaven and Earth. Lord of Heaven and Earth.

Early in the morning
I will celebrate the light.
When I stumble in the darkness
I will call Your name by night.
REPEAT CHORUS

Hallelujah—To the Lord of Heaven and Earth. (x3)
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PSALM 130

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication;
If Thou iniquities dost mark,
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark,
O who shall stand before Thee? (x2)

PSALM 130 cont.

To wash away the crimson stain, Grace, grace alone availeth; Our works, alas! Are all in vain; In much the best life faileth; No man can glory in Thy sight, All must alike confess Thy might, And live alone by mercy (x2)

Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest,
His word Upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience (x2)

Though great our sins and sore our woes
His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows,
Our upmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He,
Who will at last His Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow (x3)

Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 45

Q116. Why do Christians need to pray?

A. Because prayer is the most important part of the thankfulness God requires of us. And also because God gives his grace and Holy Spirit only to those who pray continually and groan inwardly, asking God for these gifts and thanking God for them.

Q117. What is the kind of prayer that pleases God and that he listens to?

A. First, we must pray from the heart to no other than the one true God, revealed to us in his Word, asking for everything God has commanded us to ask for. Second, we must fully recognize our need and misery, so that we humble ourselves in God's majestic presence. Third, we must rest on this unshakable foundation: even though we do not deserve it, God will surely listen to our prayer because of Christ our Lord. That is what God promised us in his Word.

Q118. What did God command us to pray for?

A. Everything we need, spiritually and physically, as embraced in the prayer Christ our Lord himself taught us.

Q119. What is this prayer?

A.Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one.* For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours forever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God and loving Father, We thank you for placing us in covenant relationships, in homes and families and friendships. Forgive us for taking our vows and promises lightly. Forgive us for the breakdown of family life, for misdirected love and for divorces entered lightly, for failing to give time to our families, for failing to teach and live by your values, for neglecting and abusing our children. Jesus, our heavenly brother, teach us every day to love and serve, to cherish and protect those with whom we live. In your name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Our Lord Jesus Christ—truly God and at the same time truly human and truly righteous—is the mediator who was given to set us completely free and to make us right with God. By the power of his divinity, He bore the weight of God's anger in his humanity, restoring us to righteousness and life.

-based on Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A's 17-18-

IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones he came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath.
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,

IN CHRIST ALONE cont.

Can ever pluck me from His hand; Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

SERMON

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. Amen.

COMMUNION

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to you he has said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply; The flame shall not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes.

That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never, forsake.