

Prelude: **Who You Say I Am** (by Ben Fielding & Reuben Morgan, CCLI #11314418)

Who am I that the highest King Would welcome me. I was lost but he brought me in. Oh, His love for me. Oh, His love for me. Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed. I'm a child of God, Yes I am.	While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes, He died for me. Who the Son sets free, Oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God, yes I am. In my Father's house There's a place for me. I'm a child of God, yes I am. (oh) I am who You say I am. Yes, I am who You say I am. Yes, I am who You say I am.	Yes, I am who You say I am. I am chosen, not forsaken I am who You say I am You are for me, not against me. I am who You say I am. (repeat) (Oh) I am who You say I am. Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed. I'm a child of God, yes I am.
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Prayer

Quote of the day

If you want a love message to be heard, it has got to be sent out. To keep a lamp burning, we have to keep putting oil in it. – Mother Teresa

Announcements

Call to Worship:

Jesus is calling you today. Listen! Hear his call in your hearts.

We are so troubled, and we don't know whether we dare to trust in this call.

Jesus will not let you down.

We want to trust. Lord, help us.

Come, this is the time and the place to take the step of faith.

Lord, be with us as we reach out to you and to others.

Come let us celebrate and worship God!

Call to Confession

God calls us to do good, care for one another and follow God's life-giving commandments. We fall short of who we are called to be, hurting those we are to love and worshipping idols that never offer what they promise. Nonetheless, God is merciful and abounding in steadfast love. Let us now confess our sins before God and one other. First in silence and then together as one family in Christ. Let us pray.

Silence

Prayer of Confession

Lord of wind and waves, creation and creatures, your power is at work everywhere, stilling the storms, offering peace, lifting us up from the depths of our greatest fears. You come to us immediately when we call and yet we still lack faith in your ability and will to work within and around us. We get distracted and afraid, focused on that which threatens us rather than the One who saves us. We act out of a sense of scarcity, as if there is not enough of God's love, grace and abundant goodness for everyone. In our anxiousness we hurt those entrusted to our care, we injure the earth we are to steward and we fail to tend your sheep. Forgive

our failings and mistakes and in your mercy reform us into the people you call us to be, those blessed to be a blessing. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture tells us that those who call on the name of the Lord will be saved, that no one who believes in Jesus will be put to shame. Trusting this sure promise, we rejoice that God hears our confession and forgives us.

Friends believe in the promise of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, thanks be to God.

****Sharing the Peace of Christ Jesus***

Peace be with you

And also with you.

Sing to the King (by Billy Foote, CCLI #11314418)

Sing to the King who is coming to reign.
Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain.
Life and salvation His empire shall bring,
And joy to the nations, when Jesus is King.

Chorus:

Come, let us sing a song,
a song declaring that we belong to Jesus;
He is all we need.
Lift up a heart of praise.

Sing now with voices raised to Jesus;
sing to the King.

For His returning we watch and we pray
We will be ready the dawn of that day.
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed,
'cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King.

Chorus x3

Romans 10:5-15

Moses wrote that anyone who insists on using the law code to live right before God soon discovers it's not so easy—every detail of life regulated by fine print! But trusting God to shape the right living in us is a different story—no precarious climb up to heaven to recruit the Messiah, no dangerous descent into hell to rescue the Messiah. So what exactly was Moses saying?

The word that saves is right here,
as near as the tongue in your mouth,
as close as the heart in your chest.

It's the word of faith that welcomes God to go to work and set things right for us. This is the core of our preaching. Say the welcoming word to God—"Jesus is my Master"—embracing, body and soul, God's work of doing in us what he did in raising Jesus from the dead. That's it. You're not "doing" anything; you're simply calling out to God, trusting him to do it for you. That's salvation. With your whole being you embrace God setting things right, and then you say it, right out loud: "God has set everything right between him and me!"

Scripture reassures us, "No one who trusts God like this—heart and soul—will ever regret it." It's exactly the same no matter what a person's religious background may be: the same God for all of us, acting the same incredibly generous way to everyone who calls out for help. "Everyone who calls, 'Help, God!' gets help."

But how can people call for help if they don't know who to trust? And how can they know who to trust if they haven't heard of the One who can be trusted? And how can they hear if nobody tells them? And how is anyone going to tell them, unless someone is sent to do it? That's why Scripture exclaims,

A sight to take your breath away!
Grand processions of people
telling all the good things of God!

Matthew 14:22-33

As soon as the meal was finished, he insisted that the disciples get in the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he dismissed the people. With the crowd dispersed, he climbed the mountain so he could be by himself and pray. He stayed there alone, late into the night.

Meanwhile, the boat was far out to sea when the wind came up against them and they were battered by the waves. At about four o'clock in the morning, Jesus came toward them walking on the water. They were scared out of their wits. "A ghost!" they said, crying out in terror.

But Jesus was quick to comfort them. "Courage, it's me. Don't be afraid."

Peter, suddenly bold, said, "Master, if it's really you, call me to come to you on the water."

He said, "Come ahead."

Jumping out of the boat, Peter walked on the water to Jesus. But when he looked down at the waves churning beneath his feet, he lost his nerve and started to sink. He cried, "Master, save me!"

Jesus didn't hesitate. He reached down and grabbed his hand. Then he said, "Faint-heart, what got into you?"

The two of them climbed into the boat, and the wind died down. The disciples in the boat, having watched the whole thing, worshiped Jesus, saying, "This is it! You are God's Son for sure!"

Sermon

Sent to Proclaim

Pastor Riz

Hymn

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!

You shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
seek, and you shall find;
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!

Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Our Lives & Gifts to God - "Doubting Thomas" by the Boston Imposters

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we offer to you not only these monetary gifts, but our whole selves, our hearts, minds, hopes and fears. We give them freely and in the knowledge that we can never earn your grace. You come to us even before we turn to you. You pursue us with your steadfast love. You refuse to give up on us even when we have gone astray. Bless these gifts we pray, signs of our gratitude, and use them to proclaim the good news to those yet to hear it and know of their priceless worth in your eyes. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Benediction

Friends, Jesus calls us to step out on to the water with him,

To leave the safety of our boats,

and to walk toward Him in faith,

Joining Him in the work that gives life that is already happening in our world.

And when the wind and waves get high and threaten to overwhelm us,

We remember His words:

"Don't be afraid. Take courage. I am here."

So let's go with faith,

To follow where Jesus leads,

confident that His love and presence go with us.

So let's go from here with courage,

Trusting in God's presence and power,

and eager to do God's will.

So let's go from here with hope,

Trusting in the Holy Spirit's guidance,

ready to proclaim life in word and deed. **Amen.**