

WORSHIP GUIDE _____ 7.12.20 _____

Although we're not together this morning, God still calls us to worship Him, and we can always respond to His call with grateful hearts and rejoicing because of what Jesus has accomplished for us in the gospel. This moment that our world's in right now is dark and confusing, but Jesus has overcome the world; He's conquered sin and death, and He assures us by God's Spirit that God is for us and with us always.

Please use this guide with your family and friends and listen to Pastor Rayshawn's sermon at westendbaptist.net

Call to Worship

"May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! May we shout for joy over your salvation, and in the name of our God set up our banners! May the LORD fulfill all your petitions! Now I know that the LORD saves his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven with the saving might of his right hand. Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God."

Psalm 20:1, 5-7

Take a minute to adore God for His greatness and goodness. Praise Him for His power and strength.

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Prayer of Confession

Our kind and loving God, we admit that we have been short-sighted about who you are, the good you have done for us, and the good you want to still do for us and through us. We have doubted your kindness to us, thinking that our concerns are too small for your notice. Even though you have promised us joys in heaven, we look aside to earthly pleasures. We put more faith in human leaders and human solutions instead of in your power, and we confess our lack of compassion for the lost who need to hear your gospel. Please restore us now though the work of your son Jesus.

Assurance of Pardon

"In love he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace."

Ephesians 1:5-7

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed



Behold Your God: Isaiah 40:21-26

Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name; by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing.

Isaiah 40:21-26

Questions

Use these questions like a menu; do not feel as though you need to answer them all. Use them to generate discussion.

- 1. How can I adore God from this passage?
- 2. What sin does this passage lead me to confess?
- 3. How does this passage help me to thank Jesus?
- 4. From this passage, in what ways can I ask God's spirit to help me this week?

Giving Thanks

We close with a desire to let our lives be evidences of the grace and truth that God has shown us, so that other people would give praise to Jesus.

All Glory Be to Christ

Although we are not able to gather during this season, we can still support the church meaningfully through our giving. <u>Visit our website</u> to give online or set up recurring donations through <u>Planning Center Giving</u>.

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