

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

"...Blessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name."

1 Chronicles 29:10-13

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

**All Praise to Him** 

## Prayer of Confession

Our grand and gracious God, we admit that our lives fall far short of reflecting who you are. We do not show the same degree of selfless love to others that you have shown to us. Even though we know you deserve all praise and honor, we give praise to other things and even elevate them as idols in our lives. We confess that we have not bowed our hearts fully to your will, and we lean on your mercy to reconcile us to yourself.

### Assurance of Pardon

"For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, 'Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them.' ... Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, 'Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree'—so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith."

Galatians 3:10, 13-14

I Will Sing of My Redeemer

## Sermon

#### Behold Your God: Isaiah 40:12-20

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has measured the Spirit of the Lord, or what man shows him his counsel? Whom did he consult, and who made him understand? Who taught him the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Behold, the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as the dust on the scales; behold, he takes up the coastlands like fine dust. Lebanon would not suffice for fuel, nor are its beasts enough for a burnt offering. All the nations are as nothing before him, they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. To whom then will you liken God, or what likeness compare with him? An idol! A craftsman casts it, and a goldsmith overlays it with gold and casts for it silver chains. He who is too impoverished for an offering chooses wood that will not rot; he seeks out a skillful craftsman to set up an idol that will not move.

## | 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.

**This Is Amazing Grace** 

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