



## Are our spiritual lights shining in today's world?



To God be the glory 512 56 536 552 vv 1,2,5,6.

Great things He has done

So loved He the world that He gave us His Son  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin  
And opened the life-gate that all may go in

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood  
To every believer the promise of God  
The vilest offender who truly believes  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see

O God we give thanks for Your invitation to come to you,  
and that you have made this possible through Jesus  
through Whom You have placed a lasting value on our lives

Forgive us, Lord, that we are so often distracted by the values of society -  
- materialism, culture of celebrities, ethos of vested interests

Help us to turn our eyes upon Jesus to look full in His wonderful face  
and the things of earth will have their rightful place in the light of His glory and grace

By Your Holy Spirit help us to refocus our vision,  
and in the light of seeing You and Your glory  
to renew and refresh our thinking to the things of eternity  
and reorientate our living to the things of reality

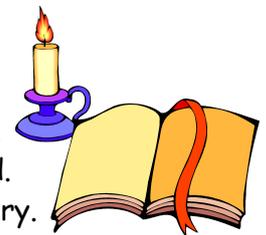
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord and Saviour to Whom with You O Father, and the Holy Spirit be  
all praise and glory AMEN.

### Reading Colossians 3.1-17

3.1 Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above,  
where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things above,  
not on earthly things. 3 For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.  
4 When Christ, who is your[a] life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.  
5 Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust,  
evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. 6 Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. ] 7 You used  
to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. 8 But now you must also rid yourselves of all such  
things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. 9 Do not lie to each  
other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices 10 and have put on the new self, which  
is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. 11 Here there is no Gentile or Jew,  
circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.  
12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion,  
kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of

Chorus

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord  
Let the earth hear His voice  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord  
Let the people rejoice  
Come to the Father  
Through Jesus the Son  
Give Him the glory  
Great things He has done

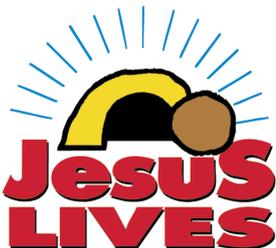


you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. 15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. 16 Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. 17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him

How good it is to thank You, Lord  
 proclaim Your name most high  
 to praise Your faithfulness at dawn  
 Your love when night is nigh

On a ten-stringed instrument  
 and with a harp's sweet sound  
 and with the music of the lute  
 to make Your praise abound

For all Your actions make me glad  
 Your works inspire my praise  
 I sing for joy with all my heart  
 today and all my days



How does the resurrection connect with every aspect of life personal, church and community ?



New life in Christ affects our personal character, our relationships and the society in which we live.



**Downward.** God has given us His word in Jesus  
 We have evidence from the past,  
 can experience Him in the present  
 and have a sure expectation giving confidence for the future



**Inward** "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly"



**Upward** "in the name of Lord Jesus"  
 regular uplook lifts our outlook !  
 worship is central and essential to every aspect of the life of the church  
 some principles of worship  
 ... teach content  
 ... warn apply  
 ... gratitude motive



**Outward** Relationships inside church affect relationships outside church  
 Look at domestic and employment relationship in detail next week

**"God is an action God!"**

Are we allowing Him to connect and make the running in and through our lives ?

May the mind of Christ, my Saviour,  
Live in me from day to day,  
By His love and power controlling  
All I do and say.

May the peace of God my Father  
in my life for ever reign,  
That I may be calm to comfort  
those in grief or pain

May I run the race before me,  
Strong and brave to face the foe,  
Looking only unto Jesus  
As I onward go

May the Word of God dwell richly  
In my heart from hour to hour,  
So that all may see I triumph  
Only through His power.

May the love of Jesus fill me,  
As the waters fill the sea;  
Him exalting, self abasing,  
This is victory.



Lord we would make that hymn our personal prayer  
that what You have done in Jesus may dwell richly in us,  
enriching and envisioning our contacts with other folk, locally, nationally and globally.

Hear us as we pray for someone who is searching for meaning in life  
that we may be able to encourage them in appropriate ways to consider Jesus  
especially we pray for those who are at a time in their lives which is difficult  
deciding what course to take or what job to go for  
deciding about marriage, family tensions retirement, or how to cope with serious illness

Hear us as we bring to You in prayer all the sadness of the news ...  
praying for those who are caught up in the Ukrainian conflict.....  
for refugees whose wellbeing is threatened by traffickers or politicians

Hear us as we pray for those who have been elected to P+K council

Hear us as we pray for our Kirk Session  
and the need to make Jesus known to the growing generation.  
and hear us as we pray the Christian family 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

O for a closer walk with God,  
a calm and heavenly frame,  
a light to shine upon the road  
that leads me to the Lamb!

The dearest idol I have known,  
whate'er that idol be,  
help me to tear it from thy throne,  
and worship only thee.

Where is the blessedness I knew  
when first I saw the Lord?  
Where is the soul-refreshing view  
of Jesus and his word?

So shall my walk be close with God,  
calm and serene my frame;  
so purer light shall mark the road  
that leads me to the Lamb.