



Paul Stockdale

We trust and pray that you will not only enjoy the service but also be open to God speaking to you through the music, the prayers, the Bible and the sermon. Should today's service raise any questions in your mind about the Christian faith in general or the resurrection in particular please don't hesitate to make contact with us. We'd love to help you in whatever way we can.

Revelation - 5:9 and 7:9

*And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation".*

*After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.*

Each of the verses reference John seeing people 'from every tribe and language and people and nation'. 'Christ is risen, he is risen indeed, hallelujah'.

## Song

Hear the bells ringing, they're singing  
That You can be born again  
Here the bells ringing, they're singing  
Christ is risen from the dead

The angel up on the tombstone  
Said, He has risen, just as He said  
Quickly now, go tell His disciples  
That Jesus Christ is no longer dead

Joy to the world  
He has risen, Hallelujah  
He's risen, Hallelujah  
He's risen, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Hear the bells ringing, they're singing  
That You can be healed right now  
Hear the bells ringing, they're singing  
Christ, He will reveal it now

The angels, they all surround us  
And they are ministering Jesus's power  
Quickly now, reach out and receive it  
For this could be your glorious hour

Anne Herring

© 1974 Latter Rain Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

## Song

Thine be the glory  
Risen conquering Son  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won  
Angels in bright raiment  
Rolled the stone away  
Kept the folded grave clothes  
Where Thy body lay

Thine be the glory  
Risen conquering Son  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won

Lo Jesus meets us  
Risen from the tomb  
Lovingly He greets us  
Scatters fear and gloom  
Let the church with gladness  
Hymns of triumph sing  
For her Lord now liveth  
Death hath lost its sting

No more we doubt Thee  
Glorious Prince of life  
Life is nought without Thee  
Aid us in our strife  
Make us more than conquerors  
Through Thy deathless love  
Lead us in Thy triumph  
To Thy home above

Edmond Louis Budry | George Frideric Handel | Richard Birch  
Hoyle

© Words: Public Domain Music: Public Domain

## Prayer

**Lord, death could not hold You. And because of You, the resurrection, we, too, can live. Thank You that the grave is only a journey into the presence of God. You have removed the sting of death and empowered this thing called life. Now I will live in Your presence forever. Amen.**

**May Your resurrecting power shine forth in my life and the lives of my loved ones. In Jesus Christ's Name, I pray, Amen.**

**May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear. And may Christ, Our Risen Saviour, always be there by your side to bless you most abundantly and be your loving guide.**

**Christ is risen: The world below lies desolate. Christ is risen: The spirits of evil are fallen. Christ is risen: The angels of God are rejoicing. Christ is risen: The tombs of the dead are empty. Christ is risen indeed from the dead, the first of the sleepers! Glory and Power are His for ever and ever! Amen.**

**Dear Lord Jesus Christ, by Your radiant and magnificent resurrection, You broke the bonds of death and rose from the grave as a conqueror. You reconciled Heaven and earth. Our life had no hope of eternal happiness before You redeemed us. Your resurrection has washed away our sins, restored our innocence, and brought us joy. How inestimable is the tenderness of Your love.**

## Read John 20:1-18

## Teaching - part 1

### Song

I cast my mind to Calvary  
Where Jesus bled and died for me  
I see His wounds His hands His feet  
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears  
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone  
Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God  
O praise His Name forevermore  
For endless days we will sing Your praise  
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn  
The Son of heaven rose again  
O trampled death where is your sting  
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white  
The blazing sun shall pierce the night  
And I will rise among the saints  
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

Benjamin Hastings | Dean Ussher | Marty Sampson

© 2015 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia (Admin. by Hillsong Music Publishing UK)

## Teaching - part 2



## Song

See what a morning gloriously bright  
With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem  
Folded the grave-clothes tomb filled with light  
As the angels announce Christ is risen  
See God's salvation plan wrought in love  
Borne in pain paid in sacrifice  
Fulfilled in Christ the Man for He lives  
Christ is risen from the dead

See Mary weeping where is He laid  
As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb  
Hears a voice speaking calling her name  
It's the Master the Lord raised to life again  
The voice that spans the years  
Speaking life stirring hope bringing peace to us  
Will sound till He appears  
For He lives Christ is risen from the dead

One with the Father Ancient of Days  
Through the Spirit who clothes faith with  
certainty  
Honour and blessing glory and praise  
To the King crowned with pow'r and authority  
And we are raised with Him  
Death is dead love has won Christ has  
conquered  
And we shall reign with Him  
For He lives Christ is risen from the dead

Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

© 2003 Thankyou Music (Admin. by Integrity Music)

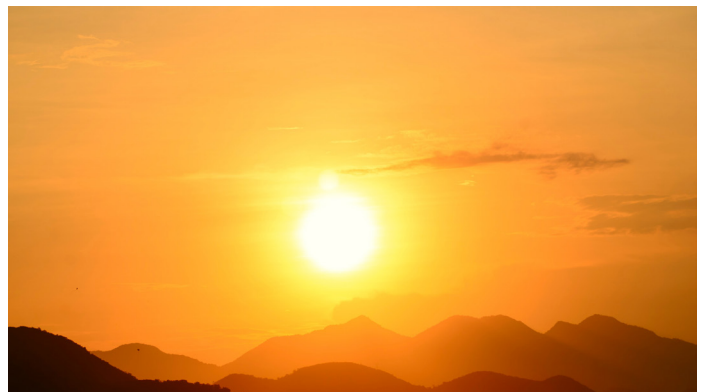
## Closing

One of the great gifts of being a Christian is you are not alone. Yes, God walks with us, but also he gives us each other, and I know that for some of us we wouldn't have got through this last year if it wasn't for each other. Next Sunday and for the next 4 Sundays we're going to be looking at how we can be the people of God to each other, and how God calls us to be as his people - to one another. So make sure you link in with us online and let's all learn together - whether we've been in church for 50 years or this is our first time.

## Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus Christ, by Your radiant and magnificent resurrection, You broke the bonds of death and rose from the grave as a conqueror. You reconciled Heaven and earth. Our life had no hope of eternal happiness before You redeemed us. Your resurrection has washed away our sins, restored our innocence, and brought us joy. How inestimable is the tenderness of Your love.

May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear. And may Christ, Our Risen Saviour, always be there by your side to bless you most abundantly and be your loving guide.



Jesus, may Your resurrecting power shine forth in our lives. In Jesus Christ's Name, I pray, Amen.