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BIBLE READING

John 20:1-18

BIBLE TALK

Promise of Resurrection

from Richard Hopkins

1. Jesus shows he is risen

2. Jesus promises us he's gone to the Father

Our closing song celebrates that Jesus is risen from the dead and now lives for ever.

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;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

CLOSING PRAYER

Our closing prayer comes from the New Testament letter of Hebrews:

May the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us what is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

That concludes our service. Why not make some video calls now to others in the church to encourage and support one another?

If you're new to Emmanuel and would like to connect with us do email info@bramcote.church



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Welcome to today's virtual service!

For each person in your home, you'll need a copy of this service sheet, a bible, print outs of the children's sheets (if needed) and your computer or tablet connected to Emmanuel's website.

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

Watch the video of Richard's welcome and intro.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Our opening song tells of the first Easter morning as Mary went to the tomb where Jesus's dead body had been laid.

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!

PTO

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 power 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!

BITESIZE

*Anna and Ed have some sad news to share but how
the resurrection of Jesus changes everything!*

*In 1 Corinthians 15, the apostle Paul sets out how
sure we can be that Jesus really was raised from
death. Read it out loud now.*

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of
the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in
which you stand, ² and by which you are being
saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to
you—unless you believed in vain.

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I
also received: that Christ died for our sins in
accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was
buried, that he was raised on the third day in
accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he
appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred
brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive,
though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared
to James, then to all the apostles.

⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared
also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles,
unworthy to be called an apostle, because I
persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of
God I am what I am, and his grace towards me was
not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than
any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of
God that is with me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or
they, so we preach and so you believed.

*In our next song, we sing about the death,
resurrection and future return of Jesus and praise
God for them:*

SONG

*O praise the name of the Lord our God
O praise His name forever more
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God*

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...

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 Son shall pierce the night.
And I will rise among the saints,
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.

PRAYERS

Say aloud the prayers that are printed below.

Father God, on this Easter Sunday, we thank you for
the hope that the resurrection of Jesus brings. We
pray for those of us who know that Jesus is risen from
death: that you would give us real joy this morning.
And we pray that you would make Jesus known to
those who aren't sure about him. **Amen.**

Father, we pray for those mourning the death of
loved ones. Please would you comfort and help them.
We pray for NHS staff on the frontline of caring for
others. Please would you equip them in their work,
strengthen them and protect them. We particularly
pray for NHS staff and other key workers in our
Emmanuel church family. We pray that they would

know you with them in their work and that you would
guide them in all that they do and shield them from
illness. We pray in Jesus name. **Amen.**

We pray for those with responsibility for making
important decisions in the government of our country
and across the world. Please would you guide them
and give them great wisdom. We pray that this
coronavirus would be contained and then eradicated.
We pray in the mighty name of Jesus. **Amen.**

We pray for Christians celebrating the resurrection of
Jesus across the world today. Particularly, we pray
for Josh and Helen Chard, our mission partners
serving you in Kenya. We pray that they would have
much joy today and that they would be able to trust
you for whatever the future holds. **Amen.**

*In our next song, we'll celebrate that "the tomb is
gloriously empty"!*

SONG

Jesus is Lord
the cry that echoes through creation;
resplendent power, eternal Word, our Rock.
The Son of God,
the King whose glory fills the heavens,
yet bids us come to taste this living Bread.

Jesus is Lord -
whose voice sustains the stars and planets,
yet in His wisdom laid aside His crown.
Jesus the Man,
who washed our feet, who bore our suffering
became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

Jesus is Lord -
the tomb is gloriously empty!
Not even death could crush this King of love!
The price is paid,
the chains are loosed, and we're forgiven,
and we can run into the arms of God.

'Jesus is Lord' -
a shout of joy, a cry of anguish,
as He returns, and every knee bows low.
Then every eye and every heart will see His glory,
the Judge of all will take His children home.