Fear not, I am with you. Oh be not dismayed, for I am your God and will still give you aid. I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my gracious, omnipotent hand.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace all-sufficient shall be your supply. The flame shall not hurt you, my only design: your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I cannot desert to his foes.

The soul, though all Hell should endeavour to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake!

I'll never, no never, no never forsake!

Call to God to save us from lying words (1-4)

SERMON NOTES

Psalm 12

**Trust God's perfect words (5-8)** 

In the closing video we get a sneak preview to Easter Explorers and Richard closes in prayer.

CLOSING PRAYER from Richard Hopkins



# Sunday 28 March 2021

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

Watch the video of Richard's welcome.

We start our service by telling our souls to declare the greatness of God!

### SONG

Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice; tender to me the promise of his Word in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name! Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done; his mercy sure, from age to age the same – his holy name: the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might! Powers and dominions lay their glory by; proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his Word! Firm is his promise and his mercy sure. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord to children's children and for evermore!

# BITESIZE

Richard interviews Kingsley, one of our church members.

In our next song we tell God that we want to trust Him in good times and bad times.

### SONG

I'm going to trust in God
I'm going to trust in Jesus
without shame and without fear.
I'm going to fix my eyes on the hope of glory
for his day is drawing near.

How great is the love of God, how steady is his hand to guide me through this world.

And though I'm weak in him I stand and you will hear me say today in faith, "I'm going to trust in God."

Now when the cares of life seem overwhelming and my heart is sinking down I'm going to lift my hands to the One who'll help me, to the One who holds my crown.

How great is the love of God, how steady is his hand...

Psalm 19 tells us about why we can trust God's word.

READING from Psalm 19:7-11

"The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;

the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the Lord are true,

and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold,

even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey

and drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward."

In our next video Richard introduces our mission partner Noblesse and Richard Elliott leads us in prayer.

BITESIZE 2 & PRAYERS

led by Richard Elliott

Our next song urges us to see how wonderful our God is.

## SONG

Who has held the oceans in his hand? Who has numbered every grain of sand? Kings and nations tremble at his voice; all creation rises to rejoice:

Behold our God! Seated on his throne, come let us adore him. Behold our King! Nothing can compare: come let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of his words? Who can teach the one who knows all things? Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

Behold our God! Seated on his throne...

Who has felt the nails upon his hands bearing all the guilt of sinful man? God eternal, humbled to the grave; Jesus, Saviour, risen now to reign!

Behold our God! Seated on his throne...

MEN: You will reign forever!

WOMEN: Let your glory fill the earth! (repeat)

In the next video Becci introduces the children's material for today, Judith reads the bible passage which Rich then speaks on.

BIBLE TALK Psalm 12

by Rich Adam

In our closing two songs we say that we want to trust God's perfect words.

## SONGS

From the breaking of the dawn to the setting of the sun, I will stand on every promise of your word. Words of power, strong to save, that will never pass away; I will stand on every promise of your word. For your covenant is sure, and on this I am secure: I can stand on every promise of your word.

When I stumble and I sin, condemnation pressing in, I will stand on every promise of your word. You are faithful to forgive, that in freedom I might live, so I stand on every promise of your word. Guilt to innocence restored; you remember sins no more. So I'll stand on every promise of your word.

When I'm faced with anguished choice, I will listen for your voice, and I'll stand on every promise of your word. Through this dark and troubled land, you will guide me with your hand as I stand on every promise of your word. And you've promised to complete every work begun in me so I'll stand on every promise of your word.

Hope that lifts me from despair; love that casts out every fear as I stand on every promise of your word. Not forsaken, not alone, for the Comforter has come.

And I stand on every promise of your word. Grace sufficient, grace for me, grace for all who will believe.

We will stand on every promise of your word.

How firm a foundation you saints of the Lord is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you than he has said, to you who to Jesus for refuge have fled?

In every condition, in sickness, in health, in poverty's vale or abounding in wealth, at home and abroad, on the land, on the sea, as days may demand, shall your strength ever be.