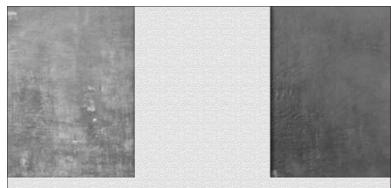
"The Power and the Paradox of Oneness" "cont" • United in holiness, 1Pet. 15–16. d. The reason for the unity. i. A different look at "the world". John 13:35. ii. The power of unity. 3. Unified in glory, vs. 22. a. Defining "glory", John 17:5. i. The glory of the Cross, John 12:23, 13:31-32, 17:1-4. ii. The glory of redemption. b. The glorious task, Acts 5:40-41, Luke 9:23. c. Glory that unifies. 4. Unified in love, vs. 23. a. The perfect Mediator, John 14:23. b. Perfect oneness. c. Unity through faith, John 17:21. d. The unity of God's love, John 3:16, Eph. 3:17-19. III. Application, Rev. 3:8. IV. Conclusion









#### The Power and the Paradox of Oneness

JOHN 17:20-23

# Traditional Worship Service

March 29, 2020 10:00 a.m.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP "How Great Thou Art"

## WELCOME AND INVOCATION TO WORSHIP

MOMENT IN THE WORD: Psa. 133:1-3

## SINGING TOGETHER:

"Salvation's Song" "The Love of God" "Is He Worthy?"

### RESPONSIVE READING: Psa. 27:1-14

## PRAYER FOR THE GATHERING

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSE SONG: 'Doxology'

SCRIPTURE READING: John 17:20-23

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MESSAGE: "The Power and the Paradox of Oneness" John 17:20-23

### PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

### **RESPONSE SONG**

"Is He Worthy?"

## BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION - "How Great Thou Art"

Rev. Kirby Williams Worship Leader – Byron & Stacy Cox

#### "The Power and the Paradox of Oneness" John 17:20–23

I. Introduction II. Exposition of the text, John 17:20–23. A. Context, John 17:17-19. 1. The centrality of the Word, vs. 17. 2. The mission and purpose of the Apostles to share that Word vs. 18. 3. The sanctification of Jesus as sacrifice and High Priest, vs. 19. B. Power in Unity. 1. Exponentially expanding the scope of His prayer, vs. 20. a. Another negative statement, John 17:9,15. b. Focus on the church. i. The foundation of the Word. ii. Absolute certainty of outcome. c. A paradigm shift. d. A profound prayer for all believers, James 5:16. 2. Unity with a purpose, vs. 21. a. Overview, vs. 21-23. b. Jesus' prays for unity. i. Defining "unity". · The detrimental application of unity. • The positive application of unity. ii. The exclusiveness of unity, John 1:12-13. iii. The bond of unity, 1Cor. 12:12–13, John 15:2,4-6, 10:16. c. Unity reflective of the Trinity. i. The foundation of unity, John 5:23, John 10:30, 14:10. ii. Going deeper, 1John 4:8. • United in the communicable attributes. • United in love, 1John 4:8.

Worship Songs 10:00 a.m. Service March 29, 2020

Moment in the Word: Psa. 133:1-3

Psa. 133:1. Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!

Psa. 133:2. It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!

Psa. 133:3. It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion! For there the Lord has commanded the blessing,life forevermore.

# Scripture Reading: Psa. 27:1-14

Psa. 27:1. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Psa. 27:2. When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

Psa. 27:3. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

Psa. 27:4. One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.

Psa. 27:5. For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

Psa. 27:6. And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of Joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Psa. 27:7. Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me!

Psa. 27:8. You have said, "Seek my face." My heart says to you, "Your face, Lord, do I seek."

Psa. 27:9. Hide not your face from me. Turn not your servant away in anger, O you who have been my help. Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!

Psa. 27:10. For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the Lord will take me in.

Psa. 27:11. Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

Psa. 27:12. Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.

Psa. 27:13. I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living!

Psa. 27:14. Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

# How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder, Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r thro'out the universe displayed.

# Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When thro' the woods and forest glades I wander, And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; (Refrain) And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin. (Refrain)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation, And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, And there proclaim: My God, how great Thou art! (Refrain)

#### Salvation's Song

Loved before the dawn of time, chosen by my Maker, hidden in my Savior, I am His and He is mine, cherished for eternity. When I'm stained with guilt and sin, He is there to lift me, heal me and forgive me, Gives me strength to stand again, stronger than I was before. So with every breath that I am given, I will sing salvation's song. And I'll join the chorus of creation, giving praise to Christ alone.

All the claims of Satan's curse lifted through His offering, satisfied through suffering; All the blessings He deserves poured on my unworthy soul.

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Singing glory, honor, wisdom, power to the Lamb upon the throne. Hallelujah, I will lift Him high. Singing glory, honor, wisdom, power to the Lamb upon the throne. Hallelujah, I will sing with every breath that I am given, I will sing salvation's song. And I'll join the chorus of creation, giving praise to Christ alone.

Stars will fade and mountains fall, Christ will shine forever, love's unfading splendor; Earth and heaven will bow in awe joining in salvation's song.

## The Love of God

The love of God is greater far Than tongue or pen can ever tell; It goes beyond the highest star, And reaches to the lowest hell; The guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave His Son to win; His erring child He reconciled, And pardoned from his sin. Refrain O love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong! It shall forevermore endure-The saints' and angels' song!

When years of time shall pass away And earthly thrones and kingdoms fall, When men who here refuse to pray, On rocks and hills and mountains call, God's love so sure shall still endure, All measureless and strong; Redeeming grace to Adam's racethe saints' and angels' song. (Refrain)

Could we with ink the ocean fill And were the skies of parchment made, Were every stalk on earth a quill And every man a scribe by trade, To write the love of God above Would drain the ocean dry; Nor could the scroll contain the whole, Tho' stretched from sky to sky. (Refrain)

Is He Worthy?

Do you feel the world is broken? (We do!) Do you feel the shadows deepen? (We do!) But do you know that all the dark, Won't stop the light from getting through? (We do!) Do you wish that you could see it all made new? (We do!)

Is all creation groaning? (It is!) Is a new creation coming? (It is!) Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? (It is!) Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? (It is!)

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's root and the Lamb, Who died to ransom the slave Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory, Is He worthy of this? (He is!)

Does the Father truly love us? (He does!) Does the Spirit move among us? (He does!) And does Jesus our Messiah hold forever those He loves? (He does!) Does our God intend to dwell again with us? (He does!) Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's root and the Lamb, Who died to ransom the slave.

From ev'ry people and tribe, ev'ry nation and tongue, He has made us a kingdom and priests to God To reign with the Son. Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory, Is He worthy of this? (He is!) (He is!)

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# How Great Thou Art

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art! How great Thou art!