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The AfterChurch (11:45 am)  
· [www.nhccftl.org/after](http://www.nhccftl.org/after)  
Wed. Night Bible Study (6:30 pm)  
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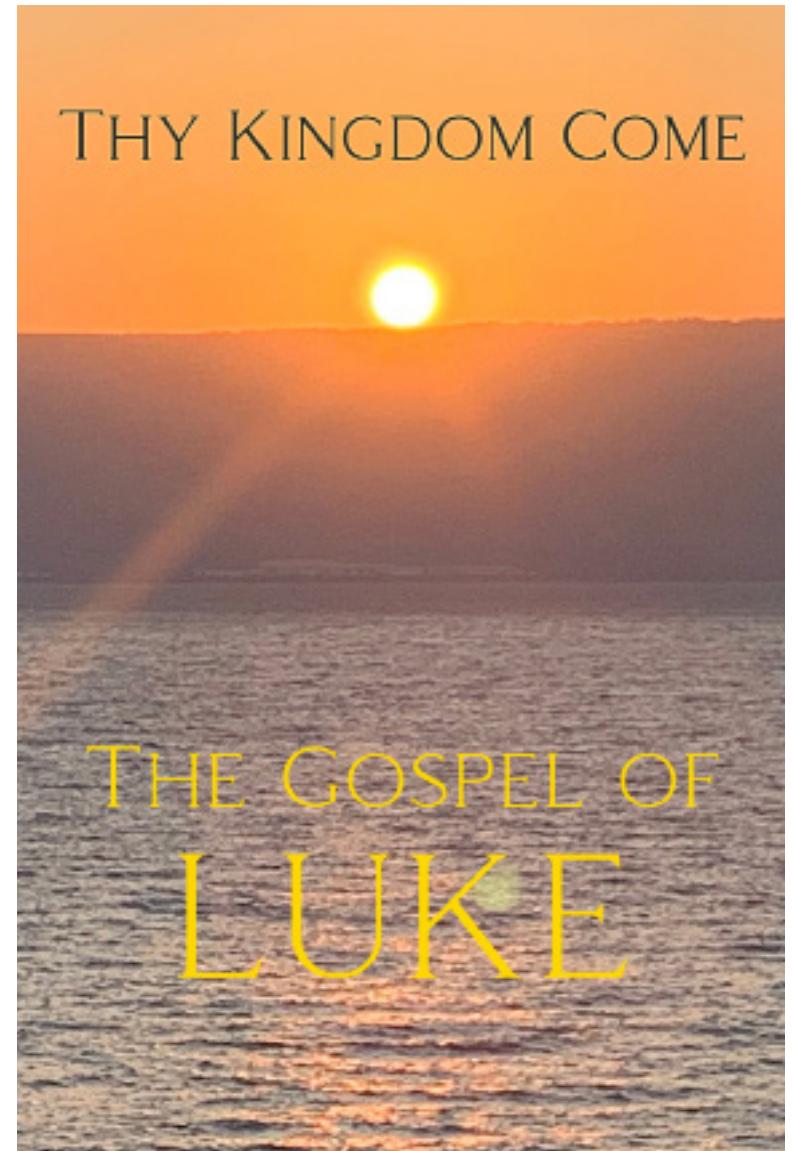
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## Worship Service

August 6, 2023

10:00 a.m.

### Announcements

### Call To Worship

"Come Christians, Join to Sing"

### Welcome And Invocation To Worship

Moment In The Word: Isa. 49:24-25      Deacon Frank Medina

### Singing Together:

"To God Be the Glory"

"Shout to the Lord"

"Salvation's Song"

Responsive Reading: Isa. 49:7-13

### Prayer For The Gathering

### The Lord's Prayer

### Doxology

### Friendship Time

Offertory & Special Music: "You Are My All in All"

\*\* Dismissal of Children's Church

Scripture Reading: Luke 11:21-23

### Prayer For Illumination

Message: "The Cosmic Initiative"

### Prayer For Understanding

Response Song: "Spirit of the Living God"

### Benediction

Choral Benediction: "Shout to the Lord"

## Discipleship Opportunities

### The AfterChurch

*Postponed for July*

### Wednesday Night Bible Study

*Postponed for summer*

### Wednesday Night Youth Group

*Postponed for summer*

### J.A.M. Club

*Postponed for summer*

### Saturday Bible Studies (2nd & 4th

Saturdays)

\* Men's Breakfast at 7:30 a.m.

### Women's Ministries Prayer Team

Third Saturday of each month.

9:00 a.m. in the Library.

*Women praying for women*

\* Check the back page for streaming links!

## Prayer Needs

Jan Vermaas

Ashley Williams

Ken Vander Kodde

Moreen Bennett

Henry Becker

Nancy Gritter

Donna Weyd

Grace Karim

Bobbie Sayre

Dee Miller

Paul & Anna DaCosta

Prayer Chain: [prayer@nhccftl.org](mailto:prayer@nhccftl.org)

### Birthdays

Dora Medina

August 1

Joey Russo

August 2

Cheryl Comer

August 6

Pat Pinkston

August 6

Christine Hopwood

August 11

Jessica Aviles

August 15

Byron Cox

August 18

Gabriel Aviles

August 23

Chardel Walters

August 27

Gabby Medina

August 28

### Anniversaries

Brian & Dawn Duplak

August 5

Tom & Nancy Gritter

August 7

Dan & Amanda Avila

August 19

### We Thank Those Who Serve Today

Sound Booth      Bob Timmer

Anita Orsini

Ushers              Steve Shoemaker

Bill Slager

Greeter             Frank Medina

Treats               Lois Wilson &

Barbara Koss

Nursery             Lois Wilson

### This Week...

6      Worship Service              10:00 a.m.

New Member's Class      11:45 a.m.

Evenfall                          6:30 p.m.

12      Men's Breakfast                7:30 a.m.

## Announcements

Welcome to NewHope Community Church!

### Offerings –

- Today's tithes will support the ministries of New Hope Community Church.
- Today's Special Offering is for: the A/C Replacement fund.
- Next Sunday, our special offering will be for: the Benevolence fund.

### Giving Opportunities –

- Offering Boxes are located at the back of the church. Please drop your offerings as you exit or enter the Sanctuary.
- Online Giving can be made at [www.nhccftl.org/give](http://www.nhccftl.org/give)

### Tithes and Offerings –

7/30 General: \$ 6,360.00  
7/30 Special: \$ 878.74

### Special Offering Schedule –

8/6 A/C Replacement  
8/13 Benevolence  
8/20 ARK Fund  
8/27 Sanctuary

**Please – no food or drink  
in the sanctuary.**

**The Haiti Item of the Month for August:** is Small Electrics (cell phones, charging cables, ear buds, ear phones, CD players, radios). Although we highlight a different item each month, we accept all items on the Haiti Wishlist anytime. Thank you for your generosity.

**New Member's Class:** will continue today immediately after the worship service.

**EvenFall:** Please join us in the Sanctuary tonight at 6:30 for our EvenFall Service.

**Haiti Boxing Day:** will be held in the narthex, at 9:00 a.m., on Monday, August 7.

**A Communion Worship Service:** will take place next Sunday, August 13th.

## Scripture Reference: Luke 11:21–23 (ESV)

Luke 11:21. When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are safe;

Luke 11:22. but when one stronger than he attacks him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted and divides his spoil.

Luke 11:23. Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.

### Synopsis: “The Cosmic Initiative”

As Jesus continues His response to the accusation that He casts out demons by the power of Beelzebul, He makes two definitive statements concerning the cosmic nature of the spiritual battle He has come to fight. First, He clearly states His mission and purpose with an analogy about a strong man who fiercely guards his possessions but loses them to One even stronger. We will analyze the metaphor and realize that Jesus is here making it clear that far from aiding and abetting satan in His ministry-- He has come to destroy him and his kingdom of evil. And then He will make it equally clear to believers and unbelievers alike that neutrality is not an option in this spiritual battle, for the one who is not with Jesus is actually abetting the enemy and working against Him. Although there is more than one message to be gleaned from this passage, we will stay focused on the spiritual battle for the souls of humanity from the heavenly perspective-- as Jesus affirms His Cosmic Initiative to the “Silent Planet”.

# "The Cosmic Initiative" - Luke 11:21-23

## I. Introduction

- A. "Into the Silent Planet".
- B. A cosmic battle, Luke 11:20, John 3:16, 12:31, Matt. 10:34.

## II. Exposition of the text, Luke 11:21-23.

### A. Context

1. The Advent of the Kingdom and its King.
  - a. Overview, John 1:9-11.
  - b. The birth of Jesus, Luke 2:9, 13-14.
  - c. The confrontation in the desert, Luke 4:5-6, 19:10.
  - d. The parable of the Sower.
  - e. The Gerasene demoniac, Luke 8:28,31.
  - f. The Gospel offensive, Luke 9:1, 10:17-19.

### 2. The Beelzebul controversy.

### B. The cosmic strategy of the Kingdom.

1. The metaphor of the "strong man", vs. 21.
  - a. The fully-armed strong man, John 8:44.
  - b. Guarding his palace and goods.
    - i. Guarding the palace.
    - ii. Protecting his goods.
2. Conquering the strong man, vs. 22.
  - a. Analyzing the metaphor.
    - i. A "bigger fish", Dan. 5:30-31.
    - ii. The language of conquest.
  - b. Applying the metaphor.
  - c. Interpreting the metaphor.
    - i. Casting out demons, 1John 3:8.
    - ii. Saving the souls of men and women, Psa. 68:18, Luke 10:18.
    - iii. The cosmic perspective, Matt. 10:34-36, Isa. 49:24-26.
3. No neutrality, vs. 23.
  - a. Looking at the words.
  - b. Opposing forces.
    - i. To not be "for" is to be "against".
    - ii. To not "gather" is to "scatter", John 10:11.

## III. Application

- A. A message to His detractors.
- B. A call to radical discipleship, Luke 9:23-24, John 3:20-21.
- C. A warning that "good" can sometimes be "evil".
- D. Developing a unified Kingdom-core.

## IV. Conclusion

### Notes

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# Worship Songs

August 6, 2023

## Come Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing; Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ, our King; Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice, Before His throne rejoice;  
Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our Guide and Friend; To us He'll condescend;  
His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore His goodness we'll adore,  
Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

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## Moment in the Word: Isa. 49:24-25

Is. 49:24. Can the prey be taken from the mighty, or the captives of a tyrant be rescued?

Is. 49:25. For thus says the Lord: "Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken, and the prey of the tyrant be rescued, for I will contend with those who contend with you, and I will save your children."

## To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory- great things He hath 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.

Refrain

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thro' Jesus, the Son,  
And give Him the glory- great things He hath done!

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.

(Refrain)

Great things He hath taught us; great things He hath done,  
And great our rejoicing thro' Jesus, the Son.

But purer and higher and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

(Refrain)

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## Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like You,  
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love.  
My comfort, my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength,  
Let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing;  
Power and majesty; praise to the King.  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar,  
at the sound of Your Name.

I sing for joy at the works of Your Hands,  
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand;  
Nothing compares to the Promise I have in You.

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## 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.

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.

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.

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## Responsive Reading: Isa. 49:7-13

[Pastor:] Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: "Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

[Congregation:] Thus says the Lord: "In a time of favor I have answered you; in a day of salvation I have helped you; I will keep you and give you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages,

[Pastor:] saying to the prisoners, 'Come out,' to those who are in darkness, 'Appear.' They shall feed along the ways; on all bare heights shall be their pasture;

[Congregation:] they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them, for he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them.

[Pastor:] And I will make all my mountains a road, and my highways shall be raised up.

[Congregation:] Behold, these shall come from afar, and behold, these from the north and from the west, and these from the land of Syene."

[All:] Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the Lord has comforted his people and will have compassion on his afflicted.

## Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

## You Are My All in All

You are my strength when I am weak,  
You are the treasure that I seek;  
You are my all in all.  
Seeking You as a precious jewel,  
Lord, to give up, I'd be a fool;  
You are my all in all.

### Refrain

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name!  
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name!

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,  
Rising again I bless Your name;  
You are my all in all.  
When I fall down, You pick me up;  
When I am dry, You fill my cup;  
You are my all in all.  
(Refrain)

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## Spirit of the Living God

Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.  
Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.  
Cleanse me, teach me, hold me, reach me.  
Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.

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## Shout to the Lord

Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing;  
Power and majesty; praise to the King.  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar,  
at the sound of Your Name.

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