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CALVARY'S LOVE

As Experienced in Three People

- I. **Samaritan Woman** – Represents those entangled on the outside and cannot find their way in.. (John 4)
 - A. The Samaritan woman was a social outcast
 - B. She was a relational failure
 - C. She was living in the darkness caused by selfishness, pride, and self-sufficiency.
 - D. Her question: *How could God have any interest in me?*
- II. **Nicodemus** – Represents those entangled on the inside and cannot find their way out. (John 3)
 - A. He lived among those who rejected the claims of Jesus
 - B. There was a desire to learn more as his peers scoffed.
 - C. His question: *Would Jesus receive a curious man?*
- III. **Peter** – Represents the weaknesses shared by all of us when we rest in our confidence. (John 13 and John 18)
 - A. Everyone liked Peter ... He followed Jesus around for three years. – *Loyal, bold, and full of confidence.*
 - B. However, when his life was in the cross-hairs of a few questioning people ... this brave man became a coward ... the bold words were transformed into lies ... lies that denied even knowing Jesus.
 - C. His question: *How could the strong, life changing and transforming commitment, made so few years ago, vanish in the weakness of one evening?*
- IV. **Application:** How has Calvary's Love impacted your life.
 - A. Are you entangled with all the things on the outside that are hindering you from getting in?
 - B. Are you entangled with all the things on the inside that are hindering you from getting out?
 - C. Are you disillusioned by your confidence in past commitments that when tested have left you discouraged and longing for God's grace, mercy, and Calvary's Love?

Prelude

Choral Introit

*Processional Hymn No 173

All Glory, Laud and Honor

All glory, laud and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children make sweet hosannas ring:
Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One!

The company of angels are praising Thee on high,
And mortal men and all things created make reply:
The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present.

To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise:
Thou didst accept their praises—accept the praise we bring,
Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King!

*Invocation

Greetings and Announcements

Responsive Scripture Reading

Selections from John 4, 3, 13

P: ⁷ When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her,
“Will you give me a drink?”

C: ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, “You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?”

P: ¹⁰ Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.” ... “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

C: ¹⁵ The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water.” ... ²⁵ “I know that Messiah” (called Christ) “is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.”

P: ²⁶ Then Jesus declared, “I who speak to you am he.” (John 4)

C: Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a member of the Jewish ruling council. ² He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the miraculous signs you are doing if God were not with him.”

P: ³ In reply Jesus declared, “I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again.” ... ¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. (John 3)

C: ³⁶ Simon Peter asked him, “Lord, where are you going?”

P: Jesus replied, “Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow later.”

C: ³⁷ Peter asked, “Lord, why can't I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.”

P: ³⁸ Then Jesus answered, “Will you really lay down your life for me? I tell you the truth, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times! (John 13)

*Hymn No. 72 *We Will Glorify*

We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I Am.

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty, we will bow before His throne;
We will worship Him in righteousness, we will worship Him alone.

He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, He is Lord of all who live;
He is Lord above the universe, all praise to Him we give.

Hallelujah to the King of kings, hallelujah to the Lamb;
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords, who is the great I Am.

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CALVARY'S LOVE

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Performed by the NCPC Chancel Choir

Almighty God

Eternal God, merciful God, Almighty God.

Who filled the sky with radiant stars to glorify the night;

Who knows the path

that leads up to the dwelling place of light;

Creator, Master Holiness, Sustainer of my soul.

He reigns in golden splendor.

His heavens filled with wonder.

Almighty God, Almighty God, Eternal God,

Merciful God, Almighty God

Who used His words to lay out the foundations of the earth;

Who sent His Son so man, born dead,

could have a second birth;

Jehovah, Father, Mighty King, Sustainer of my soul.

He reigns in golden splendor,

His heavens filled with wonder, Almighty God,

Almighty God, He is excellent in power,

all creation speaks his Majesty.

Jesus wonder, He purchased my forever.

Eternal God, Merciful God, Almighty God.

Before All Time

Before all time before all time was the Word,

and the Word was with God,

and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.

All things were made by Him,

and nothing was created without Him.

In Him was life, and that life was the light of men,

that life was the light of men.

He was in the world,

and all the world was made through Him,

the world do not recognize Him. He came into his own

and they who were His own did not receive Him.

Yet to all who did receive Him,

to those who did believe in His name,

He gave the right to be children of God.

Grace and Truth

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,

and the Word was God,

the Word was God, the Word was Almighty God.

And the word of God became flesh and lived on earth –

among us. He was full of grace, full of truth,

full of grace and truth.

And we beheld his glory, we beheld his glory;

The glory of the father in His only son.

And the word of God became flesh

and lived on earth among us.

He was full of grace, full of truth, full of grace ,

full of grace and truth.

The Word Became Flesh

The Word became flesh and lived among us.

Heaven's Eyes

A fervent prayer rose up to heaven,

a fragile soul was losing ground.

Sorting through the earthly babble, Heaven heard the sound.

This was a life of no distinction, no successes, only tries.

Yet gazing down on this unlovely one,

there was love in heavens eyes.

In heaven's eyes there are no losers;

In heaven eyes, no hopeless cause.

Only people like you with feelings like me,
amazed by the grace we can find.
In heaven's eyes there are no losers;
In heaven eyes, no hopeless cause.
Only people like you with feelings like me,
amazed by the grace we can find.
In heaven's eyes. ...

The Word Became Flesh

The Word was made flesh and lived among us.

Only Jesus

Only Jesus, only he brings redemption full and free.
There's a yearning in all our lives that only—
only Jesus satisfies.

The Captives Went Free

From city and country the rich and the poor —
Rushed to his dwelling and crowded the door.
Hands stretched to touch Him, and eyes longed to see
This prophet power from Galilee.
The men of tradition could not understand this mighty
Messiah who walk through the land.
Demons and blindness and even the grave
Bowed to His power to heal and to save.
The captives went free from darkness,
the captives went free from pain;
Satan look 'round him and all he could see —
Where captives that Jesus set free.
The eyes of the sinner saw love in His face;
The hearts of the guilty drank deep from His grace;
Such wisdom and mercy had never been heard,
The love of His Father filled every word.
Alleluia!
The captives when free from darkness!
The captives when free from pain!
Satan looked 'round him and all he could see —
were the captives that Jesus set free!
Alleluia — Alleluia!

The Cross

Amazing love how can it be that Thou my God,
shouldst die for me!
And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me who caused His pain?
For me, who Him — to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that
Thou my God shouldst die for me?
Amazing love! How can it be that
Thou, my God shouldst die for me?

Amazing Love

Alas and did my Savior bleed? And did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?
Was it for sins that I have done He suffered on the tree?
Amazing pity! Grace unknown,
and love beyond, beyond degree!
Amazing love! How can it be — that Thou my God, the
Eternal God, the Almighty God shouldst die for me!
Amazing love, God's love!

Calvary's Love

Calvary's love will sail forever bright and shining,
strong and free.
Like an ark of peace and safety on the sea of human need.
Through the hours of all the ages,
those tried sailing on their own finally rest inside the shadow
cast by Calvary's love across their souls.
Calvary's love, Calvary's love priceless gift
Christ makes us worthy of.
The deepest sin can't rise above Calvary's love.
Calvary's love can heal the spirit life
has crushed in cast aside.
And redeemed 'til heaven's promise fills with joy —
once empty eyes.
So desire to tell the story of a love that love enough to die,
burns away all other passions and fed
by Calvary's love becomes a fire.
Calvary's love, Calvary's love, priceless gift

Christ makes us worthy of.
The deepest sin can't raise above Calvary's love.
Calvary's love has never faltered;
all it's wonders still remain.
Souls still take eternal passage,
sins atoned and heaven gained,
sins atoned and heaven gained,
sins atoned and heaven gained.

The Resurrection

It is finished; Christ has won! It was written of God's Son!
For behold the Lamb has fulfilled God's plan;
and it is finished and He has just begun!
Alleluia! He is alive! Christ has risen from the dead;
Alleluia! He's alive! Christ has risen as He said.
Alleluia! Christ has risen! Alleluia! Christ has risen!
Alleluia! Christ has risen!
Loves redeeming work is done for the fight the battle won!
Death in vain for-bids Him rise; Christ has opened paradise!
Lives again our glorious King! Alleluia!
Where, O death is now Thy sting?
Alleluia! Dying once He all doth save,
Alleluia! Where Thy victory, O grave?
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! He's alive! Christ has risen from the dead; Alleluia!
He's alive! Christ has risen as He said.
Alleluia! Christ has risen! Alleluia!
Christ has risen! Alleluia! Christ has risen! Alleluia!

Love and Mercy

The language of Jesus is love.
Just one word can bring healing and light to each heart that
has hungered for a kindness and truth,
thru the trials and triumphs of life.
The language of Jesus is love,
it's tells the greatest story ever told.
Such grace and tenderness mere words cannot express,
the language of Jesus is love.
Eternal God, Merciful God, Almighty God. –

Who used His words to lay out the foundations of the earth;
Who sent His son so man, born dead,
could have a second birth.
Jehovah, Father, Mighty King, Sustainer of my soul.
And His mercy endures forever and ever,
His boundless love is everlasting.
Give praise to the Lord; Give praise to our God;
His mercy will never end.
For His mercy in endureth forever and ever.
His boundless love is everlasting. Give praise to the Lord;
Give praise to our God; His mercy will never end.
Praise Him for his mercy, Praise Him for his love,
His everlasting love. Praise Him! Alleluia!!

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