



# *Trials and Triumph*

*a presentation of the GYC music committee*

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## *Part 1: We are Tested*

### **Reading**

The greatest want of the world is the want of men—men who will not be bought or sold, men who in their inmost souls are true and honest, men who do not fear to call sin by its right name, men whose conscience is as true to duty as the needle to the pole, men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall.

*Education 57.3*

### **Hymn #606 - Once to Every Man and Nation**

Congregation

Once to every man and nation, comes the moment to decide,  
In the strife of truth with falsehood, for the good or evil side;  
Some great cause, some great decision, offering each the bloom or blight,  
And the choice goes by forever, 'twixt that darkness and that light.

Then to side with truth is noble, when we share her wretched crust,  
Ere her cause bring fame and profit, and 'tis prosperous to be just;  
Then it is the brave man chooses while the coward stands aside,  
Till the multitude make virtue of the faith they had denied.

Though the cause of evil prosper, yet the truth alone is strong;  
Though her portion be the scaffold, and upon the throne be wrong;  
Yet that scaffold sways the future, and behind the dim unknown,  
Standeth God within the shadow, keeping watch above His own.

## Responsive Reading

Bless our God, you peoples,  
And sound His praise abroad,  
Who keeps us in life,  
And does not allow our feet to slip...

**For You have put us to the test, God;  
You have refined us as silver is refined.  
You brought us into the net;  
You laid an oppressive burden upon us.**

You made men ride over our heads;  
We went through fire and through water.  
Yet You brought us out into a place of abundance.

*Psalm 66*

## Special Music - Songs in the Night

Abigail Shaw, Sasha Leger, Christine Martins, Tyler Ninalga

Notes of praise in the hours of darkness  
Notes of praise when God seems silent  
In questions or pain  
Or anger or shame  
There's still a song in the night

Sing though the shadows taunt you  
Sing though your tears abound  
Sing though your heart falls to pieces  
Sing, Oh sing, for the morning will come

There is one who knows your burden  
There is one who's right here with you  
You don't have to do this alone  
He is your strength and your song

## Reading

So many burdened lives along the way!  
My load seems lighter than the most I see,  
And oft I wonder if I could be brave,  
Patient and sweet if they were laid on me.

But God has never said that He would give  
Another's grace without another's thorn;  
What matter, since for every day of mine  
Sufficient grace for me comes with the morn?

And though the future brings some heavier cross  
I need not cloud the present with my fears;  
I know the grace that is enough today  
Will be sufficient still through all the years.

*Annie Johnson Flint*

## *Part 2: God Is With Us*

### **Responsive Reading**

Save me, God,  
For the waters have threatened my life.  
I have sunk in deep mud, and there is no foothold;  
I have come into deep waters, and a flood overflows me.  
I am weary with my crying; my throat is parched;  
My eyes fail while I wait for my God.

**But as for me, my prayer is to You, Lord, at an acceptable time;  
God, in the greatness of Your mercy,  
Answer me with Your saving truth.  
Rescue me from the mud and do not let me sink;  
May I be rescued from those who hate me, and from the depths of water.  
May the flood of water not overflow me  
Nor the deep swallow me up,  
Nor the pit close its mouth on me.**

Answer me, Lord, for Your mercy is good;  
According to the greatness of Your compassion, turn to me,  
And do not hide Your face from Your servant,  
For I am in distress; answer me quickly.  
Come near to my soul and redeem it;  
Ransom me because of my enemies!

## Special Music - He Will Hold Me Fast

Elvira Meister, Daniel Orellana, Amos Chon, Tyler Ninalga

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast  
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast  
I could never keep my hold Through life's fearful path  
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast  
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast  
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast  
He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last  
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast  
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast  
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast  
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast  
'Til our faith is turned to sight When He comes at last!

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast  
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast

*Ada Ruth Habershon*

## Reading

I remember my affliction and my wandering,  
the bitterness and the gall.  
I well remember them,  
and my soul is downcast within me.  
Yet this I call to mind  
and therefore I have hope:

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed,  
for his compassions never fail.  
They are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.  
I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion;  
therefore I will wait for him."

The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him,  
to the one who seeks him;  
it is good to wait quietly  
for the salvation of the Lord.  
It is good for a man to bear the yoke  
while he is young.

Let him sit alone in silence,  
for the Lord has laid it on him.  
Let him bury his face in the dust—  
there may yet be hope.  
Let him offer his cheek to one who would strike him,  
and let him be filled with disgrace.

For no one is cast off by the Lord forever.  
Though he brings grief, he will show compassion,  
so great is his unfailing love.  
For he does not willingly bring affliction  
or grief to anyone.

## Special Music - Redeemer of the Rain

Hannah Evert, Benjamin Carpenter, Tony Evert

Who doesn't wish for sunny days?  
That the sky above us would never turn grey  
But life isn't always sunshine  
We have times that leave us asking why  
And when the clouds roll in and tears begin to fall  
There must be a reason for it all

Redeemer of the rain  
The Lord will never waste our pain  
He brings beauty out of brokenness  
And hope to our heartache  
Healing out of every hurt  
That invades our shattered world  
We never walk through trials in vain  
He's the redeemer of the rain

Every problem that we face  
Is sifted by the Father  
Through hands of grace  
He uses sorrow to draw us  
To call us closer to His side  
It's in the middle of the storm  
We learn to trust  
That He is always watching over us

Dark days we walk through  
They lead a path for others  
Leading them to the  
Redeemer of the rain

*Lee Black, Lynn Dixie Philips, and Leigh Sharon Philips*



**Hymn #532 - Day by Day**  
Congregation

Day by day, and with each passing moment,  
Strength I find, to meet my trials here;  
Trusting in my Father's wise bestowment,  
I've no cause for worry or for fear.  
He Whose heart is kind beyond all measure  
Gives unto each day what He deems best—  
Lovingly, its part of pain and pleasure,  
Mingling toil with peace and rest.

Every day, the Lord Himself is near me  
With a special mercy for each hour;  
All my cares He fain would bear, and cheer me,  
He Whose Name is Counselor and Power;  
The protection of His child and treasure  
Is a charge that on Himself He laid;  
"As thy days, thy strength shall be in measure,"  
This the pledge to me He made.

Help me then in every tribulation  
So to trust Thy promises, O Lord,  
That I lose not faith's sweet consolation  
Offered me within Thy holy Word.  
Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting,  
Ever to take, as from a father's hand,  
One by one, the days, the moments fleeting,  
Till I reach the promised land.

*Carolina Sandell*

## Responsive Reading

Remember what I told you:  
'A servant is not greater than his master.'  
If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also.  
If they obeyed my teaching, they will obey yours also.

John 15:20

Do not fear what you are about to suffer.  
Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison,  
so that you will be tested, and you will have tribulation for ten days.  
Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

Revelation 2:10

**Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you,  
and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me.  
Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great;  
for in this same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.**

Matthew 5:10–12

## Special Music - The Blessed Hope

Weimar University Choir and Orchestra

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not,  
even as others which have no hope.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring  
with him.

For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of  
the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with  
the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be  
caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the  
Lord.

## *Part 3: God is Glorified*

### **Reading**

The Spirit of the Almighty is moving upon men's hearts, and those who respond to its influence become witnesses for God and His truth.

In many places consecrated men and women may be seen communicating to others the light that has made plain to them the way of salvation through Christ.

And as they continue to let their light shine, as did those who were baptized with the Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, they receive more and still more of the Spirit's power.

Thus the earth is to be lightened with the glory of God.

*Acts of the Apostles 53.2*

### **Special Music – In Your Arms**

Tsikirai Family

Through the storms of life  
Lead me into your light  
Give my heart a new song  
When I'm weak make me strong  
By Your word lead me  
Into pastures of peace hold me close  
Safely rest in your arms  
You're my Redeemer and amazing grace  
My fortress, and my hiding place  
You're my deliverer and my solid rock  
My soul's desire is in You

Through all creation  
Your ways are known  
'Cause you are the God  
Who's God alone  
You are a God alone  
Let every, let every nation  
And let every tongue  
Confess that You are Lord of all

## Responsive Reading

My mouth shall tell of Your righteousness and Your salvation all the day,  
For I do not know their limits.

I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD;  
I will make mention of Your righteousness, of Yours only.

O God, You have taught me from my youth;  
And to this day I declare Your wondrous works.

Now also when I am old and grayheaded, O God, do not forsake me,  
Until I declare Your strength to this generation, Your power to everyone who is to come.

Also Your righteousness, O God, is very high, You who have done great things;  
O God, who is like You?

You, who have shown me great and severe troubles, shall revive me again,  
And bring me up again from the depths of the earth.  
You shall increase my greatness, And comfort me on every side.

Also with the lute I will praise You--and Your faithfulness,  
O my God! To You I will sing with the harp, O Holy One of Israel.  
My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing to You, and my soul, which You have redeemed.  
My tongue also shall talk of Your righteousness all the day long;  
For they are confounded, for they are brought to shame Who seek my hurt.

## Special Music - Behold Our God

Fountainview Academy Orchestra and Choir

Who has held the oceans in his hands?  
Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at his voice  
All creation rises to rejoice

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?

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

You will reign forever  
Let Your glory fill the Earth  
You will reign forever  
Behold our God, seated on his throne  
Come, let us adore him  
Behold our king, nothing can compare  
Come, let us adore

**Hymn #341 - To God be the Glory**  
Congregation

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 lifegate 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 thru 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 thru Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher, and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see!

Refrain

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