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It is a glorious thing we have a high priest who is able to sympathize with our weaknesses (Hebrews 4:15). Jesus became weak to make a way for God to save and now commission weak people to accomplish his glorious purposes in the world. So like Paul, we can say, “I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me” (2 Corinthians 12:9).

— Seven Lee

The God Who Chooses the Weak

Scripture for Meditation

Psalm 130:1–6

A Song of Ascents. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

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Psalm of Trust

Psalm 130

I wait, my soul waits for the Lord.
My hope is in His word.
More than the watchman waits for dawn,
My soul waits for the Lord.

Out of the depths I cry to You;
In darkest places I will call.
Incline Your ear to me anew,
And hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were You to count my sinful ways,
How could I come before Your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze;
I stand redeemed by grace alone.

Refrain:

*I will wait for You! I will wait for You!
On Your word, I will rely;
I will wait for You,
Surely wait for You
Till my soul is satisfied.*

So put your hope in God alone;
Take courage in His power to save,
Completely and forever won
By Christ emerging from the grave.

Now He has come to make a way,
And God Himself has paid the price,

That all who trust in Him today
Find healing in His sacrifice!

Last Refrain:

*I will wait for You! I will wait for You!
On Your word, I will rely;
I will wait for You, surely wait for You
Till my soul is satisfied.
I will wait for You! I will wait for You
Through the storm and through the night!
I will wait for You, surely wait for You;
For Your love is my delight.*

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Offertory Hymn of Love

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That he should give his only son, to make a wretch his treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turned his face
away
As wounds which mar the chosen one bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon his shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held him there until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom,
But I will boast in Jesus Christ: his death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart: his wounds have paid my
ransom.

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Prayer of Blessing

Responsive Reading

I Corinthians 1:26–31

For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise
according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not
many were of noble birth.

**But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the
wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the
strong;**

God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things
that are not, to bring to nothing things that are,

so that no human being might boast in the presence of God.

And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to
us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification
and redemption, so that, as it is written,

“Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Hymn of Consecration

Take My Life

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Arrangement and additional choruses
by Chris Tomlin and Louie Giglio

1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee. —
2. Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King. —
3. Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no long - er mine. —

5
Take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise. —
Take my lips, and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from Thee. —
Take my heart; it is Thine own. It shall be Thy roy - al throne.

9
Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of Thy love. —
Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold. —
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at your feet its treas - ure store. —

13
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee. —
Take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry pow - er as you choose. —
Take my - self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee. —

17
1. | 2. 3.
Here am I,

21
all of me. — Take my life,

25
To verse 3, then repeat chorus
it's all for Thee. — Take my life, and let it be

30
con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee.

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Prayer of Corporate Confession

Silence for Personal Confession

Take a moment for self-reflection, and talk with God quietly about your sin and your need for a Savior.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 130:7, 8

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Dismissal for Children

During this next song, children ages 3 – K5 may be dismissed for children’s classes downstairs.

Hymn of Pardon

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior,
Precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a Lamb could
Rescue the souls of men?
O You rescue the souls of men.

Refrain:

*You are the One that we praise;
You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our*

*Hearts always hunger for,
O our hearts always hunger for.*

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper,
Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have
Hopelessly lost the way.
O we hopelessly lost the way.

Almighty, infinite Father,
Faithfully loving Your own,
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne,
O we're falling before Your throne.

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Ministry of the Word

Notes

Sunday Service Times

9:15 am Family Bible Time
10:00 am Corporate Prayer Service
10:45 am Corporate Worship Service

*A nursery is available for all services. Sunday sermons are available on our website or at ebcupstate.sermonaudio.com.

Announcements

Emmanuel Bible Church is a community of believers committed to glorifying God by applying the Gospel to every area of life and to making disciples who will love God with all their hearts and their neighbors as themselves.

We are thrilled to be a part of what God is doing in the Upstate. Few things are as exciting as seeing lives and relationships changed through the clear teaching of God's Word. After all, we are made expressly to be in a relationship with Him and to recognize Jesus as our Lord and Savior. At Emmanuel we strive to bring God glory through singing and praying together, hearing His Word preached, loving Him, and loving one another.

We would be delighted to have an opportunity to meet you. We are here to help and encourage you through the teaching of God's Word and through biblical fellowship.

—*Brad Baugham, teaching pastor*

Ministers

The congregation at large

Pastors

Jonathan Bastoni
Brad Baugham
Jared Garcia
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Janine Gieck

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Coordinator*

Sherry Ferguson