

December 31, 2023

If you have been truly born again you have a new and holy nature, and you are no longer moved towards sinful objects as you were before. The things that you once loved you now hate, and therefore you will not run after them. . . . The man who puts his trust in the Lord sees the pleasures of sin in a new light. . . . The flesh sees honey in the drink, but faith at once perceives that there is poison in the cup. Faith spies the snake in the grass and gives warning of it. Faith remembers death, judgment, the great reward, the just punishment and that dread word, eternity.

— C. H. Spurgeon

# The Christ Who Makes All Things New

## **Scripture for Meditation**

*Revelation 21:5a*

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And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold,  
I am making all things new.”

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## Hymn of Praise

### *All Glory Be to Christ*

Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive,  
Unless the Lord does raise the house in vain its builders strive.

To you who boast tomorrow's gain tell me what is your life?  
A mist that vanishes at dawn. All glory be to Christ!

### *Refrain:*

*All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ!  
His rule and reign we'll ever sing. All glory be to Christ!*

His will be done; His kingdom come  
On earth as is above, Who is Himself our daily bread.  
Praise Him the Lord of love.

Let living water satisfy the thirsty without price.  
We'll take a cup of kindness yet. All glory be to Christ!

### *Refrain*

When on the day the great I am, the faithful and the true,  
The Lamb who was for sinners slain is making all things new.

Behold our God shall live with us and be our steadfast light,  
And we shall ere his people be; all glory be to Christ!

### *Refrain*

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## Hymn of Restoration

### *Joy to the World*

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
And Heaven and nature sing,  
And Heaven and nature sing,  
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
Let men their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,  
Nor thorns infest the ground;  
He comes to make His blessings flow  
Far as the curse is found,  
Far as the curse is found,  
Far as, far as, the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

## Prayer of Blessing

### Responsive Reading

*Ezekiel 36:24–28*

I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you.

**And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.**

You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

### Hymn of Redemption

*Let the Nations Be Glad*

Let the glory of the Lord  
Forever be our joy  
May redemption be the theme of our song  
For by grace we have been saved  
And by grace we shall proclaim  
To the corners of the earth that Christ is come.

*Refrain:*

*Let the nations be glad*

*Let the people rejoice*

*For salvation belongs to our God  
Let the whole earth be filled  
With the praises of the Lord  
For salvation belongs to our God  
Let the nations be glad!*

Through the ages gone before  
Through the trial and the sword  
Many saints and martyrs conquered though they died  
Still we're holding out the cross  
Crossing oceans, suffering loss  
Shall endure all things to win the crown of life.

As Your holy church goes forth  
In the Holy Spirit's pow'r  
With the glories of the gospel to exclaim  
Now we pray, "Your Kingdom come"  
And we pray, "Your will be done"  
For the honor and the glory of Your name.

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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**

*2 Corinthians 5:21*

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

*Response: Thanks be to God.*

## **Hymn of Salvation**

*It Was Finished Upon That Cross*

How I love the voice of Jesus  
On the Cross of Calvary  
He declares his work is finished  
He has spoken this hope to me  
Though the sun had ceased its shining  
– Though the war appeared as lost  
Christ had triumphed over evil  
It was finished upon that Cross.

Now the curse it has been broken  
Jesus paid the price for me  
Full, the pardon he has offered  
Great, the welcome that I receive  
Boldly I approach my Father  
– Clothed in Jesus' righteousness  
There is no more guilt to carry  
It was finished upon that Cross.

Death was once my great opponent  
Fear once had a hold on me  
But the Son who died to save us

Rose that we would be free indeed!  
Death was once my great opponent  
Fear once had a hold on me  
But the Son who died to save us  
Rose that we would be free indeed!  
Yes, He Rose that we would be free indeed!

Free from every plan of darkness  
– Free to live and free to love  
Death is dead and Christ is risen!  
It was finished upon that Cross!

Onward to eternal glory  
– To my Saviour and my God  
I rejoice in Jesus' victory  
It was finished upon that Cross  
It was finished upon that Cross,  
It was finished upon that Cross!

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## **Confession of Faith**

*Second London Baptist Confession of Faith 1689:  
Article 27, Paragraph 1*

**All saints that are united to Jesus Christ, their head, by his Spirit, and faith, although they are not made thereby one person with him, have fellowship in his graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory; and, being united to one another in love, they have communion in each others gifts and graces, and are obliged to the performance of such**



**duties, public and private, in an orderly way, as do conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man.**

## **Hymn of Shalom**

*We Will Feast in the House of Zion*

*Chorus:*

*We will feast in the house of Zion;*

*We will sing with our hearts restored.*

*“He has done great things,” we will say together;*

*We will feast, and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire.

He is the lord our God.

We are not consumed by the flood,

Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn,

My soul be not afraid.

For the promised morning, oh, how long;

Oh, God of Jacob be my strength.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed;

You are the faithful one.

And from the garden to the grave,

Bind us together, bring shalom.

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## **Ministry of the Word**

## **Sunday Service Times**

9:15 am          Corporate Prayer Service

10:30 am        Corporate Worship Service

\*A nursery is available for all services. Sunday sermons are available on our website or at [ebcupstate.sermonaudio.com](http://ebcupstate.sermonaudio.com)

**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*

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*Ministers*

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