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The greatest sorrow and burden you can lay upon the Father, the greatest unkindness you can do to Him is not to believe that He loves you.

– John Owen

# The Christ Who Freed Us by His Blood

## Scripture for Meditation

*Revelation 1:5b–7*

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To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

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## Hymn of Wonder

### *And Can It Be*

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?

Long my imprisoned spirit lay,  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray—  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

## **Offertory Hymn of Revelation**

*Hallelujah! What a Savior!*

“Man of sorrows,” what a name  
For the Son of God who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim!  
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,  
In my place condemned He stood;  
Sealed my pardon with His blood!  
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die,  
“It is finished,” was His cry;  
Now in heav’n exalted high!  
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King,  
All His ransomed home to bring,  
Then anew this song we’ll sing:  
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Philip P. Bliss, 1838-1876

## **Prayer of Blessing**

### **Responsive Reading**

*Exodus 19:1–6*

On the third new moon after the people of Israel had gone out of the land of Egypt, on that day they came into the wilderness

of Sinai. They set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, while Moses went up to God. The Lord called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel:

**'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.'**

These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

## **Hymn of Redemption**

### *I Will Glory in My Redeemer*

I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me.  
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails,  
And hung Him on that judgment tree.  
I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Who crushed the pow'r of sin and death,  
My only Savior before the holy Judge:  
The Lamb Who is my righteousness,  
The Lamb Who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer,  
My life He bought, my love He owns.  
I have no longings for another;

I'm satisfied in Him alone.  
I will glory in my Redeemer,  
His faithfulness my standing place.  
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me,  
My feet are firm, held by His grace,  
My feet are firm, held by His grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Who carries me on eagle's wings.  
He crowns my life with lovingkindness;  
His triumph song I'll ever sing.  
I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Who waits for me at gates of gold,  
And when He calls me it will be paradise  
His face forever to behold,  
His face forever to behold.

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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**

*Acts 13:38, 39*

Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you, and by

him everyone who believes is freed from everything from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

*Response: Thanks be to God.*

## **Hymn of Pardon**

### *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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## **Dismissal for Children**

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

## **Hymn of Praise**

### *All Creatures of Our God and King*

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam!

*Refrain:*

*O praise Him! O praise Him!*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!

All the redeemed washed by His blood,  
Come, and rejoice in His great love!  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Christ has defeated every sin.  
Cast all your burdens now on Him!

He shall return in pow'r to reign.  
Heav-en and earth will join to say:  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Then who shall fall on bended knee?  
All creatures of our God and King!

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## **Ministry of the Word**



## **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](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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