



# BASINGSTOKE SALVATION ARMY

## quarantine worship

**Sunday 22 March 2020**

### Introduction

Welcome to the first in our series of Quarantine Worship, an opportunity for us to join in worship together, even though we are confined to our homes and unable to join in worship at the Hall.

If you're able to join us online, we'll be live at 11am every Sunday, and you can follow along with us, using this sheet. You can find us online at

<https://www.christianworldmedia.com/livesite/BasingstokeSalvationArmy> or on our Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/BasingstokeSalvationArmy/>

If not, why not stop at 11am on Sunday and sense that we're joining together, whether we're online or using a piece of paper. Of course, you can use this resource at any time.

Today is Mother's Day. So please pause at the start of worship and thank God for mothers – they come in all shapes and sizes from birth mothers, to grandparents, to godmothers and many others.

### Song – Praise is rising

1 Praise is rising,  
eyes are turning to you,  
we turn to you.  
Hope is stirring,  
hearts are yearning for you,  
we long for you.

*Hosanna, hosanna,  
you are the God who saves us,  
worthy of all our praises.  
Hosanna, hosanna,  
come, have your way among us;  
we welcome you here, Lord  
Jesus.*

'Cause when we see you, we find  
strength to face the day;  
in your presence all our fears are  
washed away,  
washed away.

2 Hear the sound of  
hearts returning to you,  
We turn to you.  
In your kingdom  
broken lives are made new,  
you make all things new.

*Chorus*

Paul Baloche (born 1962) and Brenton Brown

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### Prayer

#### Prayer for Others on Mother's Day

O God of grace and love, we thank you for all that you have given us through the loving care and hard work of our mothers. We pray for your richest blessing upon all mothers:

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for first time mothers and experienced mothers, for those who are mothers by surprise and those who have planned carefully for children;  
for women who long to conceive and cannot and for those who do not want the children they have;  
for those with difficult homes, whose children present constant challenges and perennial problems and whose husbands are not much help;  
for those who must raise their children alone and find that the father or fathers of their daughters and sons are distant, uninterested and uncaring;  
for those who are ready to scream because their own mothers and their in-laws are constantly giving unsolicited advice;  
for those who are at the end of their rope with stress over money or do without what they need so their children may have a meal;  
for those who are examples of faith, hope, and love to their children and other parents;  
for those whose marriages are strong and whose husbands care deeply for their children, sharing fully in responsibilities;  
for those with plentiful resources, whose children have never known want, and who use their funds and talents to help others;  
for those who teach the faith by word and deed to their children, making Christ real to their families.  
For each one according to her need, hear our prayer, and draw all mothers closer to you today. All these things we ask in the name of Jesus, who in even in his agony on the cross cared for his mother's well-being. Amen.

### Song – For the beauty of the earth

For the beauty of the earth,  
For the beauty of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth  
Over and around us lies,  
Father, unto thee we raise  
This our sacrifice of praise.

3 For the joy of ear and eye,  
For the heart and mind's delight,  
For the mystic harmony  
Linking sense to sound and sight,  
Father, unto thee we raise  
This our sacrifice of praise.

5 For each perfect gift of thine  
To our race so freely given,  
Graces human and divine,  
Flowers of earth and buds of Heaven,  
Father, unto thee we raise  
This our sacrifice of praise.

2 For the beauty of each hour  
Of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale and tree and flower,  
Sun and moon and stars of light,  
Father, unto thee we raise  
This our sacrifice of praise.

4 For the joy of human love,  
Brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth, and friends above,  
For all gentle thoughts and mild,  
Father, unto thee we raise  
This our sacrifice of praise.

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### A Note about Offerings

This is the point in our meeting when we'd usually take up the offering. Some of you might be wondering what to do about your cartridges. If you're able to you could put your offering in a cartridge envelope each week and then simply hand them all in when we're back together. Or this might be the time to think about giving by standing order. If you want to do that, send me a message and I'll send you the form with your details on it.

### Bible Reading: 2 Chronicles 20:1-19 (NLT)

### Bible Message: Don't Worry – Remember What God Has Done

#### A Bewildering Week!

When we take in everything that's happened this week, worry is our natural response. But God loves each one of us. And he doesn't want us to worry. He wants us to remember who he is and what he has done.

#### Remembering God in the Battle

In our Bible reading this morning, King Jehoshaphat and God's people find themselves in a grave difficulty. So what does King Jehoshaphat do? He turned to God in prayer:

##### ***2 Chronicles 20:6 NLT***

*He prayed, "O LORD, God of our ancestors, you alone are the God who is in heaven. You are ruler of all the kingdoms of the earth. You are powerful and mighty; no one can stand against you!"*

The example that King Jehoshaphat shows us is to stop and pray and to remember who God is. He remembers something else too:

##### ***2 Chronicles 20:7 NLT***

*O our God, did you not drive out those who lived in this land when your people Israel arrived? And did you not give this land forever to the descendants of your friend Abraham?*

As the King remembers who God is, he also recalls what he has done.

#### Don't Worry - Pray!

What is it that you're worried about? The Bible suggests that instead of worrying, we should pray:

##### ***Philippians 4:6-7 NLT***

*Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.*

When we spend time praying, remembering who God is and what he's done, then his Holy Spirit will witness that God is greater than anything we face. He's handled our problems before and he can handle anything we face just now.



### Song – Blessing and honour, glory and power

Blessing and honour, glory and power  
Be unto the Ancient of Days;  
From every nation, all of creation  
Bow before the Ancient of Days.

*Every tongue in Heaven and earth  
Shall declare your glory,  
Every knee shall bow at your throne in  
worship;  
You will be exalted, O God,  
And your Kingdom shall not pass away,  
O Ancient of Days.*

Your Kingdom shall reign over all the earth:  
Sing unto the Ancient of Days.  
For none shall compare to your matchless  
worth:  
Sing unto the Ancient of Days.

*Jamie Harvill and Gary Sadler*

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### Benediction

Let nothing disturb thee,  
Nothing affright thee;  
All things are passing,  
God never changeth!  
Patient endurance attaineth to all things;  
Who God possesseth in nothing is wanting;  
Alone God sufficeth.

*Teresa of Avila (1515-1582), trs Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807-1882)*

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