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#### **Sunday 10 May 2020**

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#### Song - O God of burning, cleansing flame

O God of burning, cleansing flame: 2 God of Elijah, hear our cry:

Send the fire! Send the fire!

Your blood-bought gift today we claim: And make us fit to live or die:

Send the fire today! Send the fire today!

Look down and see this waiting host,
And send the promised Holy Ghost;
To burn up every trace of sin,
To bring the light and glory in,
The revolution now begin!

Send the fire today! Send the fire today! Send the fire today! Send the fire today!

3 It's fire we want, for fire we plead: 4 To make our weak hearts strong and brave:

Send the fire! Send the fire!

The fire will meet our every need: To live, a dying world to save:

Send the fire today! Send the fire today!

For strength to always do what's right,

For grace to conquer in the fight,

For power to walk the world in white:

Oh, see us on Your altar lay,

We give our lives to you today,

So crown the offering now we pray:

Send the fire today!

William Booth (1829-1912) Adpt. Lex Loizides

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#### A Prayer for Others

In a world where there is warfare and violence, many people live in fear of the bullet and the bomb; many have had their lives and livelihoods destroyed; many grieve for loved ones who have been killed. May they know your strength and peace, loving God. In a world where harvests have failed; where there have been droughts and floods; many do not have money to pay for food and power; many are reaching the end of their tether. May they know your strength and peace, loving God. In a world where many people are alone; many do not know where to look for comfort and encouragement; many see no purpose or future; some cannot see the point of anything. May they know your strength and peace, loving God. In our lives when we struggle and doubt; when we don't know what to say or do; when life overwhelms us, and we turn to you. May we know your strength and peace, loving God: be for us a rock and a stronghold. In the name of the living Lord Jesus, our Saviour and companion. Amen.

#### Song – O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love, O Love, O Love that will not let me go, O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe,

O Joy, O Joy, O Joy that seeks me through the pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain,

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That in Thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

And feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.

O Love, O Love, O Love that will not let me go, O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, And in Thy ocean depths its flow Shall richer, fuller be, that morn shall tearless be. O Love, O Love, O Love, that will not let me go.

George Matheson (1842-1906)/Elaine Hagenberg Copyright © 2016 by Beckenhorst Press, Inc. All Rights Reserved

#### Bible Reading: John 14:1-14 (New Living Translation)

14 "Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. <sup>2</sup>There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to where I am going."

<sup>5</sup> "No, we don't know, Lord," Thomas said. "We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

<sup>6</sup>Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you had really known me, you would know who my Father is. From now on, you do know him and have seen him!"

<sup>8</sup>Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied."

<sup>9</sup> Jesus replied, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and yet you still don't know who I am? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking me to show him to you? <sup>10</sup> Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I speak are not my own, but my Father who lives in me does his work through me. <sup>11</sup> Just believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me. Or at least believe because of the work you have seen me do.

<sup>12</sup>"I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father. <sup>13</sup>You can ask for anything in my name, and I will do it, so that the Son can bring glory to the Father. <sup>14</sup>Yes, ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it!

#### Song - What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought

What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought,

Since Jesus came into my heart.

I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,

Since Jesus came into my heart.

2 I have ceased from my wandering and going astray,

Since Jesus came into my heart.

And my sins which were many are all washed away.

Since Jesus came into my heart.

4 I shall go there to dwell in that city I know, Since Jesus came into my heart. I am happy, so happy, as onward I go, Since Jesus came into my heart. Since Jesus came into my heart, Since Jesus came into my heart, Floods of joy o'er my soul Like the sea billows roll, Since Jesus came into my heart.

3 I'm possessed of a hope that is steadfast and sure.

Since Jesus came into my heart.

And no dark clouds of doubt now my pathway

obscure,

Since Jesus came into my heart.

Rufus Henry McDaniel (1850-1940)

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#### Song - In my wrestling and in my doubts

In my wrestling and in my doubts, in my failures you won't walk out. You great love will lead me through, you are the peace in my troubled sea, you are the peace in my troubled sea.

My lighthouse, my lighthouse shining in the darkness, I will follow you. My lighthouse, my lighthouse I will trust the promise, you will carry me safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to

shore.

2 In the silence you won't let go; in the questions your truth will hold. You great love will lead me through, you are the peace in my troubled sea, you are the peace in my troubled sea.

3 I won't fear what tomorrow brings, with each morning I'll rise and sing. My God's love will lead me through, you are the peace in my troubled sea, you are the peace in my troubled sea.

Fire before us, you're the brightest, you will lead us through the storms.

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#### **Bible Message: Eat Your Heart Out!**

#### Breakfast: the most important meal for a healthy heart

Research shows that mum's adage that "breakfast is the most important meal of the day" has more than a grain of truth in it. Breakfast really is the most important meal of the day, at least when it comes to the health of your heart. Over 20 years, doctors tracked the breakfast habits and health data of some 2100 individuals. Those who grew up in homes where breakfast was skipped and carried that on into later life showed significantly higher levels of heart wrenching health statistics. Their hearts were sick. And so now, many doctors who have studied the report recommend waking up and eating some kind, in fact almost any kind, of breakfast as an essential step in avoiding serious heart trouble.

#### Jesus wants us to have untroubled hearts

Jesus was concerned about our heart health too. In our passage this morning, Jesus was speaking to his disciples at the last supper they had together. Their world must've been crashing around them. Their hopes must've been dashed. But Jesus says to them:

#### John 14:1 NLT

"Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me.

Jesus was calling them to a deeper level of trust that corresponded with the crisis they were about to find themselves in.

#### Untroubled through trust

The way to a healthy heart is to believe in God and to believe in Jesus. Jesus' words bring us the promised hope of heaven, and have a peaceful eternity with the Father and the Son. But that is not all Jesus promises in these verses. Jesus goes on to explain his going away and coming again by saying:

John 14:6 NLT

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Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

Notice that "the way" isn't just Jesus' teachings or his principles or moral values. "The way" is Jesus the person. "The way" is a relationship.

#### What are you feeding your heart?

In this time of crisis, does it feel as if your heart is troubled? If it does, then are you feasting on Christ? If you are not consuming him it's likely the anxieties of life will overcome you. If you are starving for a sense of direction or craving some lasting peace, that can only come from standing on Jesus' promises. If you find your heart is troubled now, then ask yourself how much time are you spending in God's Word? I ask this not to make you feel guilty. Not to make you feel as if you're a bad person or a bad Christian. I ask you because I know that God's Word holds the peace and the comfort that you crave.

All you must do for a healthy heart is to invite the Holy Spirit in. It's what we all need today. So will join with me and the poet who wrote the simple chorus:

#### Chorus - Into My Heart

1 Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart, Lord Jesus. Come in today, come in to stay; come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

Harry D. Clarke (1888-1957)
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2 Rule in my heart, rule in my heart, O King of my heart, Lord Jesus. Make this your throne, rule there alone; O King of my heart, Lord Jesus.

#### Song - Who is it tells me what to do

WHO is it tells me what to do
And helps me to obey?
Who is it plans the route for me
And will not let me stray?
Who is it tells me when to speak
And what I ought to say?
That's the Spirit! Holy Spirit!
That's the Spirit of the Lord in me!

That's the Spirit! Holy Spirit! That's the Spirit of the Lord in me! That's the Spirit! Holy Spirit! That's the Spirit of the Lord in me!

2 Who is it gives me heavy loads And helps me take the strain? Who is it calls to sacrifice And helps me bear the pain? Who is it sees me when I fall And lifts me up again? That's the Spirit! Holy Spirit! That's the Spirit of the Lord in me! 3 Who is it shows me what to be And leads me to that goal? Who is it claims the heart of me And wants to take control? Who is it calls to holiness Of body, mind and soul? That's the Spirit! Holy Spirit! That's the Spirit of the Lord in me!

John Gowans (1934-2012)
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