



BASINGSTOKE SALVATION ARMY

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All of creation is longing
for your unveiling of power.
Would you release your anointing,
O God, let this be the hour.

2 Ruler of the nations,
the world has yet to see
the full release of your promise,
the church in victory.
Turn to us, Lord, and touch us,
make us strong in your might.
Overcome our weakness,
that we could stand up and fight.

Men Let your kingdom come.
Women Let your kingdom come.
Men Let your will be done.
Women Let your will be done.
Men Let us see on earth,
Women let us see on earth
All the glory of your Son.

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Song – He is the Lord and he reigns on high

He is the Lord, and he reigns on high:
He is the Lord.
Spoke into the darkness, created the light:
He is the Lord.
Who is like unto him, never ending in days?
He is the Lord.
And he comes in power when we call on his name:
He is the Lord.

*Show your power, O Lord our God.
Show your power, O Lord our God,
Our God.*

2 Your gospel, O Lord, is the hope for our nation:
You are the Lord.
It's the power of God for our salvation:
You are the Lord.
We ask not for riches, but look to the cross:
You are the Lord.
And for our inheritance give us the lost:
You are the Lord.

*Send your power, O Lord our God.
Send your power, O Lord our God,
Our God.*

Kevin Prosch
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Benediction: Pentecost Benediction

As you enter a new week, may you experience God's presence. May you feel God pouring out the Holy Spirit over your heads and your thoughts and the words of your lips, over your hearts and your feelings and emotions and your compassion for all others, and over your hands and your feet as you put into action all that God commands you. During this week, may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with each of you; Amen.



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Sunday 31 May 2020 – Pentecost

Raising the Curtain on Your Second Act

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Song – O God of burning, cleansing flame

O God of burning, cleansing flame:
Send the fire!
Your blood-bought gift today we claim:
Send the fire today!
Look down and see this waiting host,
And send the promised Holy Ghost;
We need another Pentecost!
Send the fire today!
Send the fire today!

2 God of Elijah, hear our cry:
Send the fire!
And make us fit to live or die:
Send the fire today!
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!

3 It's fire we want, for fire we plead:
Send the fire!
The fire will meet our every need:
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:
Send the fire today!
Send the fire today!

4 To make our weak hearts strong and brave:
Send the fire!
To live, a dying world to save:
Send the fire today!
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!
Send the fire today!
Send the fire today!

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Opening Prayer for Pentecost

Spirit... energy of the dance... promise in the water... rush in the wind... rhythm in the word... poetry of the faith... silence in the horror... patience in the waiting... question in the wonder... curve on the horizon... brightness in the sun... speed in the light... life in the resurrection... Come Spirit... be it all... and bring us into renewal once more... **Amen.**

Song – God of grace and God of glory

God of grace and God of glory,
On thy people pour thy power:
Now fulfil thy Church's story,
Bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour.

2 Lo, the hosts of evil round us
Scorn thy Christ, assail his ways;
From the fears that long have bound us
Free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the living of these days.



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3 Cure thy children's warring madness,
Bend our pride to thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
Rich in goods and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Lest we miss thy Kingdom's goal.

4 Set our feet on lofty places,
Gird our lives that they may be
Armoured with all Christlike graces
In the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
That we fail not man nor thee.

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Bible Reading: John 20:19-23 (New Living Translation)

¹⁹That Sunday evening the disciples were meeting behind locked doors because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Suddenly, Jesus was standing there among them! "Peace be with you," he said. ²⁰As he spoke, he showed them the wounds in his hands and his side. They were filled with joy when they saw the Lord! ²¹Again he said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you." ²²Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive anyone's sins, they are forgiven. If you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Song – Nothing's too big, big, big for his power

*Nothing's too big, big, big for his power
Nothing's too little, little for his care
Nothing's too big, big, big for his power
Nothing's too idly, widdly for his care
Nothing's too big, big, big for his power
Nothing's too incy-wincy for his care
Nothing's too big, big, big for his power
Nothing's too teeny-weeny for his care*

He is God of the big, God of the little
God of the stuff somewhere in the middle
The King of moving mountains
Love's you more than you will ever know

Nothing's too big, nothing's too small
Nothing's too much, he cares for it all

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Song – Nothing's too big, big, big for his power

O boundless salvation! deep ocean of love,
O fullness of mercy, Christ brought from above,
The whole world redeeming, so rich and so free,
Now flowing for all men, come, roll over me!

O ocean of mercy, oft longing I've stood
On the brink of thy wonderful, life-giving flood!
Once more I have reached this soul-cleansing sea,
I will not go back till it rolls over me.

6 The tide is now flowing, I'm touching the wave,
I hear the loud call of the mighty to save;
My faith's growing bolder, delivered I'll be;
I plunge 'neath the waters, they roll over me.

7 And now, hallelujah! the rest of my days
Shall gladly be spent in promoting his praise
Who opened his bosom to pour out this sea
Of boundless salvation for you and for me.

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Bible Message: Raising the Curtain on Your Second Act

Can your life have a Second Act?

Could your life be divided into two acts? Do you know anyone who has had a second career in their life? The great novelist F. Scott Fitzgerald once wrote: "There are no second acts in [our] lives". But that simply isn't

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true. I am testament that life can have a Second Act, though I'd like to make it clear I don't define it as a mid-life crisis!

Do you ever wish you could start again?

Do you ever wish you could have a Second Act? The exciting thing is, that as a Christian, each of us is given the opportunity for a Second Act in our lives.

Jesus brings peace to your fear

Of course, you may not feel much like starting a Second Act in your life at the moment. Perhaps you are living in fear, just as Jesus' disciples were:

John 20:19 NLT

That Sunday evening the disciples were meeting behind locked doors because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Suddenly, Jesus was standing there among them! "Peace be with you," he said.

Shalom. Peace of mind and heart. Is that what you need this morning?

You are Commissioned to the Second Act

But no sooner has Shalom been offered than Jesus commissions his followers to their Second Act, to their mission:

John 20:21 NLT

Again he said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you."

Jesus' mission didn't end as he ascended into heaven. We have been deputised into his place.

The Holy Spirit provides the power for the commission Jesus gives

Do you feel up to the job? I suspect not!

John 20:23 NLT

If you forgive anyone's sins, they are forgiven. If you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

How do you feel about that? Jesus is telling us that God is going to forgive sins - through us, through you and me. And so we simply can't do that in our own power. And so:

John 20:22 NLT

Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

The power to fulfil Jesus' commission to the church to redeem the world comes through the Holy Spirit. You and I can receive the power of the Holy Spirit. Not so that we can have a wonderful spiritual experience, although that's often how it feels. Not so that we can become some kind of holy social club - though the Holy Spirit does give us rich fellowship together, and gives us plenty of opportunity to become the person God created us to be. We receive the power of the Holy Spirit so that we can what Jesus does in the world: Our second act is to implement what Jesus accomplished. Jesus is calling you to your Second Act. Will you respond?

Song – Father of Creation

1 Father of creation,
unfold your sovereign plan.
Raise up a chosen generation
that will march through the land.

*Let your glory fall in this room,
let it go forth from here to the nations.
Let your fragrance rest in this place,
as we gather to seek your face.*

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