

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

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*I love the house where you live, O LORD, the place where your glory dwells. Ps. 26:8*

1. I love thy king - dom, Lord, the house of thine a - bode,  
 2. I love thy church, O God: her walls be - fore thee stand,  
 3. For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers as - cend;  
 4. Be - yond my high - est joy I prize her heav'n - ly ways,

the church our blest Re - deem - er saved with his own pre - cious blood.  
 dear as the ap - ple of thine eye, and grav - en on thy hand.  
 to her my cares and toils be giv'n, till toils and cares shall end.  
 her sweet com - mu - nion, sol - emn vows, her hymns of love and praise.

5. Jesus, thou Friend divine,  
 our Savior and our King,  
 thy hand from ev'ry snare and foe  
 shall great deliv'rance bring.

6. Sure as thy truth shall last,  
 to Zion shall be giv'n  
 the brightest glories earth can yield,  
 and brighter bliss of heav'n.

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul"

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\*INVOCATION

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Larger Catechism, Q. 124

**Pastor:** *Who are meant by father and mother in the fifth commandment?*

People: By *father* and *mother*, in the fifth commandment, are meant, not only natural parents, but all superiors in age and gifts; and especially such as, by God's ordinance, are over us in place of authority, whether in family, church, or commonwealth.

Westminster Larger Catechism, Q. 130

**Pastor:** *What are the sins of superiors?*

People: The sins of superiors are, besides the neglect of the duties required of them, an inordinate seeking of themselves, their own glory, ease, profit, or pleasure; commanding things unlawful, or not in the power of inferiors to perform; counseling, encouraging, or favoring them in that which is evil; dissuading, discouraging, or discountenancing them in that which is good; correcting them unduly; careless exposing, or leaving them to wrong, temptation, and danger; provoking them to wrath; or any way dishonoring themselves, or lessening their authority, by an unjust, indiscreet, rigorous, or remiss behavior.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 2:12-17

Now the sons of Eli were worthless men. They did not know the Lord. The custom of the priests with the people was that when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant would come, while the meat was boiling, with a three-pronged fork in his hand, and he would thrust it into the pan or kettle or cauldron or pot. All that the fork brought up the priest would take for himself. This is what they did at Shiloh to all the Israelites who came there. Moreover, before the fat was burned, the priest's servant would come and say to the man who was sacrificing, "Give meat for the priest to roast, for he will not accept boiled meat from you but only raw." And if the man said to him, "Let them burn the fat first, and then take as much as you wish," he would say, "No, you must give it now, and if not, I will take it by force." Thus the sin of the young men was very great in the sight of the Lord, for the men treated the offering of the Lord with contempt.

PRAYER

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\*PSALM OF PRAISE

Psalms for Worship, 126B

SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 2:22-32

SERMON

"Sins of Superiors"

Rev. Marc Harrington

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

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\*BENEDICTION

## Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. Ps. 146:1, 2

1. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je - ho - vah praise;  
 2. Hap - py is the man that choos - es Is - rael's God to be his aid;  
 3. Food he dai - ly gives the hun - gry, sets the mourn - ing pris - ner free,  
 4. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je - ho - vah praise;

I will sing the glo - rious prais - es of my God through all my days.  
 he is blessed whose hope of bless - ing on the Lord his God is stayed.  
 rais - es those bowed down with an - guish, makes the sight - less eye to see.  
 I will sing the glo - rious prais - es of my God through all my days.

Put no con - fi - dence in princ - es, nor for help on man de - pend;  
 Heav'n and earth the Lord cre - at - ed, seas and all that they con - tain;  
 Well Je - ho - vah loves the righ - teous, and the strang - er he be - friends,  
 O - ver all God reigns for - ev - er, through all a - ges he is King;

he shall die, to dust re - turn - ing, and his pur - pos - es shall end.  
 he de - liv - ers from op - pres - sion, righ - teous - ness he will main - tain.  
 helps the fa - ther - less and wid - ow, judg - ment on the wick - ed sends.  
 un - to him, your God, O Zi - on, joy - ful hal - le - lu - jahs sing.

## When Zion's Captive Ones Returned

Psalm 126

He who supplies seed to the sower... will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest. —2 Corinthians 9:10

1. <sup>1</sup> When Zi - on's cap - tive ones Had, by the  
 2. In Gen - tile lands they said, "Great things the  
 3. <sup>5</sup> Those who now sow in tears Will reap at

LORD, re - turned— How like a dream!  
 LORD has done, Great things for them!"  
 har - vest time, And shout for joy.

<sup>2</sup> Our mouth was filled with joy, With laugh - ter and de - light;  
<sup>3</sup> How the LORD made us glad! Great things He's done for us!  
<sup>6</sup> That one who sows with tears Bear - ing his bag of seed,

Our tongue then o - ver - flowed With shouts of joy.  
<sup>4</sup> Bring back our ex - iles, LORD, Like des - ert streams.  
 Will come with shouts of joy, Bring - ing his sheaves.