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As people of faith there are many things we believe through our faith, one is having a relationship with God. He knows who we are yet do we know Him? How can we do this, well one way is worshipping God.

The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all

**And also with you**

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**The Church's One Foundation**

Youtube- The Church's One Foundation (Dan Forrest) - Premiere at Duke Chapel  
•21 Mar 2017



[Dan Forrest](#)

1 The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the Word: from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

2 Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation  
 one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy  
 food, and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed, by schisms rent  
 asunder, by heresies distressed, yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry  
 goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

4 Yet she on earth hath union with the God the Three in One, and mystic sweet  
 communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us  
 grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee

### A Minute's Silence



### Prayer/ Lord's prayer

Lord as we sit in silence, we reflect on those who have come into our thoughts, the situations which we can only assume and the pains which we can pray about...As the peace candle light flickers, we pray that your light shall shine in the lives and hearts of those who are living in darkness, and need your endless love. We pray and give thanks to your Holy name rejoicing and praising you for we can turn to you anytime and you are there. Speaking with you, can calm a storm which surrounds us, and through the words of the Bible draw us closer to you. We praise and adore you, for all that you do, within the world and our lives. As we worship you, we are well aware there are times we do not thank you, or recognise that you have been at work...forgive our lack of acknowledgment and interest at times...You are Almighty, and wonderful. You created a world, filled

it with wonders upon wonders...sights which are ever lasting, ones which no earthly person could ever have created. You help us to design, build and furnish homes, yet you made the world a home...one so large yet we can say, isnt it such a small place...one where we all can live within it , as friends, neighbours. You draw each person together, your love is at the heart of each being and in you we are brothers and sisters, one in you...Lord help us to see more clearly what we do not see, hear the sounds we are deaf too, help us to be more visionary and aware of your guidance and thoughts...Words can be mere thoughts, when it comes to the Holy Spirit they make simply sentences come a live...may Your prayer, fill our hearts with joy, where we can feed on each word as we say together

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

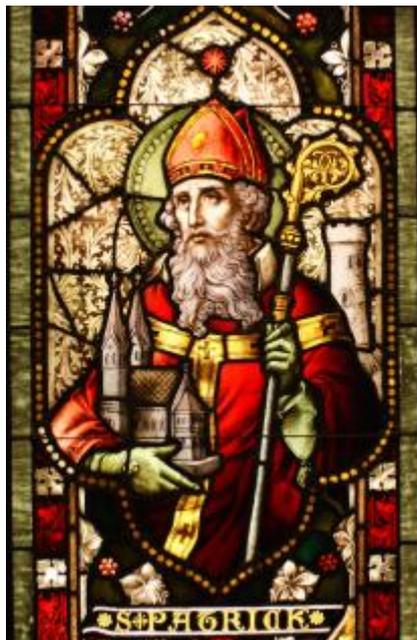
### **Genesis 22:1-19**

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on the altar, on top of the wood. <sup>10</sup> Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. <sup>11</sup> But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. <sup>12</sup> "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son." <sup>13</sup> Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram<sup>[a]</sup> caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup> So Abraham called that place The LORD Will Provide. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided." <sup>15</sup> The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time <sup>16</sup> and said, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, <sup>17</sup> I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, <sup>18</sup> and through your offspring<sup>[b]</sup> all nations on earth will be blessed,<sup>[c]</sup> because you have obeyed me." <sup>19</sup> Then Abraham returned to his servants, and they set off together for Beersheba. And Abraham stayed in Beersheba. Amen

**St. Patrick's Creed (from 'The Confession of St. Patrick')**



There is no other God, and there never was another, nor will there be any after him except God the Father, without beginning. From him is all beginning. He upholds all things. And his Son Jesus Christ whom together with the Father we testify to have always existed. Before the beginning of the world he was spiritually present with the Father. Begotten in an indescribable manner before all beginning. By him all things visible and invisible were made. He was made man, and having overcome death was received into heaven to the Father: And the Father has bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord and God. In him we believe, and we await his coming who before long shall judge the quick and dead. He will render to everyone according to his deeds, and has poured out abundantly on us the gift of the Holy Spirit, even the pledge of immortality, who makes those that believe and obey to be the sons of God the Father and joint-heirs with Christ. Him we confess and adore — one God in the Trinity of the sacred name.

### 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Youtube- "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)" by the First Baptist Dallas Choir & Orchestra • 1 Jun 2016

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[First Baptist Dallas](#)

Chorus - Bless the Lord oh my soul , Oh my soul  
Worship His Holy name , Sing like never before  
Oh my soul, I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up, It's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again, Whatever may pass  
And whatever lies before me, Let me be singing  
When the evening comes

Chorus

You're rich in love, And You're slow to anger  
Your name is great, And Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing  
 Ten thousand reasons, For my heart to find

Chorus

And on that day, When my strength is failing  
 The end draws near, And my time has come  
 Still my soul will, Sing Your praise unending  
 Ten thousand years, And then forevermore

Chorus x2

Bless the Lord oh my soul, Oh my soul  
 Worship His Holy name, Sing like never before  
 Oh my soul. I'll worship Your Holy name  
 Yes I'll worship Your Holy name, I'll worship Your Holy name

Sing like never before, Oh my soul  
 I'll worship Your Holy name Jesus I will worship Your Holy name  
 Worship Your Holy name

Songwriters: Jonas Myrin / Matt Redman



### Reflection

I can remember roughly the first time I heard this passage about Abraham and how he was asked to sacrifice his long a waited son Isaac. As I sat on the edge

of my seat listening to this story as an 8-year-old. The local minister speaking at the school assembly. This was a man I respected and liked very much and today I wear his robes...when he spoke, I would listen to every word, for he had a wonderful knack of bringing a story alive to the listener.... I may add , I don't remember the message we were given, what I do remember is listening in total disbelief, surely not, this could not have happened, God would not request such a command to be followed....How could a father give up a son like a sacrificial goat...and how could our heavenly father expect His faithful follower to do such a thing.....? Back then, I hadn't realised as I do today, it was nothing more than what God was going to do with his own son Jesus...For Christ in his crucifixion empowered the promises to Abraham to extend to all the families of the earth and guaranteed that all who believe in him will participate in the final resurrection.

For those of us who have children we know what it is to love and we can imagine how precious Isaac was to Abraham and Sarah. Isaac a fulfilment of God's personal promise to his parents who were not in their first flush of youth..., a promise God had made to Abraham, a son, the firstborn, a specific fulfilment at the outset of his journey with God. Abraham and Sarah longed for a child and when Isaac arrived, they loved him dearly. Like so many people who have waited for a child, possibly been told that they could never have one, only for a miracle to happen and a child is born to them. What a wonderful beautiful gift a mother said to me, telling me about how she could not have a child, and then being given a small gift of a son. Robert, on a visit to discuss a baptism, she said, as my wee boy lays in his cradle, I sit and watch him, giving thanks to God. I had given up hope and reconciled I'd be only an aunt....and now after so many years I have a child, I am a mother.

The sacrifice of Isaac, Is one of the most dramatic and most theologically significant episodes in the book of Genesis. The cruel command to sacrifice this child, the pathos of the solitary, ascent by Abraham and his son to the place of sacrifice, the painful process of binding him and laying him on the alter and the last minute intervention from heaven makes this one of the best told stories in world literature. It is more than this, it's the last great test of Abrahams faith. For Abraham this was a real command from God, a real emotional one.

What is interesting, Abraham asks no questions. I wonder if we'd have done the same? I would have had to speak out and questioned this, saying, why? this is simply not fair, please not my son...begging to be let of this request. Instead, Abraham walked resolutely and without stumbling on his way to Mount Moriah, while we would probably hesitantly walk tripping again and again over the scandal of it all, the unfairness of this chapter, questioning all the time. Of - course we live in a different world to what this story is told. While God is unchanging, we are, we live in a world that keeps evolving. We just have to look at ourselves and the decades we've come through to see what has changed. Always fun to watch the tv programs about each decade, the 50's 60's 70's and so on... As I watched through the 80's not that long ago. We the viewer was taken on a trip of familiar hair and cloth styles , rather dated now, how our homes have changed from the 1970's, the political thoughts, the new foods which were introduced that are now the norm...when I look at old photographs of myself back in the 1980's , I use to think I was cool and dapper, now maybe not so.....someone visiting the manse saw a photo taken of me in the 80's, "is that really you," they said, " yes it is," as they laughed, you had hair... !! You can certainly go off folk, especially when they said, GOSH isn't that funny...Certainly in a short time our physical appearance can differ, so can our attitudes and thoughts about life...

I have been lucky to visit the Holy land and, on each visit, I have felt at home there... when I return home, i have commented on how my pilgrimage has brought the Bible alive for me. Walking along the cobbled streets in the walled part of Old Jerusalem, being pushed and shoved , as people go about their daily business, buying and selling , tourists clambering to get the best views of the city... as I've walked on the Via DeRosa, you cannot help but imagine what it could have been like for Jesus and his disciples...swimming in the sea of Galilee, looking at the hills and thinking Jesus saw what I can see now, and he walked at the water's edge as I am doing...you can feel a closeness to the biblical stories, yet the countryside and people around are not the same.... One Pilgrim wrote in their travel log after their visit, "walking where Jesus walked, drove home for me the vast gulf that yawns open between the biblical culture and our own." You know, I think, often the people of the biblical stories such as Abraham and Sarah. Mary and Joseph, Moses and so on become familiar inhabitants on the landscape of our imaginations that we come to think of them as being pretty much like someone we know. The truth being told we are different, from the

folk within our bible stories, it's as if we come from a different planet. This makes sense, for what we experience today is vastly different from what was experienced back in the biblical days...for they saw things differently to us now. While I believe this to be true, it does not stop the Bible being relevant to us today through the powers of the Holy Spirit.

Abraham faced an agonizing choice. Step by step, faith and hope triumphed over fear and doubt until the knife was raised to slay his son. In this way he showed he was willing to put God's call above every other commitment and emotional attachment, and at that moment the test was over. Abraham had passed with flying colours. A ram was sacrificed in place of Isaac, and the angel declared that Abraham's act of obedience changed the status of the promises. They became sworn guarantees of innumerable descendants. God for the last time spoke to Abraham saying, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, <sup>17</sup> I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, <sup>18</sup> and through your offspring<sup>[b]</sup> all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."

The place of the supposed human sacrifice was called "the Lord will provide", Human sacrifice is not part of God's will for his people even though it was known back in Abraham's day. The sacrifice of a child was intertwined with the worship of a pagan deity, often a fertility god. Worshipers sought to obtain a blessing from their god(s) Today, thankfully we see a world that does not follow this barbaric custom...

Over the years, I have grown to respect this passage, for it makes me think about my faith and how far I would go for God. We talk about God and the love he has for his children, and that he's a faithful heavenly father with endless love. Yet, how much do we love him, is our faith so strong would we lay down everything, could we sacrifice all that we own for him, or is there a limit to how far our faith shall go? As Christians its worth asking ourselves in the quiet time of the day, when we are praying, as we ask God for this or that. How about instead of wanting, we start to re-evaluate our faith and question ourselves looking at how important it is to have God in our lives. As we receive from God on a daily basis what is it that we give to him? I think it's something we should

ponder on...what do I give to God? Why not take some time asking God, how do I / how can I please you, what is it, I give you in return for all you give to me, what else can I do?

*In the name of the Father Son and Holy Spirit Amen*



**Right hand of Peace, let's give a loving wave to everyone.**

In a world where there are so many divisions, may love break down the barriers and draw each person closer to the stranger where we can freely say, Peace be with you, my dear friend. In Christ may people from all back grounds, cultures, languages, respect, share, and love in the name of Christ.

Can we all say together, to each other, here is MY RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP, my PEACE I give to YOU. In these times where we cannot give someone a handshake, there is nothing stopping us giving a wave, a smile, saying the words- **Peace be with you.**



### Intercession



*O God, we give you our praise and thanks for all that we have, for our faith, the spiritual relationship we are having with you and your endless love. Lord there are so many who are wandering in their own desert, lost and homeless, hungry*

and thirsty, they are near death...their spirit is dying, and with lack of strength needs your help Lord. As they cry out in their troubles, they wonder will they ever be heard...we pray for all who are living in refugee camps, crammed into a small spaces, living in danger of diseases, from being attacked physically and



mentally, and not seen as humans... we pray Lord lead them to safety where they can find a home, a place they will feel at peace, which they can say this is my beloved sanctuary. Lord there are many who sit in darkness in a deepest gloom, miserable prisoners in chains, life around them causing them harm and depression. For those who are in poisonous relationships who are captive and do not feel free to live their lives the way they so wish to do so. We pray for those whose ill health has captured them, where bodies are failing, sight is fading and hearing has become no more...we pray for people who have problems with their memories and are unable to live without care and medical help. We pray for the lonely, who sit each day having no one to talk too, waiting, waiting for the call to return home, for life has become unbearable and they wish it to end...we pray for all who are struggling who have lost their jobs, business's closing, not sure how or where the money will come to pay bills...people falling into debt and the worry causing a deep blackness to come over them. Lord in a world of turmoil where so many are suffering, people walking in their own wilderness while for some, there is milk and honey, for others it's a dry distant land, where they walk in a new and unknown place to them...In **silence** Lord we speak with you. O Lord our God saves. Gather us back from all the places which we have wandered into...help us all for we all need you...bring joy in the face of misery and hardship, for you are good, caring, for you gathered the exiles from many lands, from east and west, from north and south taking them into the promised land. May we all be able to rejoice and say blessed be our Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting let all people say Amen and turn to you, Almighty God, for help and guidance in Jesus name hear our prayers. Amen.



### Thine Be The Glory

Youtube-Songs of Praise - 1 Thine Be The Glory •10 Mar 2012



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Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
 endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won;  
 angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
 kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.

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 risen conquering Son,  
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Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
 Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;  
 let the Church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing;  
 for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

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No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;  
life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love:  
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

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In the power of the Holy Spirit we now go forth into the world, to fulfil our calling as the people of God, the body of Christ

May God the Father prepare your journey,  
Jesus the Son guide your footsteps,

The Spirit of Life strengthen your body,  
The Three in One watch over you,  
on every road that you may follow.

In the name of the Father Son and Holy Spirit be with you all

**Amen- Amen-Amen**

### **Joke time**

#### **Woman with Strong Faith**

An elderly lady was well-known for her faith and for her boldness in talking about it. She would stand on her front porch and shout "PRAISE THE LORD!"

Next door to her lived an atheist who would get so angry at her proclamations he would shout, "There ain't no Lord!!"

Hard times set in on the elderly lady, and she prayed for *GOD* to send her some assistance. She stood on her porch and shouted "PRAISE THE LORD. *GOD* I NEED FOOD!! I AM HAVING A HARD TIME. PLEASE LORD, SEND ME SOME GROCERIES!!"

The next morning the lady went out on her porch and noted a large bag of groceries and shouted, "PRAISE THE LORD."

The neighbor jumped from behind a bush and said, "Aha! I told you there was no Lord. I bought those groceries, *God* didn't."

The lady started jumping up and down and clapping her hands and said, "PRAISE THE LORD. He not only sent me groceries, but He made the devil pay for them. Praise the Lord!"

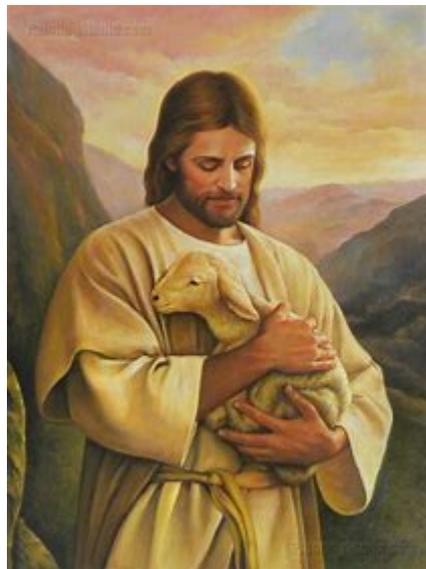
**Satan In the Church**

One bright, beautiful Sunday morning, everyone in tiny Gettysburg wakes up early and goes to their local church. Before the service starts, the townspeople sit in their pews and talk about their lives and their families.

Suddenly, at the altar, Satan appears!! Everyone starts screaming and running for the front entrance, trampling each other in their determined efforts to get away from Evil Incarnate. Soon, everyone is evacuated from the church except for one man, who sit calmly in his pew, seemingly oblivious to the fact that God's ultimate enemy is in his presence. This confuses Satan a bit. Satan walks up to the man and says, "Hey, don't you know who I am?" The man says, "Yep, sure do."

Satan says, "Well, aren't you afraid of me?" The man says, "Nope, sure ain't."

Satan, disturbed, says, "And why aren't you afraid of me?" The man says, "Well, I've been married to your sister for 25 years."( I don't know where that one came from- being a Christian you'll forgive me- I hope )



*"Lord Jesus Help me.  
In every need let me come to you  
with humble faith saying,  
Jesus help me.*

*In all my doubts,  
questions and temptations,  
Jesus help me.*

*In hours of loneliness,  
fear and trials,  
Jesus help me.*

*Almighty Lord,  
before you, I come with all my faith,  
begging you for comfort in my hardships.  
Do not forsake me, my Lord.  
Open your doors,  
that your almighty arms will open and close  
as you design to give that calm that I so desire.*



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**There is a green hill far away**

1. There is a green hill far away, without a city wall,  
Where the dear Lord was crucified, who died to save us all.
2. We may not know, we cannot tell, what pains he had to bear,  
But we believe it was for us, He hung and suffered there.
3. He died that we might be forgiven, he died to make us good,  
that we might go at last to heaven, saved by his precious blood.
4. There was no other good enough to pay the price of sin.  
He only could unlock the gate, Of heav'n and let us in.
5. Oh, dearly, dearly has he loved! And we must love him too,  
And trust in his redeeming blood,  
And try his works to do.



**The Peace Candle**

### **Prayer/ Lord's prayer**

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### Lord of the dance

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
 And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
 And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth:  
 At Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,  
 I am the Lord of the dance, said he,  
 And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
 And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,  
 But they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me;

I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;  
They came with me and the dance went on:

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:  
The holy people said it was a shame.  
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,  
And they left me there on a cross to die:

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;  
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.  
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone;  
But I am the dance, and I still go on:

They cut me down and I leapt up high;  
I am the life that'll never, never die.  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me:  
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Benediction