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ACTS

CHAPTER 4

BOLDNESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL



O PRAISE THE NAME

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

Chorus

*O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God*

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death, where is your sting?
The angels roar for Christ the King

[Chorus]

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

[Chorus]x2

Oh Lord, oh Lord our God

YOU ALONE CAN RESCUE

Who, oh Lord, could save themselves,
Their own soul could heal?
Our shame was deeper than the sea
Your grace is deeper still

(repeat)

You alone can rescue, You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us, led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise

You, oh Lord, have made a way
The great divide You heal
For when our hearts were far away
Your love went further still
Yes, your love goes further still

You alone can rescue, You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us, led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise

(Repeat x1)

To You alone belongs the highest praise (x3)

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed Be Your Name,
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed Be Your name,
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed Be Your name

Chorus

Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord
Still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name,
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's 'all as it should be'
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

[Chorus]

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord, blessed be Your name

[Chorus]

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy
name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

Give us day by day our daily bread.

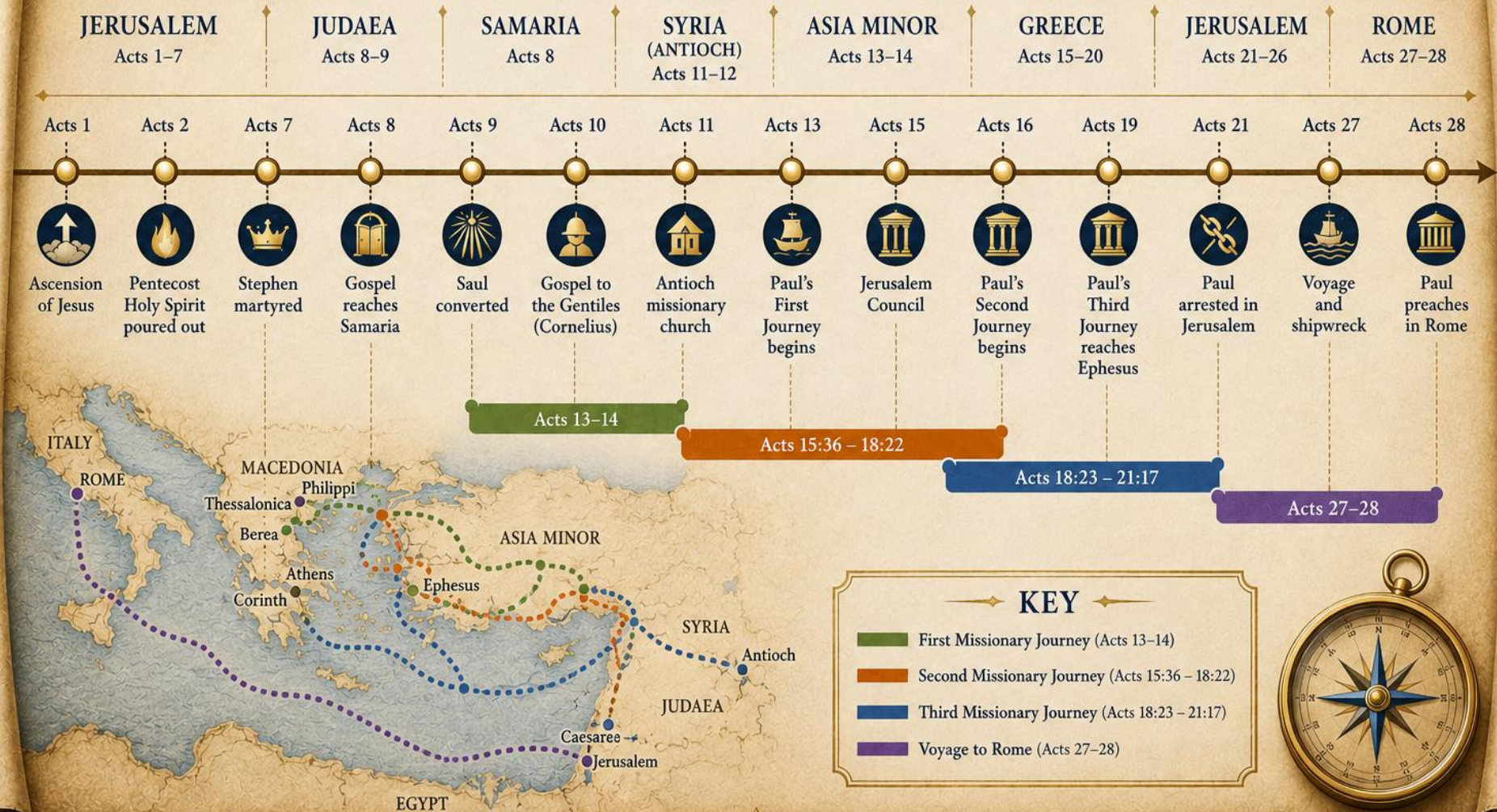
And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every
one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into
temptation; but deliver us from evil.

Luke 11: 2-4

THE BOOK OF ACTS

THE GOSPEL GOES TO THE WORLD

"Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8



THE BOOK AT A GLANCE

A CHAPTER SUMMARY OF THE BOOK OF ACTS



ACTS 1–7 JERUSALEM

- 1 Jesus ascends; Matthias is chosen.
- 2 The Holy Spirit is poured out.
- 3 Peter heals a lame man.
- 4 Peter and John witness boldly.
- 5 God's holiness is shown.
- 6 Seven servants are appointed.
- 7 Stephen becomes the first martyr.



ACTS 8–12 JUDEA & SAMARIA

- 8 The gospel reaches Samaria.
- 9 Saul is converted.
- 10 Cornelius, a Gentile, receives the gospel.
- 11 The church in Antioch is established.
- 12 Peter is miraculously delivered from prison.



ACTS 13–28 TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

- 13 Paul and Barnabas begin first journey.
- 14 Churches are established in Asia Minor.
- 15 Jerusalem Council confirms Gentiles.
- 16 Paul reaches Europe (Macedonia).
- 17 Paul in Thessalonica, Berea, Athens.
- 18 Paul in Corinth.
- 19 Ephesus: great impact.
- 20 Paul's farewell to the elders.
- 21 Paul returns to Jerusalem; arrested.
- 22 Paul defends before crowds.
- 23 Plot against Paul is discovered.
- 24 Paul before Felix.
- 25 Paul before Festus.
- 26 Paul before King Agrippa.
- 27 Shipwreck on the way to Rome.
- 28 Paul arrives in Rome; preaches freely.



“YE SHALL BE WITNESSES UNTO ME
BOTH IN JERUSALEM, AND IN ALL JUDAEA,
AND IN SAMARIA, AND UNTO THE
UTTERMOST PART OF THE EARTH.”

ACTS 1:8

THE BOOK OF ACTS – THE WORLD STAGE

THE GOSPEL SPREADS FROM JERUSALEM TO ROME

JERUSALEM
Acts 1–7

JUDAEA & SAMARIA
Acts 8–12

ASIA MINOR
Acts 13–14

GREECE
Acts 15–20

JERUSALEM
Acts 21–26

ROME
Acts 27–28



"Follow me,
and I will make you
fishers of men."

Matthew 4:19

THE LIFE OF PETER

EVERYTHING PETER DID AND SAID IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

From a fisherman to a leader — a story of faith, failure, restoration, and courage.

"Thou art Peter, and
upon this rock I will build
my church."

Matthew 16:18

SAME GRACE.
BIGGER PURPOSE.
A GREATER STORY.

1 CALLING AND EARLY DISCIPLESHIP

- 1 Introduced to Jesus (Jn 1:40–42)
 - Andrew brings Simon to Jesus.
 - Jesus renames him Cephas (Peter).
- 2 Miraculous catch and called (Lk 5:1–11; Mt 4:18–20; Mk 1:16–18)
 - Leaves nets and follows Jesus.
- 3 Mother-in-law healed (Mt 8:14–15; Mk 1:29–31; Lk 4:38–39)
 - Brings his mother-in-law to Jesus.
- 4 Named among the twelve (Mt 10:2; Mk 3:16; Lk 6:14)
 - Jesus appoints him an apostle (listed first).

5 DENIAL, DEATH AND RESURRECTION

- 22 Follows Jesus after arrest (Mt 26:58; Mk 14:54; Lk 22:54; Jn 18:15)
 - Follows at a distance.
- 23 Denies Jesus three times (Mt 26:69–75; Mk 14:66–72; Lk 22:54–62; Jn 18:15–18, 25–27)
 - "I know not what thou sayest." / "I know not the man."
- 24 At the empty tomb (Lk 24:12; Jn 20:2–10)
 - Runs to the tomb, enters, sees the linen clothes.
- 25 Jesus appears to Peter (Lk 24:34)
 - "The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon."
- 26 Repeats to fishing (Jn 21:1–14)
 - "I go a fishing." / Jumps into the sea to go to Jesus.

9 CORNELIUS AND THE GENTILES

- 44 Enters Cornelius' house (Acts 10:24–26)
 - "Stand up, I myself also am a man."
- 45 Preaches to Cornelius (Acts 10:27–48)
 - "God is no respecter of persons."
- 46 Defends Gentile inclusion (Acts 11:1–18)
 - "What was I, that I could withstand God?"
- 47 Imprisoned by Herod (Acts 12:1–19)
 - Miraculous release by an angel.

2 GALILEAN MINISTRY

- 5 Seeks Jesus after prayer (Mk 1:35–37)
 - He and others find Jesus.
 - "All men seek for thee."
- 6 Walks on water (Mt 14:22–33)
 - "Lord, if it be thou, bid me come."
 - Walks on water, then sinks.
- 7 Asks about a parable (Mt 15:15)
 - "Declare unto us this parable."
- 8 Confesses Jesus as the Christ (Mt 16:13–20; Mk 8:27–30; Lk 9:18–21)
 - "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."
- 9 Rebukes Jesus about His death (Mt 16:21–23; Mk 8:31–33)
 - "This shall not be unto thee."
- 10 Transfiguration (Mt 17:1–9; Mk 9:2–10; Lk 9:28–36)
 - "Lord, it is good for us to be here..."
- 11 Temple tax (Mt 17:24–27)
 - "Yes" (when asked if Jesus pays tribute).

6 RESTORATION

- 27 "Lovest thou me?" (Jn 21:15–19)
 - "Three times Jesus asks if Peter loves Him."
 - "Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee."
 - "Feed my sheep."
- 28 Asks about John's future (Jn 21:20–22)
 - "Lord, and what shall this man do?"
 - Jesus: "What is that to thee? follow thou me."

"Feed my sheep."
— John 21:17

From failure to faithfulness.
From denial to devotion.

10 JERUSALEM COUNCIL

- 48 Speaks at the council (Acts 15:5–11)
 - "My tempt ye God..."
 - Declares Gentiles are saved
 - the same as Jews.

GRACE FOR ALL
PEOPLE

11 IN PAUL'S LETTERS

- 49 Paul visits Peter (Gal 1:18)
- 50 Regarded as apostle to the circumcision (Gal 2:7–9)
- 51 Withdraws at Antioch (Gal 2:11–14)
- 52 Marriage and ministry (1 Cor 9:5)
 - Paul mentions Peter (Cephas) and a believing wife.

3 TEACHING AND QUESTIONS

- 12 Asks about forgiveness (Mt 18:21–22)
 - "Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me... till seven times?"
- 13 Asks what they will receive (Mt 19:27–30; Mk 10:28–31; Lk 18:28–30)
 - "Behold, we have forsaken all... what shall we have therefore?"
- 14 Notices the withered fig tree (Mk 11:20–21)
 - "Master, behold, the fig tree ... is withered away."
- 15 Asks about the end times (Mk 13:3–4)
 - "Tell us, when shall these things be?"
- 16 Asks who the parable is for (Lk 12:41)
 - "Lord, speakest thou this parable unto us, or even to all?"

7 LEADER IN THE EARLY CHURCH (ACTS)

- 29 Leads replacement of Judas (Acts 1:15–26)
- 30 Sermon at Pentecost (Acts 2:14–40)
- 31 Heals the lame man (Acts 3:1–10)
- 32 Sermon at Solomon's porch (Acts 3:11–26)
- 33 Arrested and testifies (Acts 4:1–22)
- 34 Refuses to stop preaching (Acts 4:18–20)
- 35 Miraculous deliverance (Acts 5:17–20)
- 36 Many healings (Acts 5:12–16)
- 37 Imprisoned again (Acts 5:17–42)

4 THE LAST WEEK

- 17 Objects to foot washing (Jn 13:6–10)
 - "Lord, dost thou wash my feet?"
 - "Thou shalt never wash my feet."
- 18 Asks John to find the betrayer (Jn 13:21–26)
 - Signals to John to ask who it is.
- 19 Declares he will never deny Jesus (Mt 26:33–35; Mk 14:29–31; Lk 22:31–34; Jn 13:36–38)
 - "Though all men ... yet will I never be offended."
- 20 Falls asleep in Gethsemane (Mt 26:36–46; Mk 14:32–42; Lk 22:39–46)
 - Repeatedly sleeps instead of watching.
- 21 Cuts off Malchus' ear (Jn 18:10–11)
 - Draws a sword and cuts off the servant's ear.

8 MISSION TO SAMARIA AND THE GENTILES

- 38 Ministry in Samaria (Acts 8:14–17)
 - Prays and lays hands on believers.
- 39 Rebukes Simon Magus (Acts 8:18–24)
 - "Thy money perish with thee."
- 40 Heals Aeneas (Acts 9:32–35)
- 41 Raises Tabitha (Acts 9:36–43)
 - "Tabitha, arise."
- 42 Vision of unclean animals (Acts 10:9–16)
 - "Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean."
- 43 Receives Cornelius' messengers (Acts 10:17–23)
 - Invites them, then travels with them.

12 PETER'S WRITTEN TEACHING

- 53 First Epistle (1 Peter 1:1–5:14)
 - Holy living, suffering, humility, and hope.
- 54 Second Epistle (2 Peter 1:1–3:18)
 - Warnings, false teachers, and steadfastness.

KEY THEMES IN PETER'S LIFE

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|  Called by grace |  A courageous witness |
|  Bold faith and real doubt |  A gospel for all people |
|  Honest failure and deep repentance |  Faithful teaching |
|  Restoration and renewed joy |  A lasting example |

"A man like us, used by God."

"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." — 2 PETER 3:18

IMPERFECT PEOPLE. FAITHFUL GOD. EXTRAORDINARY PURPOSE.

Simon Peter – The First

- John records Jesus' name change for Simon to Peter (Cephas – A Stone) at their very first meeting.
- Called from fishing fish to fishing men

Matthew 16:15-19

¹⁵ He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?

¹⁶ And Simon Peter answered and said, **Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.**

¹⁷ And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

¹⁸ And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

¹⁹ And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

- Was present at the Transfiguration
- Walked on Water... and then sank
- Is easily the most inquisitive of the disciples
- Pledged absolute loyalty, denied 3 times and then reconfirmed his love for Jesus
- Leads the Apostles in Jerusalem (Judas' replacement, Pentecost)
- First Apostle gaoled
- Apostle first sent to the Gentiles
- Directs the Jerusalem council towards Grace

Simon Peter – The man

Bold & Outspoken — Peter is usually the one willing to speak first. He confesses Jesus as the Christ, questions Jesus directly, preaches at Pentecost, and later challenges the Jewish rulers.

Impulsive — He often acts quickly before fully thinking through the consequences. He steps out onto the water, speaks at the Transfiguration, and cuts off Malchus' ear.

Committed — Even when his actions are misguided, Peter's loyalty to Christ is obvious. He says he will die with Jesus, follows Him after the arrest, and later tells Jesus, "thou knowest that I love thee."

Emotionally intense — Peter can swing from great courage to fear very quickly. He walks on water, then sinks; promises never to deny Jesus, then denies Him; afterward he weeps bitterly.

Natural leader — Peter consistently emerges as a spokesman and organiser among the apostles. He leads the discussion about replacing Judas, preaches at Pentecost, and takes a major role in the early church.

Acts 4

Arrested!

And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them,

² Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.

³ And they laid hands on them, and put them in hold unto the next day: for it was now eventide.

⁴ Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and **the number of the men was about five thousand.**

⁵ And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes,

⁶ And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.

⁷ And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this?

But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak.

Matthew 10:19

But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

1 Peter 3:15

Peter's proclamation

⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

⁹ If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

¹⁰ Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

¹¹ *This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.*

¹² Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

¹⁹ *Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, and I will praise the Lord:*

²⁰ *This gate of the Lord, into which the righteous shall enter.*

²¹ *I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.*

²² *The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.*

²³ *This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.*

²⁴ *This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.*

²⁵ *Save now, I beseech thee, O Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, send now prosperity.*

²⁶ *Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord: we have blessed you out of the house of the Lord.*

Psalm 118:19-26

The response

¹³ Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.

¹⁴ **And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.**

¹⁵ But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves,

¹⁶ Saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them is manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny it.

¹⁷ But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.

¹⁸ And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.

²⁴ Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner.

²⁵ He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.

²⁶ Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?

²⁷ He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear it again? will ye also be his disciples?

John 9:24-27

It is right to follow God not Man

¹⁹ But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

²⁰ For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

²¹ So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all men glorified God for that which was done.

²² For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.

Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?

² The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying,

³ Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

Psalm 2:1-3

²³ And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.

²⁴ And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, **Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is:**

²⁵ Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, **Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?**

²⁶ **The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.**

²⁷ For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,

²⁸ For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.

²⁹ And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word,

³⁰ By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.

³¹ And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

²¹ For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Matthew 6:21

The real treasure

³² And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: **neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.**

³³ And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

³⁴ Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold,

³⁵ And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need.

³⁶ And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus,

³⁷ Having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Maestoso.

TRURO—L. M.

Dr. Ch. Burney.



Hymn 6

Who can describe the joys prepared,
For those who love with one accord
T' obey the word the Lord has given;
Who dwells above, enthron'd in heav'n.

Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard,
What for His children He'th prepared;
Neither can mortal man conceive
The joys of those who in Him live.

But glorious treasures are in store,
And He will manifest his pow'r,
When all the world together sing,
And praise and glorify their King.

They now behold the happy day,
When evil will be swept away;
When all the kingdoms under heav'n
Will unto Isr'el's seed be given.

Matthew 13:44-46, 33

⁴⁴ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.

⁴⁵ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:

⁴⁶ Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

³³ Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

- To the Disciples and new Believers nothing earthly held any value after seeing the Spirit at work

I Give You My Heart

This is my desire
To honour You
Lord with all my heart
I worship You

All I have within me
I give You praise
All that I adore
Is in You

Lord I give You my heart
I give You my soul
I live for You alone
Every breath that I take
Every moment I'm awake
Lord have Your way in me

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Matthew 13:44

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