

## Sunday Worship 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020

**OPENING PRAYER:** Faithful one, whose word is life, come with saving power to free our praise, inspire our prayer and shape our lives for the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### SONGS:

Contemporary - Worthy of all praise <https://youtu.be/m2Zu2ciRqkl>

Hymn - Guide me, o thou great Jehovah <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wT4n1hGjDDg>

**FAMILY SPOT:** Kids Action News: Paul Heals <https://youtu.be/davxLDL9hYU>

**FAMILY SONG:** Every move I make <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uQBeeU-6G3Y&list=PLfmzvit8p351rZal9xLnJmRPn6Zn4vvJo&index=4&t=0s>

### Mark 6:30-44

#### Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand

<sup>30</sup> The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup> Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."

<sup>32</sup> So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. <sup>33</sup> But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. <sup>34</sup> When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

<sup>35</sup> By this time it was late in the day, so his disciples came to him. "This is a remote place," they said, "and it's already very late. <sup>36</sup> Send the people away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat."

<sup>37</sup> But he answered, "You give them something to eat."

They said to him, "That would take more than half a year's wages<sup>[a]</sup>! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?"

<sup>38</sup> "How many loaves do you have?" he asked. "Go and see."

When they found out, they said, "Five—and two fish."

<sup>39</sup> Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. <sup>40</sup> So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. <sup>41</sup> Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. <sup>42</sup> They all ate and were satisfied, <sup>43</sup> and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. <sup>44</sup> The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand.

**BIBLE SPOT:** *Who is this man? Jesus. The one who provides.*

<https://youtu.be/jjiHEovdBfQ>

**CONFESSION:** Most merciful God, we humbly admit that we need your help. We confess that we have wandered from your way: we have done wrong, and we have failed to do what is right. You alone can save us. Have mercy on us: wipe out our sins and teach us to forgive others. Bring forth in us the fruit of the Spirit that we may live as disciples of Christ. This we ask in the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen.

**COMMUNITY SPOT** *God's provision in our city* [https://youtu.be/0LajkGE\\_UbQ](https://youtu.be/0LajkGE_UbQ)

### **Psalm 13**

How long, LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?  
<sup>2</sup> How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and day after day have sorrow in my heart?  
How long will my enemy triumph over me? <sup>3</sup> Look on me and answer, LORD my God. Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death, <sup>4</sup> and my enemy will say, "I have overcome him," and my foes will rejoice when I fall. <sup>5</sup> But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. <sup>6</sup> I will sing the LORD's praise, for he has been good to me.

**PRAYER SPOT:** <https://youtu.be/Tado4b4awoo>

### **PRAYER**

God of mercy and pity, remember the homeless, the destitute, the sick, the aged, and all who have none to care for them. Heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and turn their sorrow into joy. Help us to minister to their needs, for the love of your Son, who for our sake became poor, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**LORD'S PRAYER:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

### **SONG:**

Contemporary - Living Hope <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kjhoX2-hmt8>  
Hymn - O for a thousand tongues <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-dEfz6Vms>

**FINAL PRAYER:** Eternal God and Father by whose power we are created and by whose love we are redeemed: guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves to your service, and live this day in love to one another and to you; through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord. Amen.

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**FOR LATER:** Reasonable Faith – Did Jesus rise from the dead? Part 2 -  
<https://sites.google.com/view/swacresources/reasonable-faith>

Below is a study guide

## **Study Guide to accompany Reasonable Faith video 2**

Did Jesus rise from the Dead – Part 2: The Explanation  
and two short videos on the Reliability of New Testament documents

Much of the evidence in the video “Did Jesus rise from the dead?” relies on evidence from independent eyewitnesses, ie the Gospels, Acts, and Paul’s writings. But some argue that it is invalid to suggest that the Bible is evidence for its own claims. How do scholars of history approach this problem?

1. Edwin Judge – honoured ancient historian.
2. William Lane Craig – respected philosopher.

The Reasonable Faith video presents four common alternative explanations:

1. Conspiracy theory – disciples faked the resurrection, stole Jesus body and lied about seeing Jesus alive.
2. Apparent death theory – What were Roman soldiers like?
3. Displaced body theory – What does Jewish practice say about this?
4. Hallucination theory - Witnesses imagined what they reported.

On the basis of the historical reliability of the New Testament, what evidence do the following accounts add to refute these four alternative theories?

Re the claim that Jews had no concept of a Messiah who would be defeated and executed, and then rise from the dead.

Read 2 Samuel 7:11-17, Isaiah 11:1-9, Jeremiah 23:5-6,

Psalms 2:8. What do they say about expectations of the Messiah?

Read Galatians 3:13 and 1 Peter 2:24, and Deuteronomy 21:23.

What did Jews think about this form of execution?

Read John 19:28-37, Matthew 28:1-15 and Acts 4:5-22.

What do these verses show about the certainty of Jesus’ death and bodily resurrection, and the limited arguments the Jewish Sanhedrin later used to try and stop the disciples?

How plausible is hallucination theory considering the number of recorded appearances? see Matthew 28:16-20, Luke 24:36-53, Acts 1:1-11 and 1 Corinthians 15:3-8.

If Jesus really did rise from the dead and after 40 days go to be with His Father, what does this mean for us today? See Acts 1:10-11, John 14:1-7.