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And Mary said,  
“My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God  
my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his  
servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me  
blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear  
him from generation to generation.”

— Luke 1:46–50

# The God Who Rescues

## Scripture for Meditation

*1 Samuel 2:2, 10*

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“There is none holy like the Lord: for there is none besides you; there is no rock like our God. . . . The adversaries of the Lord shall be broken to pieces; against them he will thunder in heaven. The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king and exalt the horn of his anointed.”

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## Call to Worship

### *Only a Holy God*

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?  
Who else could make every king bow down?  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?  
Only a Holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises?  
What other splendor outshines the sun?  
What other majesty rules with justice?  
Only a Holy God.

### *Chorus:*

*Come and behold Him,  
The One and the Only;  
Cry out, sing holy,  
Forever a Holy God.  
Come and worship the Holy God.*

What other glory consumes like fire?  
What other power can raise the dead?  
What other name remains undefeated?  
Only a Holy God.

### *Chorus*

Who else could rescue me from my failing?  
Who else would offer His only Son?  
Who else invites me to call Him Father?  
Only a Holy God.  
Only my Holy God!

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## **Offertory Hymn of Redemption**

*O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer*

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
Greatest treasure of my longing soul.  
My God, like You there is no other;  
True delight is found in You alone.  
Your grace, a well too deep to fathom,  
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach,  
Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom,  
My highest good and my unending need.

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
Strong defender of my weary heart,  
My sword to fight the cruel deceiver,  
And my shield against his hateful darts,  
My song when enemies surround me,  
My hope when tides of sorrow rise,  
My joy when trials are abounding,  
Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night.

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
Gracious Savior of my ruined life.  
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders,  
In my place, You suffered bled and died.  
You rose, the grave and death are conquered;  
You broke my bonds of sin and shame!

You rose, the grave and death are conquered;  
You broke my bonds of sin and shame!

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
May all my days bring glory to Your name;  
May all my days bring glory to Your name.

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## Prayer of Blessing

## Responsive Reading

*Romans 15:1–10*

We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves.

**Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, “The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me.”**

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the

patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

**“Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name.”**

And again it is said,

**“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.”**

## **Hymn of Worship**

### *O Worship the King*

O worship the King, all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing His power and His love;  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

Robert Grant, c. 1779-1838  
Based on Psalm 104

## **Prayer of Corporate Confession**

### **Silence for Personal Confession**

Take a moment for self-reflection, and talk with God quietly about your sin and your need for a Savior.

### **Assurance of Pardon**

*Isaiah 44:22*

“I have swept away your offenses like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist. Return to me, for I have redeemed you.”

*Response: Thanks be to God.*

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## **Hymn of the King**

*God The Uncreated One (King Forevermore)*

God the uncreated One, the author of salvation,  
Wrote the laws of space and time, and fashioned worlds to his  
design;

The One whom angel hosts revere, hung the stars like  
chandeliers,

Numbered every grain of sand, knows the heart of every man.

He is King forever,

He is King forever,

He is King forevermore!

God our fortress and our strength, the rock on which we can  
depend;

Matchless in his majesty, His power and authority;  
Unshaken by the schemes of man, never-changing, Great I  
Am,  
Kingdoms rise and kingdoms fall; He is faithful through it all.  
Crown him King forever,  
Crown him King forever,  
Crown him King forevermore!

Mighty God in mortal flesh, forsaken by a traitor's kiss;  
The curse of sin and centuries did pierce the lowly Prince of  
Peace;  
Lifted high, the sinless man, crucified, the spotless Lamb,  
Buried by the sons of man, rescued by the Father's hand  
To reign as King forever,  
Reign as King forever,  
Reign as King forevermore!  
King Eternal, God of Grace, we crown You with the highest  
praise;  
Heaven shouts and saints adore, you're Holy, Holy, Holy Lord!  
What joy in everlasting life; all is love and faith is sight;  
Justice rolls and praises rise at the Name of Jesus Christ,  
King of Kings forever,  
King of Kings forever,  
King of Kings forevermore!

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## **Dismissal for Children**

During this next song, children ages 3 – K5 may be dismissed for children's classes downstairs.



## Hymn of Rescue

### *Jesus, Strong and Kind*

Jesus said that if I thirst  
I should come to him;  
No one else can satisfy.  
I should come to him.

Jesus said if I am weak  
I should come to him;  
No one else can be my strength.  
I should come to him.

### *Chorus:*

*For the Lord is good and faithful;  
He will keep us day and night.  
We can always run to Jesus,  
Jesus, strong and kind.*

Jesus said that if I fear  
I should come to him;  
No one else can be my shield.  
I should come to him.

### *Chorus*

Jesus said if I am lost  
He will come to me,  
And he showed me on that cross  
He will come to me.

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## **Sunday Service Times**

9:15 am          Corporate Prayer Service

10:30 am        Corporate Worship Service

\*A nursery is available for all services. Sunday sermons are available on our website or at [ebcupstate.sermonaudio.com](http://ebcupstate.sermonaudio.com).

**Emmanuel Bible Church** is a community of believers committed to glorifying God by applying the Gospel to every area of life and to making disciples who will love God with all their hearts and their neighbors as themselves.

We are thrilled to be a part of what God is doing in the Upstate. Few things are as exciting as seeing lives and relationships changed through the clear teaching of God's Word. After all, we are made expressly to be in a relationship with Him and to recognize Jesus as our Lord and Savior. At Emmanuel we strive to bring God glory through singing and praying together, hearing His Word preached, loving Him, and loving one another.

We would be delighted to have an opportunity to meet you. We are here to help and encourage you through the teaching of God's Word and through biblical fellowship.

—*Brad Baugham, teaching pastor*

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*Ministers*

The congregation at large

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