

Preparing for Worship

Highland Baptist Church of Hickory, NC

The Lord's Day

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Ways to Use This Worship Preparation Page

Print it out on Thursday or Friday and take it home. Put it in your Bible as a reference for Sunday.

Use it as a **family devotion** on Saturday.

Use it as a **personal devotion** on Sunday morning.

Give it to a **guest** you are inviting to come to the services this weekend.

-Pastor Jesse



This Week's Recommended Memory Verse

Nevertheless, each individual among you also is to love his own wife even as himself, and the wife must see to it that she respects her husband.

Ephesians 5:33 NASU

Study the Sermon Scripture for Sunday

Prepare for this week's study by reading through **Acts 16:10-40**

The Gospel Goes to EUROPE...

When he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. So putting out to sea from Troas, we ran a straight course to Samothrace, and on the day following to Neapolis; and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia, a Roman colony; and we were staying in this city for some days. And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to a riverside, where we were supposing that there would be a place of prayer; and we sat down and began speaking to the women who had assembled. A woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple fabrics, a worshiper of God, was listening; and the Lord opened her heart to respond to the things spoken by Paul. And when she and her household had been baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us. It happened that as we were going to the place of prayer, a slave-girl having a spirit of divination met us, who was bringing her masters much profit by fortune-telling. Following after Paul and us, she kept crying out, saying, "These men are bond-servants of the Most High God, who are proclaiming to you the way of salvation." She continued doing this for many days. But Paul was greatly annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her!" And it came out at that very moment. But when her masters saw that their hope of

profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market place before the authorities, and when they had brought them to the chief magistrates, they said, "These men are throwing our city into confusion, being Jews, and are proclaiming customs which it is not lawful for us to accept or to observe, being Romans." The crowd rose up together against them, and the chief magistrates tore their robes off them and proceeded to order them to be beaten with rods. When they had struck them with many blows, they threw them into prison, commanding the jailer to guard them securely; and he, having received such a command, threw them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns of praise to God, and the prisoners were listening to them; and suddenly there came a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison house were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer awoke and saw the prison doors opened, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here!" And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, and after he brought them out, he said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him together with all who were in his house. And he took them that very hour of the night and washed their wounds, and immediately he was baptized, he and all his household. And



he brought them into his house and set food before them, and rejoiced greatly, having believed in God with his whole household. Now when day came, the chief magistrates sent their policemen, saying, "Release those men." And the jailer reported these words to Paul, saying, "The chief magistrates have sent to release you. Therefore come out now and go in peace." But Paul said to them, "They have beaten us in public without trial, men who are Romans, and have thrown us into prison; and now are they sending us away secretly? No indeed! But let them come themselves and bring us out." The policemen reported these words to the chief magistrates. They were afraid when they heard that they were Romans, and they came and appealed to them, and when they had brought them out, they kept begging them to leave the city. They went out of the prison and entered the house of Lydia, and when they saw the brethren, they encouraged them and departed.

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What will we be singing on Sunday?

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

"Blessed Be Your Name"

"His Name Is Wonderful"

"The Savior Is Waiting"

"Only Trust Him"

WORSHIP CHOIR

"There's Power In The Name Of Jesus"



Pray for our Leaders this week...

Preaching

Pastor Jesse Lott

Leading Prayer

Reggie Sweat

Ron Flynt

Music

Kenny Robison

Worship Choir

Instrumentalists

Praise Team

EPHESIANS 5:22-33

Bruce Caldwell

Technical Support

Scott Maynard, SOUND

Kevin Brown, VIDEO

Children's Worship

Charlie Sisti



HOLY HOLY HOLY!

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord
God Almighty!*

*Early in the morning our
song shall rise to Thee.*

*Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

*Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea.
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.*

*Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see.
Only Thou art holy- there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, in purity.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth,
and sky, and sea.*

*Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

Text by Reginald Heber