



A FULFILLING LIFE

Good Friday

MESSIAH

A FULFILLING LIFE: HE LIVED A FULL LIFE



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“He lived a full life!” they say at an elderly man’s funeral. “He lived through war and poverty. He built a life and family. He impacted so many lives. He watched his kids and grandkids grow up. He lived a full life.” Is this what it means to live a full life?

He was only 33. He just barely got going 3 years earlier and was beginning to make an impact on so many lives. But then he died. It seems like a life cut short, and yet it can only be said of him who died a cruel death at the age of 33, “He lived a full life.” He lived a full life we could never have lived, a perfect life in our place. He made a full payment for the whole world of sin as he gave up his perfect life. This is what it means to live a full life. It’s this life given in your place that gives you a truly lasting and fulfilling life.

Welcome to Messiah

Restrooms are located in the fellowship hall. Exit the sanctuary turn right, and go through the double doors.

Quiet room. Children are always welcome in worship and we love hearing their little voices. However, if needed, a quiet room is located in the fellowship hall. Turn right when exiting the sanctuary and the quiet room will be on the left.

Ushers are available in the entry way to answer any additional questions you may have.

Good Friday



Evening Call to Worship

The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have graciously kept me this day. Forgive me all my sins, and graciously keep me this night. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

The Power of the Cross

CW 423

1 Oh, to see the dawn
of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men,
torn and beaten, then
nailed to a cross of wood. *(Refrain)*

Refrain

***This the pow'r of the cross:
Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath;
we stand forgiven at the cross.***

2 Oh, to see the pain
written on your face,
bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought,
ev'ry evil deed
crowning your bloodstained brow.
(Refrain)

3 Now the daylight flees;
now the ground beneath
quakes as its maker bows his head.
Curtain torn in two,
dead are raised to life;
"Finished!" the vict'ry cry. *(Refrain)*

4 Oh, to see my name
written in the wounds,
for through your suff'ring I am free.
Death is crushed to death;
life is mine to live,
won through your selfless love!
(Final Refrain)

Final Refrain

***This the pow'r of the cross:
Son of God—slain for us.
What a love, what a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.***

Jesus Fulfilled Prophecy

Isaiah 53

- ¹Who has believed our message
and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?
²He grew up before him like a tender shoot,
and like a root out of dry ground.
He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him,
nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.
³He was despised and rejected by mankind,
a man of suffering, and familiar with pain.

*As our substitute,
Christ endured the
punishment that
our guilt deserved.
We are now at
peace with God.*

Like one from whom people hide their faces
he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.

⁴Surely he took up our pain
and bore our suffering,
yet we considered him punished by God,
stricken by him, and afflicted.

⁵But he was pierced for our transgressions,
he was crushed for our iniquities;
the punishment that brought us peace was on him,
and by his wounds we are healed.

⁶We all, like sheep, have gone astray,
each of us has turned to our own way;
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed and afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
he was led like a lamb to the slaughter,
and as a sheep before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

⁸By oppression and judgment he was taken away.
Yet who of his generation protested?
For he was cut off from the land of the living;
for the transgression of my people he was punished.

⁹He was assigned a grave with the wicked,
and with the rich in his death,
though he had done no violence,
nor was any deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer,
and though the LORD makes his life an offering for sin,
he will see his offspring and prolong his days,
and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand.

¹¹After he has suffered,
he will see the light of life and be satisfied;
by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many,
and he will bear their iniquities.

¹²Therefore I will give him a portion among the great,
and he will divide the spoils with the strong,
because he poured out his life unto death,
and was numbered with the transgressors.
For he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

Were You There

CW 426 st. 1

- 1 Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

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Jesus Fulfilled the Law

Galatians 3:10–13

¹⁰For all who rely on the works of the law are under a curse, as it is written: “Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law.” ¹¹Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because “the righteous will live by faith.” ¹²The law is not based on faith; on the contrary, it says, “The person who does these things will live by them.” ¹³Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: “Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole.”

We are saved not by obeying God’s law but through faith in the One who redeemed us from the law’s curse.

Were You There

CW 426 st. 2

- 2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

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Jesus Made a Full Payment

John 19:17–30

¹⁷Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). ¹⁸There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.

¹⁹Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. ²⁰Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and the sign was written in Aramaic, Latin and Greek. ²¹The chief priests of the Jews protested to Pilate, “Do not write ‘The King of the Jews,’ but that this man claimed to be king of the Jews.”

²²Pilate answered, “What I have written, I have written.”

²³When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom.

²⁴“Let’s not tear it,” they said to one another. “Let’s decide by lot who will get it.” This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled that said,

“They divided my clothes among them
and cast lots for my garment.”

So this is what the soldiers did.

The crucifixion and death of Jesus.

²⁵Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your son," ²⁷and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

²⁸Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." ²⁹A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. ³⁰When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Were You There

CW 426 st. 3

- 3 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
 Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

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Message

Isaiah 53:4-6, John 19:30

He Lived a Full Life

The Old Rugged Cross

- 1 On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross
 The emblem of suff'ring and shame
 And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
 For a world of lost sinners was slain **(Refrain)**

Chorus

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross
Till my trophies at last I lay down
I will cling to the old rugged cross
And exchange it some day for a crown*

- 2 O the old rugged cross so despised by the world
 Has a wondrous attraction for me
 For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above
 To bear it to dark Calvary **(Refrain)**
- 3 In the old rugged cross stained with blood so divine
 A wondrous beauty I see
 For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died
 To pardon and sanctify me **(Refrain)**
- 4 To the old rugged cross I will ever be true
 Its shame and reproach gladly bear
 Then He'll call me some day to my home far away
 Where His glory forever I'll share **(Refrain)**

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Placing of the Nails on the Cross

You will be directed forward by the ushers to place your nail in the cross while the soloist sings the following song. Please, do not feel rushed as you come forward. As you place your nail in the cross, know that it was Jesus' great love for you that held him there to earn your forgiveness! We could never repay our Savior for what he has done.

Jesus' Burial

John 19:38–42

³⁸Later, Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. Now Joseph was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly because he feared the Jewish leaders. With Pilate's permission, he came and took the body away. ³⁹He was accompanied by Nicodemus, the man who earlier had visited Jesus at night. Nicodemus brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds. ⁴⁰Taking Jesus' body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of linen. This was in accordance with Jewish burial customs. ⁴¹At the place where Jesus was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no one had ever been laid. ⁴²Because it was the Jewish day of Preparation and since the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

There will be no closing greeting tonight. You may remain for prayer and quiet meditation. When you are ready, please leave in silence. On Easter morning, the silence will be broken with shouts of praise and singing!

Offering

An offering plate is located in the lobby. If you are our guest today, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. Members of Messiah give generously and freely out of thanksgiving to the Lord and in support of Messiah's mission to preach the good news of Jesus Christ in Nampa and to the ends of the earth.

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Early Worship Service 8:30 a.m.
Easter breakfast 9:30 a.m.
Late Worship Service 10:30 a.m.



Our Mission

Knowing Jesus, Sharing his Love.

Our Core Values

Servant Heart. "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord" (Colossians 3:23).

A Caring Community. "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers" (Galatians 6:10).

Anchored in the Word. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God" (Colossians 3:16).

Adaptable. "But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect" (1 Peter 3:15).

Outreach Focused. "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation" (Mark 16:15).

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Worship Schedule

8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Bible Class/Sunday School