



Sunday 22nd November

Energise – Service of the Word

Welcome

Wiggles song

Wiggle, wiggle, wiggle, wiggle
Wiggle, wiggle, wiggle, wiggle
FREEZE

I said I gotta, I gotta I gotta get the wiggles out of me

I'm gonna shake my hands, I'm gonna shake my feet

I'm gonna shake my head, Gonna groove to the beat

'Cos I gotta, I gotta I gotta get the wiggles out of me

I said I gotta I gotta I gotta get the wiggles out of me

Wiggle, wiggle, wiggle, wiggle.....

Skiddly scat, skiddly dee I gotta get the wiggles out of me

I wanna hear the story It's gonna be fun

'Cos hearing about Jesus is for everyone

So I gotta, I gotta I gotta get the wiggles out of me

I said I gotta I gotta I gotta get the wiggles out of me

Take it down and FREEZE!

Preparation

Leader God is good

All All the time

All the time

All God is good

Hymn – **Jesus is Lord, creation's voice proclaims it**

Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it,
for by His power each tree and flower was planned and made.
Jesus is Lord! The universe declares it;
sun, moon and stars in heaven cry: 'Jesus is Lord!'

Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!
Praise Him with hallelujahs, for Jesus is Lord!

Jesus is Lord! Yet from His throne eternal
in flesh He came to die in pain on Calvary's tree.
Jesus is Lord! From Him all life proceeding,
yet gave His life a ransom thus setting us free.
Jesus is Lord . . .

Jesus is Lord! O'er sin the mighty conqueror,
from death He rose and all His foes shall own His name.
Jesus is Lord! God sends His Holy Spirit
to show by works of power that Jesus is Lord.
Jesus is Lord . . .

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This time @ home

Skit – Because I love you

Worship and Word

Song – Nothing's too big

Nothing's too big, big, big
for his power

Nothing's too little, little
for his care

Nothing's too big, big, big
for his power

Nothing's too iddly, widdly
for his care

Nothing's too big, big, big
for his power

Nothing's too incy-wincy
for his care

Nothing's too big, big, big
for his power

Nothing's too teeny-weeny
for his care

He is God of the big,
God of the little
God of the stuff somewhere
in the middle

The King of moving mountains
Loves you more than you will
ever know

Nothing's too big,
nothing's too small
Nothing's too much,
he cares for it all

Video – Naaman is healed (from 2 Kings 5:1-19a)

Reading *Romans 5:1-2,6-10* read by Kay Dodds

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

⁶You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die.

⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

Talk and confession – Robin and Nicola

Naaman was an army commander.

He was loved by the king because he was so good at conquering other nations.

But Naaman was not a servant of God and he even went and raided parts of Israel, God's land and he had captured and enslaved some of the Israelites, God's people.

Naaman was not a very nice man to God or his people.

Naaman was also not very well. Naaman had a skin condition called leprosy which meant he had dry itchy white patches on his skin.

One of the Israelites whom Naaman had captured was a girl who worked for him. She was a good servant and wanted her master, Naaman, to be healed so she told him that if he went to Samaria and found the prophet there, he could be healed.

Naaman went at once bringing with him presents and gifts for the person who could heal him.

Naaman excitedly knocked at the door of the prophet Elisha.

Elisha sent out a messenger to tell Naaman to wash himself in the local river 7 times and then God will heal him.

Well, what do you think Naaman did? Run to the river and wash himself?... well no. Naaman was too proud for that. He thought too much of himself. He thought "I'm Naaman the great commander of King Aram, I demand to be spoken to by Elisha not just his messenger. I demand that

he comes out and calls on the name of the lord, wave his hands over my body to heal me, I'm not going to wash in the river Jordan I'm too important and I have better rivers back home".

Naaman was proud and angry. He raided many different towns, and captured people – forcing them to leave their homes. He was not a very nice person.

Are you ever like Naaman, are you ever unkind? Are you ever unfriendly? Are you ever unhelpful? Are you ever unloving? Are you ever uncaring? Are you ever unwelcoming? Are you ever ungrateful?

Well Jesus told us that even when we are any of these un-words, when we do bad things, we can come to him and say sorry and he will forgive us and help us to change.

Take some time to think about those un-words we mentioned, have you been any of those things this week?

So, we say sorry to God, and ask God to turn: our unkind, into kind. Our unfriendly into friendly. Our unhelpful into helpful. Our unloving into loving. Our uncaring into caring. Our unwelcoming into welcoming. Our ungrateful into grateful.

Back to our story, do you remember that Naaman was angry? He was very angry, but his servant managed to calm his master down and makes him wash in the river.

When we come before God and say sorry, he forgives all of our sins – all those un-words. And just like he takes our sins away, God chose to heal Naaman – to take his leprosy away. Naaman washed in the river 7 times, and he was healed – his leprosy was gone.

Naaman went running back to Elisha to say Thank you and Elisha told him not to thank him but to thank the lord God. So Naaman does and promises only to worship the Lord God from now on taking soil from Samaria home to make an altar.

Our God is wonderful loving god. In fact, he is so loving that he loves even those who hurt him.

Imagine someone came knocking at your door, and this man asks for help. You recognise him, you have seen him hurt other people. And he starts to shout at you saying how wonderful he is and how important he is, he gets angry at you. Do you help him?

God says he would. God says he did.

In the Bible, in Paul's letter to the Romans – in chapter 5 he says these famous words:

‘While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.’

While we, you and I were sinners, whilst we were unkind and unloving and turned away from God, Jesus died for us on the cross so that we could be forgiven and have a relationship with God.

Do you remember how Naaman reacted when he was healed? He was full of joy, celebrating, thanking God and praising him.

Paul tells us that this is also how we should respond when we know that Jesus died for us so that we could be forgiven.

God chose to reconcile us to him – to bring us back together.

Paul says, ‘For if, while we were God’s enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son,..’

That’s amazing! That when we sin, when we do bad things, unkind things, unloving things, like Naaman there is a barrier stopping us being friends with God, but Jesus came down and even though we were mean to him, he died so we could be friends with God again and be washed clean. Just like Naaman.

How amazing, how wonderful and great reason to praise God just as Naaman did.

Song – Happy Day

The greatest day in history,
death is beaten,
You have rescued me.
Sing it out, Jesus is alive.
The empty cross and the empty
grave,
life eternal, You have won the day.
Celebrate, Jesus is alive, He’s alive.

*And oh, happy day, happy day,
You washed my sin away.
Oh, happy day, happy day,
I’ll never be the same.
Forever I am changed.*

When I stand, in that place,
free at last, meeting face to face.
I am Yours, and Jesus, You are
mine.

Endless joy, perfect peace,
every pain finally will cease.
Celebrate, Jesus is alive, He’s alive.
And oh, happy day . . .

Oh, what a glorious day,
what a glorious way
that You have saved me.
And oh, what a glorious day,
what a glorious way.
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah.

*And oh, happy day, happy day,
You washed my sin away.
Oh, happy day, happy day,
I’ll never be the same.
Forever I am changed.
I’ll never be the same.*

Prayers – Jenny

Earlier, Robin told us about how Jesus died so that we could have a relationship with God. Part of that relationship is the fact that we can talk to God through prayer, and he hears our prayers.

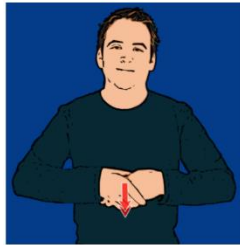
For our prayers today, we're going to use British Sign Language – a very important way of communicating with those who cannot hear.

As I show you each sign, try the sign yourself and spend some time praying for each thing.

For our families



For our friends



For our government



For our church *(Place two fists on top of each other in front of you and move up and down as if ringing a bell)*

At our Families @ 11:30 sessions, we use four particular signs in our prayers. The signs you need to know are: sorry, thank you, help and please and we will say those together.

Dear God,

For the times when we are unkind and unloving and ungrateful.

We say Sorry



For your wonderful creation, for the people we love, for the chance to worship you today, and For Jesus who died for us so that we could have a relationship with God.

We say Thank You



For those we know who are unwell, or lonely at this time, for Peter & Eileen Bliss, for John Hunter, for Mary McKinnon, for Olive Park, for Joy Storkey, for Philip Hall.

We ask for your help



For those who are grieving, for the family and friends of Peter Wallace, and for conflict and violence around the world.

We ask for your peace

Amen



Lord's Prayer

**All 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.
 Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
 now and for ever. Amen.**

Notices

**Song – Who breaks the power
Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder?
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.**

*This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love,
that You would take my place,
that You would bear my cross.
You would lay down Your life,
that I would be set free:
Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me,
all that You've done for me.*

**Who brings our chaos back into order?
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.
Who rules the nations with truth and justice,
shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.**

This is amazing grace . . .

**Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
and worthy is the King who conquered the grave.**

(x4)

. . . worthy, worthy, worthy.

*This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love,
that You would take my place,
that You would bear my cross.
You would lay down Your life,
that I would be set free.
Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.*

Josh Farro / Phil Wickham / Jeremy Riddle

Conclusion

Leader The LORD bless us and keep us:
 The LORD make his face to shine upon us,
 and be gracious to us:
 The LORD lift up his countenance upon us,
 and give us peace.
 and the blessing ...

All We go into the world
 to walk in God's light,
 to rejoice in God's love
 and to reflect God's glory. Amen

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