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Monday, October 7, 2024

Monday Methodists 9am

Knitting Circle 10am

Council Meeting 7pm

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Pastor's Office Hour 2pm-4pm

Thursday, October 10, 2024

Pastor's Office Hour 10pm-12pm

GREETING

In the midst of struggle and strife, God is with us.

Praise be to God for God's steadfast presence.

Even though many things in life hurt and disappoint us, God is with us.

We seek God's mercy and grace to heal our wounded souls.

Come, bring your needs and wants to God, for God will hear your cries and restore your souls.

Praise be to God for mercy, peace, and hope. AMEN.

PRAYER

**Lord, we come to you today
with so many things on our hearts.
You call us to be in relationship of trust and love with you and
you offer healing to us
for those portions of our lives
that are broken and injured. Help us
to be open to your mercy and healing love.
For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.**

The Old Rugged Cross

Words: George Bennard, 1913 (1 Cor. 1:22-25)

Music: George Bennard, 1913

Tune: THE OLD RUGGED CROSS

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On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

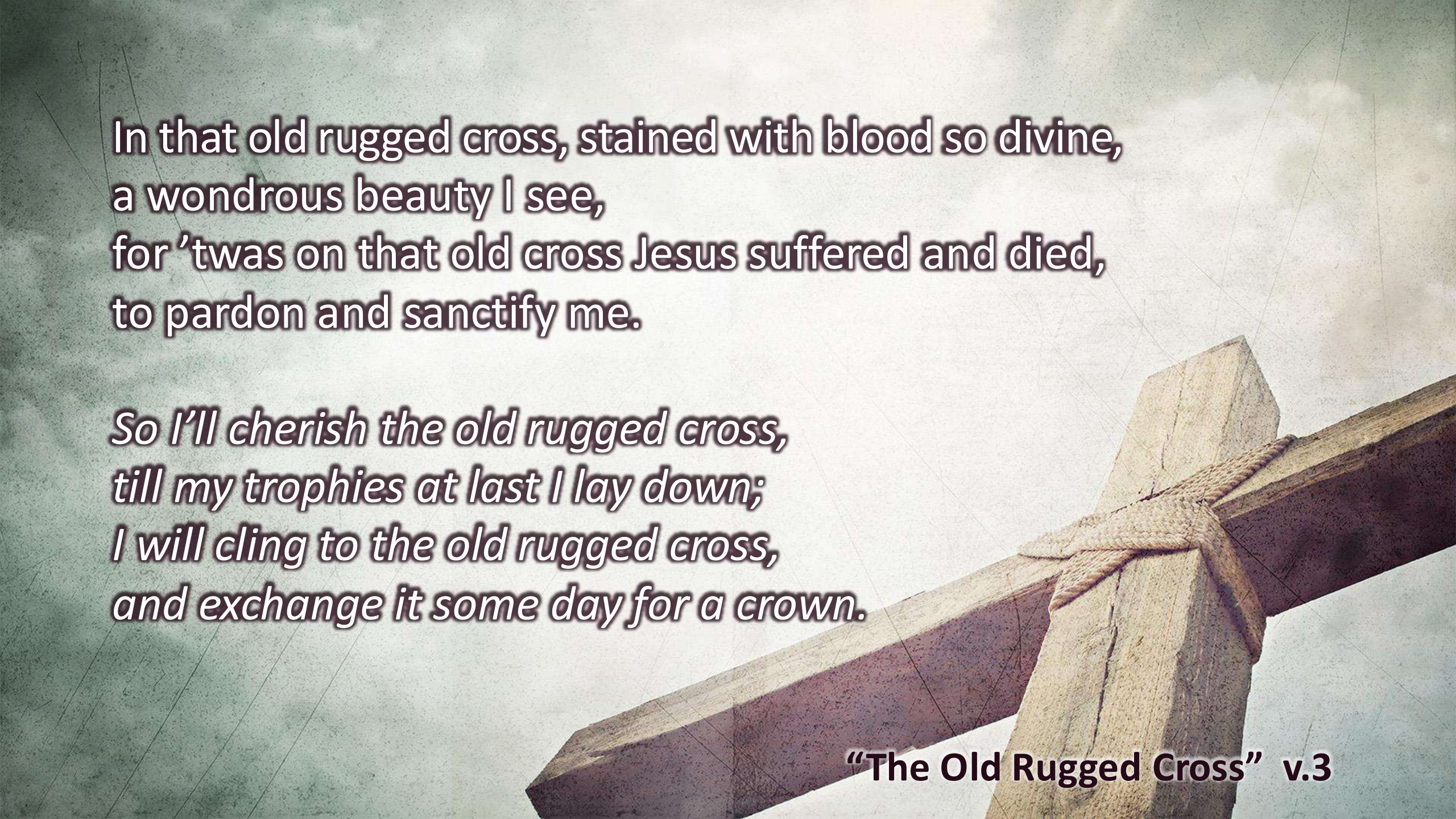
*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.*

“The Old Rugged Cross” v.1

O that 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.

*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.*

"The Old Rugged Cross" v.2

A close-up, low-angle shot of a weathered wooden cross. The cross is made of two thick, light-brown wooden beams. The horizontal beam is in the foreground, and the vertical beam is in the background. The cross is set against a bright, overcast sky with soft, white clouds. The lighting is natural, highlighting the texture of the wood and the grain of the beams. The overall mood is solemn and reverent.

In that 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.

*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.*

“The Old Rugged Cross” v.3

To that 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.

*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.*

"The Old Rugged Cross" v.4



+PASSING OF THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC

The background is a vibrant, multi-colored marbled paper. It features swirling patterns of deep green, rich purple, and bright gold, set against a dark, almost black base. The colors are fluid and organic, creating a complex, abstract design. The text is overlaid on this background in two dark, semi-transparent rectangular boxes.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying.
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”



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. Amen.**



Let Us Break Bread Together

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Words: Afro-American spiritual (Acts 2:42)

*Music: Afro-American spiritual,
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Tune: LET US BREAK BREAD

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Let us break bread together
on our knees, (on our knees)
let us break bread together
on our knees. (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)



“Let Us Break Bread Together” v.1

Let us drink wine together
on our knees, (on our knees)
let us drink wine together
on our knees. (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)



“Let Us Break Bread Together” v.2

Let us praise God together
on our knees, (on our knees)
let us praise God together
on our knees. (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)



“Let Us Break Bread Together” v.3

Let us praise God together
on our knees, (on our knees)
let us praise God together
on our knees, (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy if you please. (if you please)



“Let Us Break Bread Together” v.4

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Job 2:4-10 NRSV

⁴ Then the accuser answered the LORD, “Skin for skin! All that the man has he will give for his life. ⁵ But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face.” ⁶ The LORD said to the accuser, “Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life.”

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Job 2:4-10 NRSV

⁷ So the accuser went out from the presence of the LORD and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. ⁸ Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself and sat among the ashes.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Job 2:4-10 NRSV

⁹ Then his wife said to him, “Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God and die.” ¹⁰ But he said to her, “You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive good from God and not receive evil?” In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Hebrews 2:9-12 NRSV

⁹ but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Hebrews 2:9-12 NRSV

¹⁰ It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹ For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹² saying, “I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”



SERMON

**The Reason
That We Can Affirm the Life**



Rev. Daein Park

OFFERTORY “Goodness of God”

Music: Ed Cash, Ben Fielding, Jason Ingram, Brian Johnson, Jenn Johnson

Tune: GOODNESS OF GOD

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DOXOLOGY

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

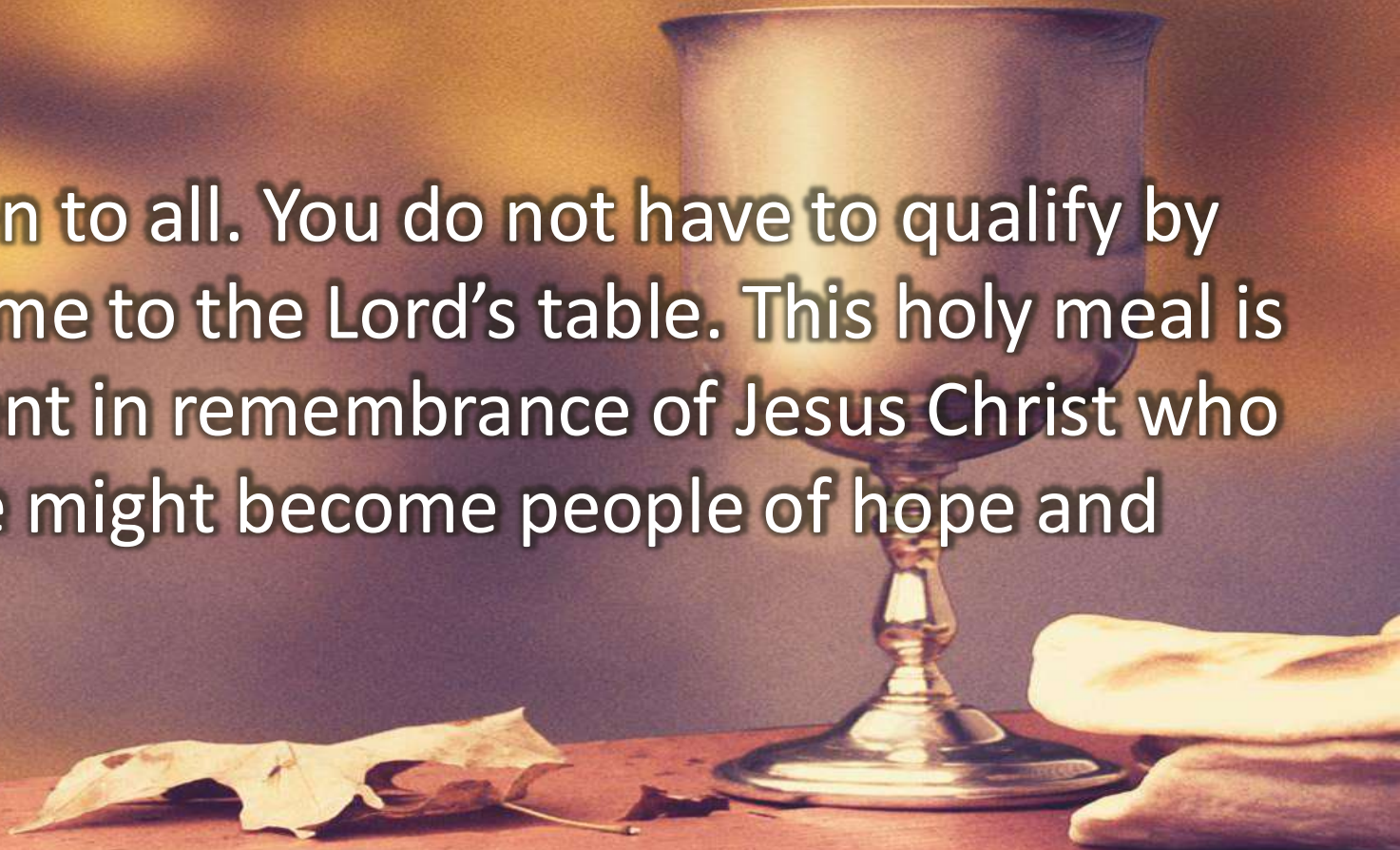
OFFERTORY PRAYER



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

† *Invitation*

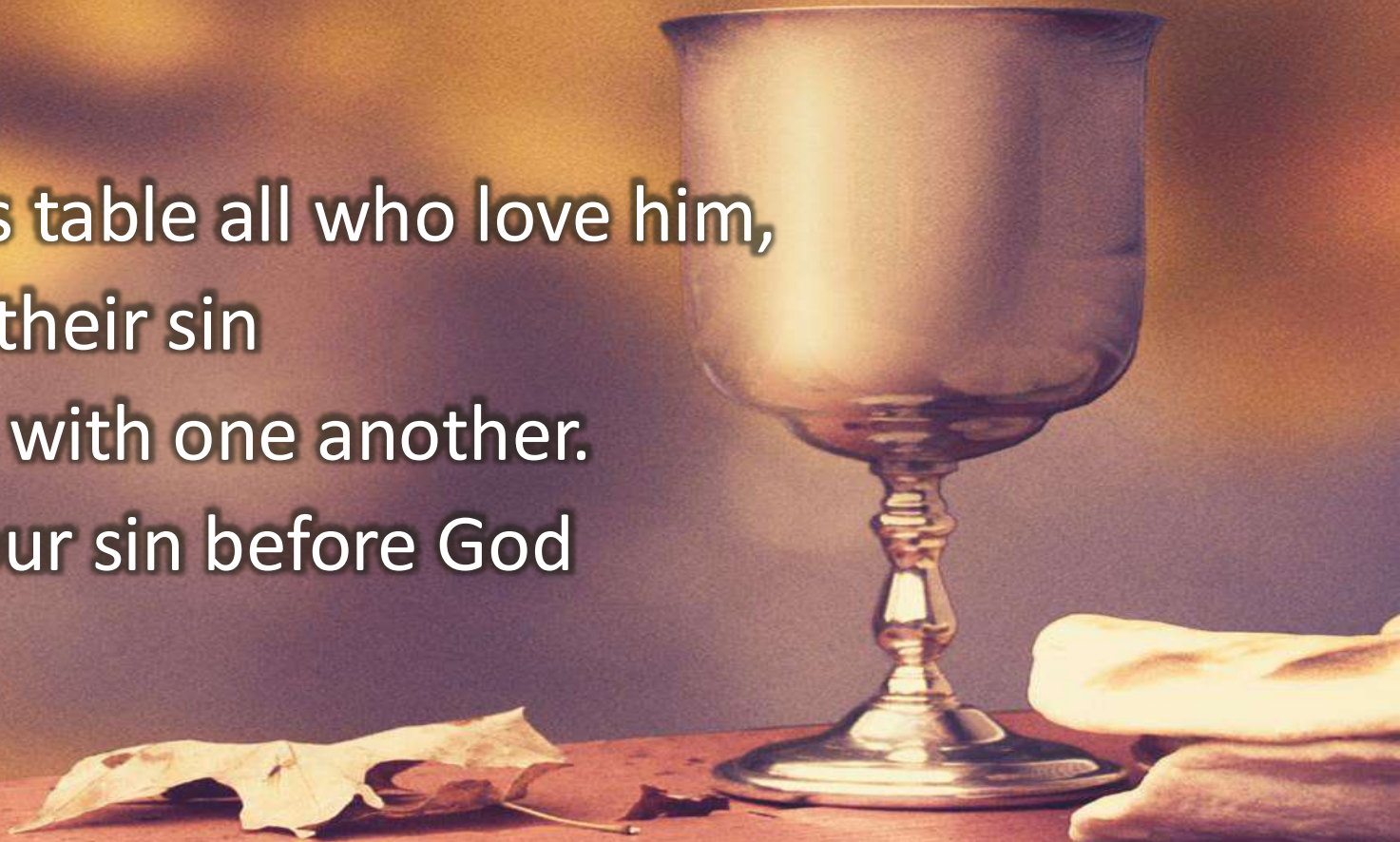
The table of our Lord is open to all. You do not have to qualify by virtue of righteousness to come to the Lord's table. This holy meal is prepared for your nourishment in remembrance of Jesus Christ who offered his whole life that we might become people of hope and peace.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

† *Invitation*

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God
and one another.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

† Confess and Pardon

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Glory to God. Amen.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

† Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

In the beginning You alone made the world
and it was perfect.

You created fresh clean breezes, and powerful winds
to sculpt Your natural wonders.

You created oscillating oceans, rushing rivers,
and silent streams, all declaring Your glory.

You created flowers of every color You could dream of,
giving many a perfume that is unmatched
in their delight.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

The trees You created tower into the heavens,
a brilliant habitat for such a variety of creatures.
You made a place for every creature, those we can see
and those so small we never knew were there.
Each life depending upon another for its existence.
Each and every life essential to Your masterpiece.
Thank you for placing us
in such a delightful garden of Eden!



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

Thank you also for all people.

You have helped them find a place to live everywhere, and
in every place we have found Your abundant blessing.

According to Your great wisdom,

You created us with a marvelous diversity.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

We have devised a myriad of languages,
each one essential for us to proclaim Your greatness.
When even one language goes silent,
Your praise is diminished.
We have instituted a plethora of cultures,
seeking to live out Your wisdom in great complexity.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

When even one culture is eclipsed,
our understanding of You is diminished.
Each and every person is essential to Your masterpiece.
Thank you for placing us
within this Your marvelous family.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

Together we worship Your holy name.

Together we sing in praise of Your greatness.

Together joining with the grand diversity of heaven adding our voices to their unending hymn:



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are all who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

You are holy and so is Jesus, Your presence with us.
Jesus was born in a certain place and time,
in Bethlehem at the time of Herod the King,
but continues to be found among us in every place
and for all time.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

Jesus spoke the languages of Palestine, but his name is spoken in every language found in the world.

What You sent Jesus to do, was not just for one people, but for all people, not just for some people in the world but to bring salvation to all the peoples of the world.

Your promise of grace is good news for all and we are still instructed to go into all of the world to teach this truth.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

To show us how to care for one another,
Jesus broke with custom.

The teacher chose to wash the feet of the students.

The leader chose to serve the needs of the followers.

The one others saw as most worthy cared for
those who felt least worthy.

We are encouraged to do the same.



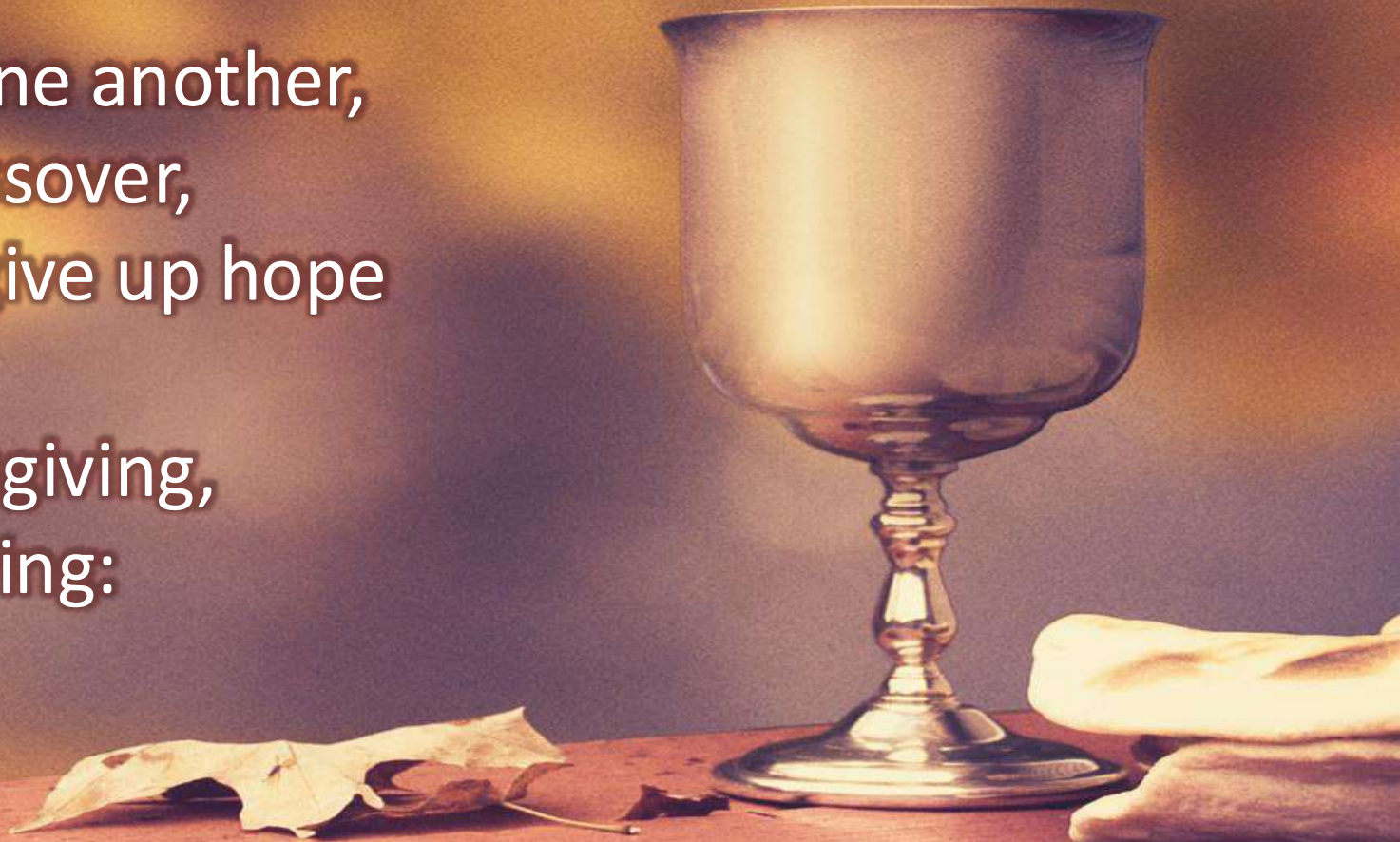
CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

To show us how to care for one another,
Jesus took the bread of Passover,
a yearly reminder
that there were still people being oppressed,
and with a prayer of thanksgiving,
broke and shared it with all, saying:
“Take and eat, this is my body, given for you.”
We are encouraged to do the same.



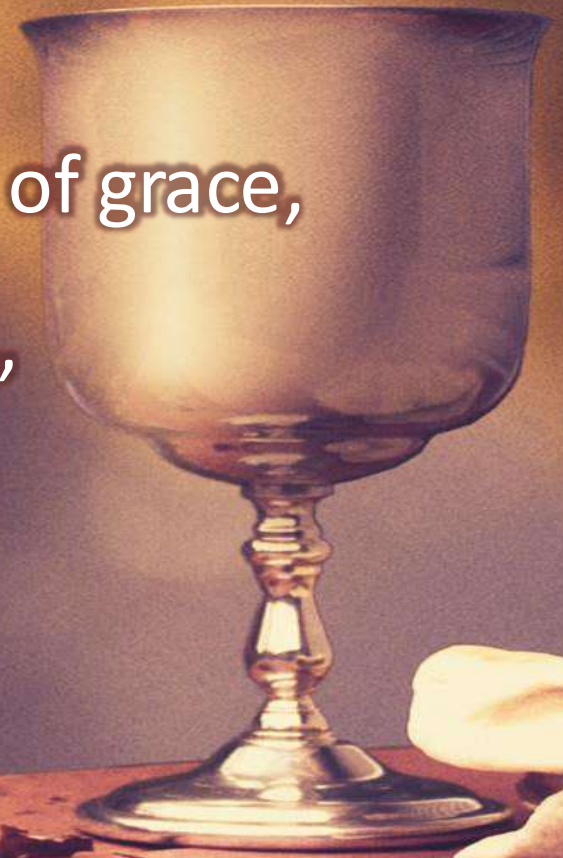
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To show us how to care for one another,
Jesus took the last cup of Passover,
seen as a reminder to not give up hope
in God's promised mercy,
and with a prayer of thanksgiving,
shared the cup with all, saying:



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

“Drink with me, this is the cup of my blood
poured out believing in God's eternal Covenant of grace,
granting you forgiveness for your sins,
and for the sins of all who trust in God's Word.”
We are encouraged to do the same.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

All over the world people are crying out
for what Christ has died to give them.
It is this faith, hope, and love that we feel called to share,
and so because of the truth
we find in this holy mystery,
we proclaim our faith in Christ:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

Gracious Breeze, Soothing Stream,
anoint these gifts of bread and wine
reveal to us through them,
the body and blood of Christ
God's expressed love for the whole world.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

Gracious Breeze, Soothing Stream,
anoint the gift of our lives in all of its grand diversity
reveal to the world, through us, Your church,
the heart of Christ and compassion of his bride,
God's expressed love for the whole world.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

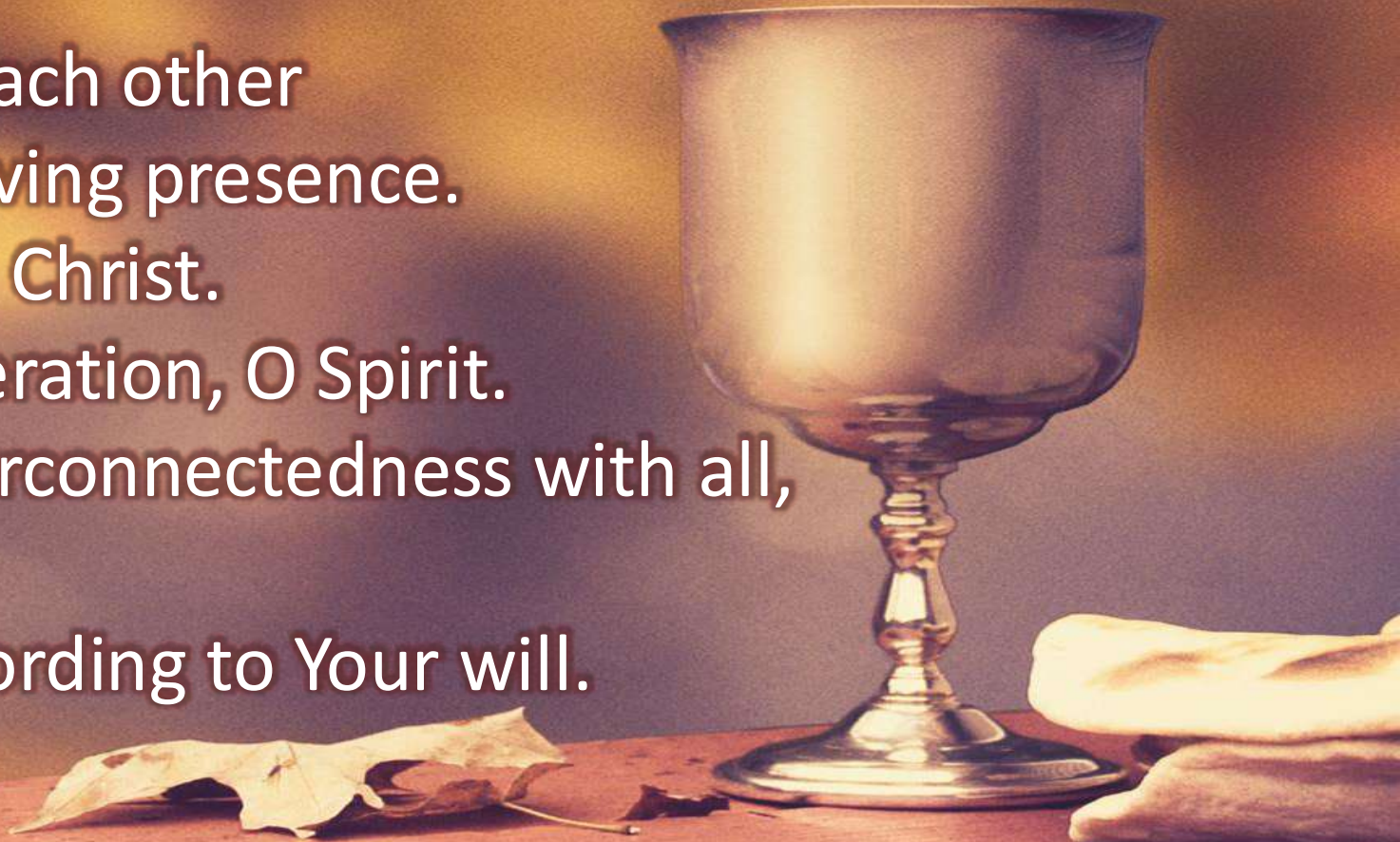
Gracious Breeze, Soothing Stream,
bless Your church throughout the world.
Use our great diversity
to create beautiful harmonies between one another.
Help us see how we are well fitted together
in Your great web of life,
so that we might be a richer blessing to all.



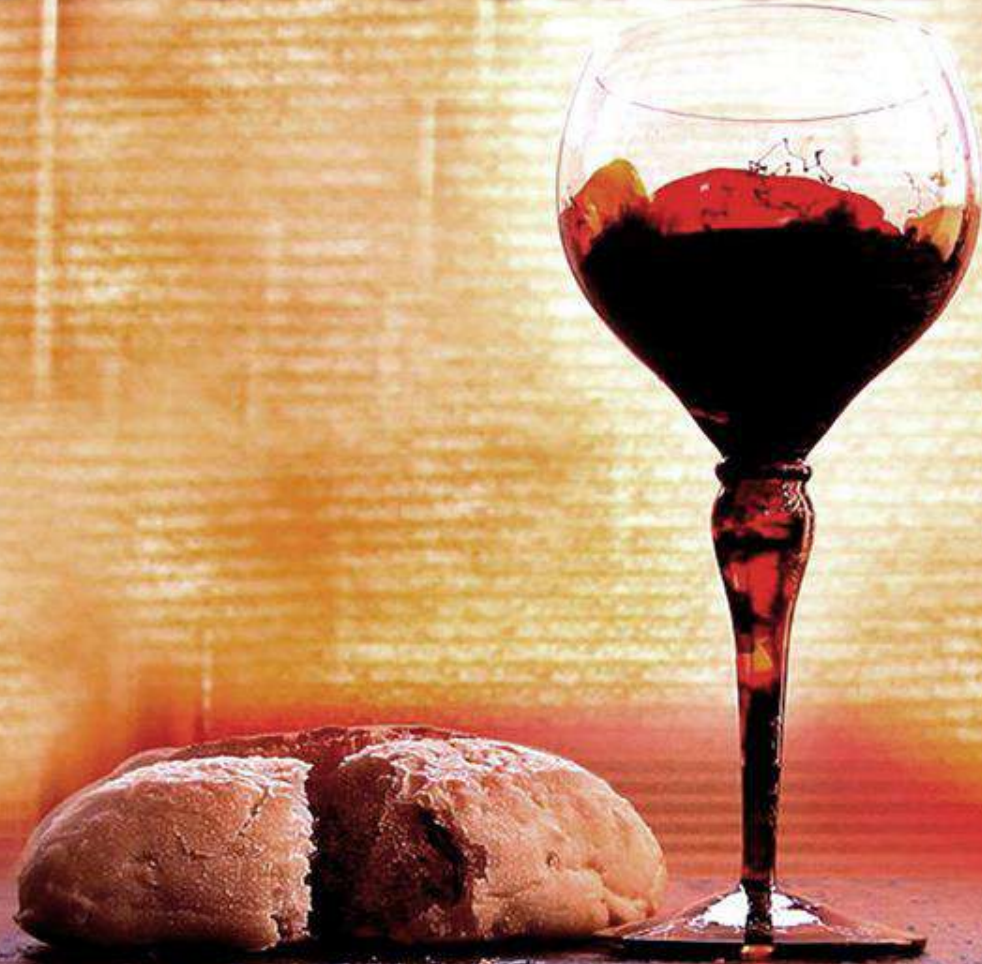
CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

Open our hearts to receive each other
in ways that extend Your loving presence.
Find joy through our unity, O Christ.
Find hope through our cooperation, O Spirit.
Find beauty through our interconnectedness with all,
Great Triune God,
as we each seek to live according to Your will.

Amen.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER



THE BODY, THE BLOOD.



Victory in Jesus

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Words: Eugene M. Bartlett, 1939

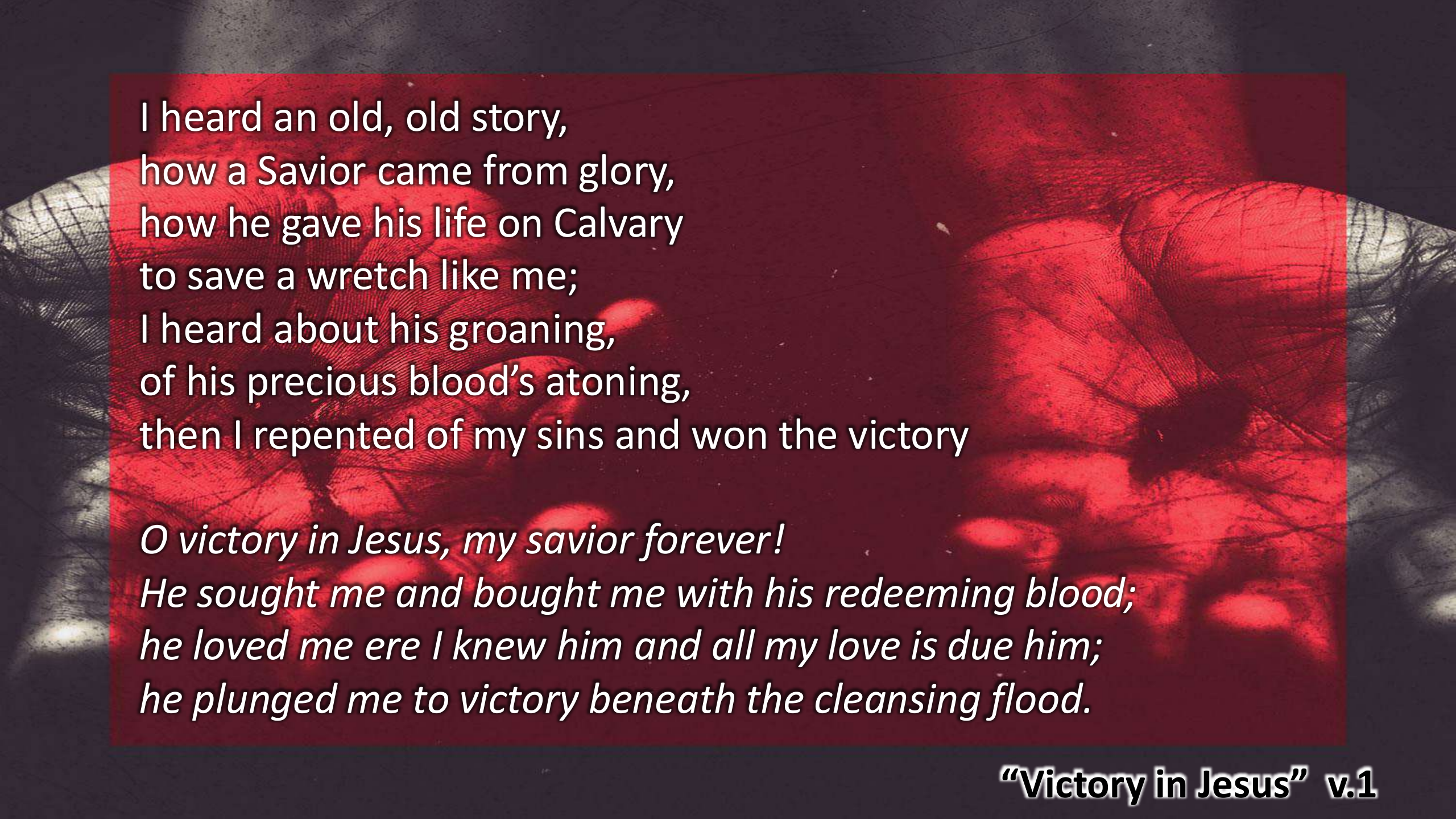
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Tune: HATFORD

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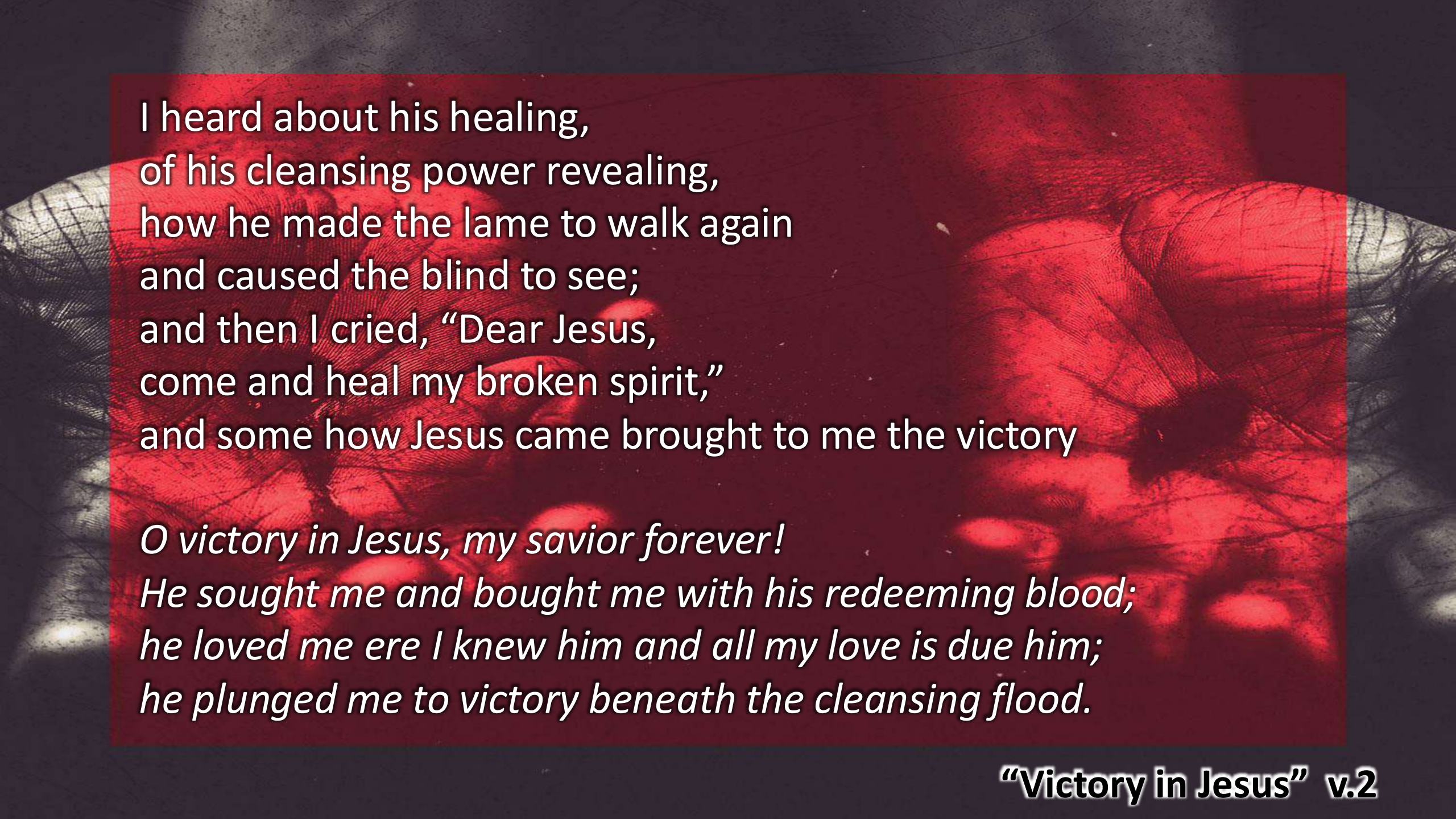
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A close-up photograph of a hand, likely a palm, with a strong red overlay. The red is semi-transparent, revealing the skin's texture and the lines of the hand. The background is dark and textured, possibly a wall or a piece of fabric. The overall mood is solemn and powerful, consistent with the religious text.

I heard an old, old story,
how a Savior came from glory,
how he gave his life on Calvary
to save a wretch like me;
I heard about his groaning,
of his precious blood's atoning,
then I repented of my sins and won the victory

O victory in Jesus, my savior forever!

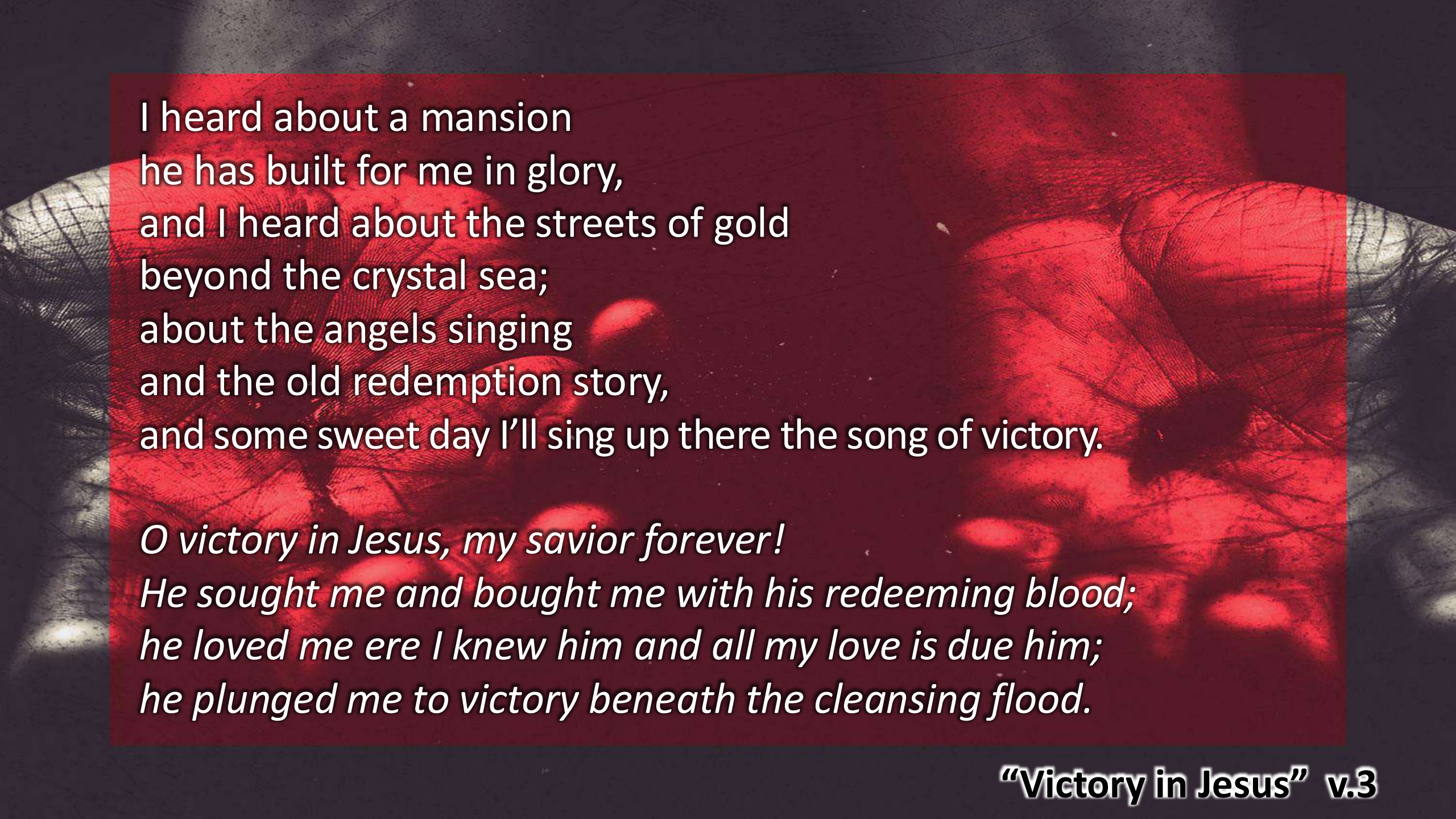
*He sought me and bought me with his redeeming blood;
he loved me ere I knew him and all my love is due him;
he plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.*

A close-up photograph of a hand, likely a palm, with a strong red color overlay. The texture of the skin is visible, and the lighting creates a dramatic, high-contrast effect. The hand is positioned in the center-right of the frame, with fingers slightly curled.

I heard about his healing,
of his cleansing power revealing,
how he made the lame to walk again
and caused the blind to see;
and then I cried, "Dear Jesus,
come and heal my broken spirit,"
and some how Jesus came brought to me the victory

O victory in Jesus, my savior forever!

*He sought me and bought me with his redeeming blood;
he loved me ere I knew him and all my love is due him;
he plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.*

A close-up photograph of a hand, likely a clenched fist, with a strong red color overlay. The background is dark and textured, possibly a wall or a similar surface. The red overlay is semi-transparent, allowing some of the underlying texture to be seen. The hand is positioned in the center-right of the frame, with fingers curled and thumb tucked in.

I heard about a mansion
he has built for me in glory,
and I heard about the streets of gold
beyond the crystal sea;
about the angels singing
and the old redemption story,
and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory.

*O victory in Jesus, my savior forever!
He sought me and bought me with his redeeming blood;
he loved me ere I knew him and all my love is due him;
he plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.*



+BENEDICTION

goodbye.

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