

“TAKE 10”- Worship While Away! (Sunday, August 18, 2019)

Share: God is working in the world, with flames of justice and waters of mercy.
Christ is calling in the world, with whispers of love and cries of compassion
The Holy Spirit is moving in the world, joining our hearts, minds and
voices, with acts of service and songs of praise.
Mindful of the gifts we receive and confident of the sustenance the Lord
provides, we worship God.

Read these words from a hymn today

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

*Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all thy quickening powers;
Kindle a flame of sacred love, in these cold hearts of ours.*

*Dear Lord! and shall we ever live, at this poor dying rate?
Our love so faint, so cold to thee, and thine to us so great?*

*Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all thy quickening powers
Come, shed abroad a Savior's love, and that shall kindle ours.*

Read this scripture from worship:

Romans 5:1-11 (The Message)

5 Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Talk together:

- How easy is it to simply pour just a little of something?
- How is God's love poured out?

- What is the proof of God's love?
- What do we boast about?
- How do we tell "the story of Jesus and his love?" How do we live "the story?"

Pray together:

Lord, we know that you love us by sowing mercy and grace in our lives and in the world. Help us to bear today the good fruit of justice, kindness, and compassion as we choose love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bless one another: "God's grace is for you, God's love is upon you, God's call is within you. Be kind to yourself and others this week as a child of God."

Resources Used: *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year C*
Glory to God, The Presbyterian Hymnal
Disciplines, A Book of Daily Devotions, The Upper Room