



the open door ~ praise & worship service
...in a religion born in a barn, an open door goes without saying

01.04.17 • 7:00 pm

welcome & announcements

song "Open the Eyes of My Heart, LORD"

song "Your Unfailing Love"

bible reading "Hebrews 2:10-18" The Voice (VOICE)

¹⁰It only makes sense that God,
by whom and for whom everything exists,
would choose to bring many of us to His side
by using suffering to perfect Jesus,
the founder of our faith,
the pioneer of our salvation.

¹¹*As I will show you,*
it's important that the One who brings us to God
and those who are brought to God become one,
since we are all from one Father.
This is why Jesus was not ashamed to call us His family,

¹²saying, *in the words of the psalmist,*

I will speak Your Name to My brothers and sisters
when I praise You in the midst of the community.^[a]

¹³And *in the words of Isaiah,*

I will wait for the Eternal One.^[b]

And again,

Look, here I am with the children God has given Me.^[c]

¹⁴Since we, the children, are all creatures of flesh and blood,

Jesus took on flesh and blood,
so that by dying He could destroy the one
who held power over death—the devil—
¹⁵ and destroy the fear of death that has always held people captive.

¹⁶ So notice—

His concern here is not for the welfare of the heavenly messengers,
but for the children of Abraham.

¹⁷ He had to become as human as His sisters and brothers

so that when the time came,

He could become a merciful and faithful high priest of God,
called to reconcile a sinful people.

¹⁸ Since He has also been tested by suffering,

He can help us when we are tested.

children's moment

"Revolutionary"

reflection

presentation of the offerings

holy communion

anthem

"Three Little Birds"

dance party with Jesus

"I am Free"

benediction & passing the peace

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