

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

09.06.17 • 7:00 pm

welcome & announcements

song "come, now is the time to worship"

song "amazing love"

gospel reading matthew 16:21-28 [MSG]

²¹⁻²² then Jesus made it clear to his disciples that it was now necessary for him to go to jerusalem, submit to an ordeal of suffering at the hands of the religious leaders, be killed, and then on the third day be raised up alive. peter took him in hand, protesting, "impossible, Master! that can never be!"

²³ but Jesus didn't swerve. "peter, get out of my way. satan, get lost. you have no idea how God works."

²⁴⁻²⁶ then Jesus went to work on his disciples. "anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. you're not in the driver's seat; *I* am. don't run from suffering; embrace it. follow me and I'll show you how. self-help is no help at all. self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to finding yourself, your true self. what kind of deal is it to get everything you want but lose yourself? what could you ever trade your soul for?

²⁷⁻²⁸ "don't be in such a hurry to go into business for yourself. before you know it the Son of Man will arrive with all the splendor of his Father, accompanied by an army of angels. you'll get everything you have coming to you, a personal gift. this isn't pie in the sky by and by. some of you standing here are going to see it take place, see the Son of Man in kingdom glory."

the Word of God to the people of God! thanks be to God!

message on the steps
listening for God's message

anthem

"voice of truth" casting crowns

prayers of the people

presentation of the offerings

holy communion

song "hosanna"

*everybody praise the Lord

benediction & passing the peace

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