

“TAKE 10” - Worship While Away! (Sunday, Nov 27, 2022)

Share

We come from a world of darkness

Into Christ’s world of light.

One: We come from a world of weariness

Into God’s strength and hope.

We come from a slumbering world.

Strengthened by the Spirit, we come to awaken our souls and watch for the coming of Christ.

Read these words from a song.....*I Rejoice When I Heard Them Say*

I rejoiced when I heard them say: “Let us go to the house of God.”

And now our feet are standing in your gates, O Jerusalem!

[Refrain] Shalom, shalom, the peace of God be here.

Shalom, Shalom, God’s justice be ever near.

Like a temple of unity is the city, Jerusalem.

It is there all tribes will gather, all the tribes of the house of God. [Refrain]

It is faithful to Israel’s law, there to praise the name of God.

All the judgement seats of David were set down in Jerusalem. [Refrain]

For the peace of all nations pray: for God’s peace within your homes.

May God’s lasting peace surround us; may it dwell in Jerusalem. [Refrain]

For the love of my friends and kin I will bless you with signs of peace.

For the love of God’s own people I will labor and pray for you.

Read this scripture from worship..... Matthew 24:36-4, NRSV

³⁶ “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son,^[h] but only the Father. ³⁷ For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰ Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴² Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day^[i] your Lord is coming. ⁴³ But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be

broken into. ⁴⁴ Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Talk Together:

- What are times that you have been in waiting times?
 - When do those times feel like peace? Like anxiety?
- Where do you find God in waiting?
- How are you called to seek peace in God's kingdom in the here and now?

Pray together:

In this Advent of expectation
draw us together in unity,
that our praise and worship
might echo in these walls
and also through our lives.

In this Advent of expectation
draw us together in mission,
that the hope within
might be the song we sing,
and the melody of our lives.

In this Advent of expectation
draw us together in service,
that the path we follow
might lead us from a stable
to a glimpse of eternity.

Bless One Another:

Shalom, shalom, the peace of God be here.

Resources Used:

Glory to God, The Presbyterian Hymnal, *Faith and Worship* "Prayers for Advent"