# THE MESSAGE

A Tested Faith:

Life Lessons from Jesus'

Time in the Wilderness

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# **MESSAGE NOTES**

P2 Exodus 17:7 (NLT) - Moses named the place Massah (which means "test") and Meribah Tom Hughes (which means "arguing") because the people of Israel argued with Moses and tested the Lord by saying, "Is the Lord here with us or not?" 1. Fight the bully by believing

> Matthew 4:11 (NLT) - Then the devil went away, and angels came and took care of Jesus.

Hebrews 1:14 (NLT) - Therefore, angels are only servants—spirits sent to care for people who will inherit salvation.

Ephesians 6:10-17 (NLT) - <sup>10</sup>A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. "Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we are not fighting against fleshand-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.

<sup>13</sup>Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness. <sup>15</sup>For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared. <sup>16</sup>In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fierv arrows of the devil. <sup>17</sup>Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

1 Corinthians 1:30-31 (NLT) - <sup>30</sup>God has united vou with Christ Jesus. For our benefit God made him to be wisdom itself. Christ made us right with God; he made us pure and holy, and he freed us from sin. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as the Scriptures say, "If you want to boast, boast only about the Lord."

Psalm 139:23-24 (NIV) - 23 Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.

<sup>24</sup>See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

# INFORMATION



**Village Christian** 

Wi-Fi Access:

**Network: VCS Services** 

Password: church123





#### Financial Update

2021 General Budget: \$7,800,000.00

YTD 01.31.21 - Requirement: \$750.000.00

YTD 01.31.21 - Offering: \$468,970.70

January Kingdom Offering: \$42.068.28 YTD Kingdom Offering: \$42,068.28

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# WELCOME

March 13, 2021

Worship God Become part of His Family Extend His Kingdom 2. Fight the bully by keeping \_\_\_\_\_ at the of your . 3. Fight the bully by \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ against \_\_\_\_\_. 4. Fight the bully with \_\_\_\_\_ and God's word. Matthew 4:5-7 (NLT) - <sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city, Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, <sup>6</sup> and said, "If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say, 'He will order his angels to protect you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone." <sup>7</sup>Jesus responded, "The Scriptures also say, 'You must not test the Lord your God.'"

James 4:7 (NLT) - So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

Matthew 3:16-17 (NLT) - <sup>16</sup>After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and settling on him. <sup>17</sup>And a voice from heaven said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy."

**Deuteronomy 6:16 (NLT)** - You must not test the Lord your God as you did when you complained at Massah.



# **WORSHIP SONG LYRICS**

#### Now Is The Time

There is a time, there is a place For everything under heaven And as we gather now in this place It's time to celebrate

His miracles, His power, His love The gift of this brand new day It's time to stand up and passionately Give our deepest praise

#### Chorus

We lift our hands, we lift our voice With thanks we shout for joy We lay our burdens down because

Now is the time to give Him thanks Now is the time to celebrate Now is the time to give Him praise

#### **Ladies Part**

O we will, Rejoice and be glad O we will, Sing Hallelujah

## Amen

#### Verse 1

To the way You give Your love To the way You give Your joy To the way give Your perfect peace Amen

To the way You show Your grace To the way You've set me free To the way Your blood, it cleanses me, amen

## Chorus

Amen, amen, amen, amen

#### Verse 2

To the way You gave Your life To the way You rose again To the way Your Spirit lives in me Amen

To the way You hold me close To the way You never leave To the way someday You'll come back for me, Amen

## Bridge

I Thank You Lord for this moment I Thank You Lord for life and strength I thank You now for brand new mercies and grace That meet me every single morning when I

wake

#### Forever

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King His love endures forever For He is good, He is above all things His love endures forever Sing praise, sing praise

With a mighty hand and an outstretched arm His love endures forever For the life that's been reborn His love endures forever

Sing praise, sing praise Sing praise, sing praise

## Chorus

Forever God is faithful Forever God is strong Forever God is with us Forever, forever

From the rising to the setting sun His love endures forever By the grace of God We will carry on His love endures forever

## Bridge

His love endures forever (repeat)

## Nearer

## Verse 1

There is a place, a place that's safe Here in Your presence Lord There is a place where fears fade away Here in Your presence Lord

#### Chorus

So we draw nearer, nearer Lord, nearer to Your throne

#### Verse 2

There is a place, a place of hope Here in Your presence Lord Where sorrows, they fade And dreams are re-made Here in Your presence Lord

## Verse 3

There is a place, a place of grace Here in Your presence Lord Where sin and all shame They are taken away Here in Your presence Lord

#### Vamp

Closer to where You are Closer to where You are Closer to where You are, oh God

Closer to where You live Closer to where You dwell Closer to Where Your are, oh God

Closer to where You heal Closer to where You speak Closer to where You are, oh God

Closer to where You move Closer to where Your love is Closer to where You are, oh God

# **Goodness Of God**

I love You Lord Oh Your mercy never fails me All my days I've been held in Your hands From the moment that I wake up Until I lay my head I will sing of the goodness of God

# Chorus 1

All my life You have been faithful All my life You have been so so good With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice You have led me through the fire In darkest night You are close like no other I've known You as a father I've known You as a friend I have lived in the goodness of God

#### Bridge

Your goodness is running after It's running after me Your goodness is running after It's running after me With my life laid down I'm surrendered now I give You everything Your goodness is running after It's running after me

#### Lord Help Me Follow

#### Verse

Lord help me follow, follow, follow Lord help me follow wherever You lead

Lord help me trust You, trust You, trust You Lord help me trust You wherever You lead

## Bridge

To Your word, to Your will, to Your way I will go, I will walk this road Though many are turning away in this day I will stay

No turning back, I will take up my cross I will give You my all I will follow You, help me follow You

## Verse

Lord help me praise You, praise You, praise You Lord help me praise You wherever You lead

Lord help me love You, love You, love You Lord help me love You wherever You lead

## Tag

Wherever, wherever, wherever You lead Wherever, wherever, wherever You lead

Thank you for joining us today and see you next Saturday, March 20th at 5pm!