## **CHURCH AT HOME: April 26, 2020**

## **Hello Orchard Hill Church Family!**

It's week six of worshipping from home! Being apart is a reminder of the gift of community and what a blessing it is to be called the family of God. Hopefully we will all be together soon, but until then enjoy worshipping from the comfort of your home and this new way of approaching God on this sabbath day. Fill your home with His praises and unchanging Word and let the God of the universe meet you right there where you are.

Below we have put together a suggestion for making the most out of this new worship experience:

## 8:30 AM – Eat: Have breakfast together or alone with the Lord!

- While eating breakfast, discuss/consider the importance of worshipping God. Whether it is in a large group or by yourself, in a house or in a church, worship is important to God.
- 1) Ask: Define PRAISE. Let everyone respond.
- **2) Read:** Psalm 150:1-6 This Psalm uses the Hebrew word *hālal* which means praise. Count how many times this word is found in these six verses and look for the what, where, why, how and who we praise.
  - ❖ What? (verse 1a) praise
  - ❖ Where? (verse 1b) -- in his holy place, heavens
  - ❖ Why? (verse 2) -- for acts of power, for surpassing greatness
  - ❖ How? (verse 3-5) -- with instruments and dance
  - Who? (verse 6a) -- everyone that has breath

**9:15 AM Join us for a time of fellowship in a virtual lobby on Zoom**. For instructions on how to join, go to orchardhill.org and follow the worship tab to "Virtual Lobby", or use this link (<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86908856728">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86908856728</a>)

9:55 AM Get ready to watch the live stream service on the "Orchard Hill Church" Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/ohcgr/)

## 10:45 AM – Reflect: Talk together about what was presented in the message.

Why does Jesus want to return to Earth? How will believers feel at that time? If you are alive, how will you feel?

Read John 14:1-4 What do these words of Jesus say about our eternity? How should the hope of Jesus returning affect our daily lives? How much does the resurrection shape your life? Is there someone who needs you to encourage them with the message of our eternal hope? Based on 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4:18 how do you think Paul would feel about movies like the *Left Behind* Series that are intended to scare people into a commitment to Jesus?

11:00 AM - Make plans: How can/will we serve God this week? With who?

11:05 AM – Pray Together: Use the ACTS acronym (Adoration, confession, thanksgiving, supplication) This acronym helps us to praise God, confess our sins and ask for His forgiveness, thank God for the blessings He gives us, and ask Him for what we desire and need. Pray your way through the acronym and encourage everyone present to contribute to each section.

Sunday Afternoon: Seize the Day!

Read, watch or listen to something that encourages you in your faith!