#### **Discovery Service Order and Message Outline**



WELCOME TO CEC	Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER	Who breaks the power (This is amazing grace)
	Salvation belongs to our God

PRAYER	_
SINGING TOGETHER	King of kings, majesty
UPDATES	Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER	Holy Spirit living breath of God
	Mark 14:27-42 (Church Bible page 1072)
MESSAGE	Taught by Pastor Phill
	Grace



# Restored ~10 How God restores the joy of salvation. Mark 14:27-42

'Restore us, O Lord, and bring us back to You again. Give us back the joys we once had.' Lamentations 5:21 NLT

## Four common causes of why people fall away from the Lord:

There is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.'

Romans 8:1 NLT

## Why God doesn't reject believers when we sin:

#### 1. Because His love is

'God's compassion never ends. It is only His mercies that have kept us from complete destruction.' Lamentations 3:22 LB

# 2. Because my salvation isn't based on my

'It does not depend on human desire or effort but on God's mercy.' Romans 9:16 NIV

'He saved us, not because of the good things we did, but because of His mercy.' Titus 3:5 NLT

## 3. Because Jesus has already taken my

'When Jesus served as a sacrifice for our sins, He solved the sin problem for God, not only ours, but the whole world's.' 1 John 2:2 MSG

## 4. Because Jesus understands my human

'He understands our weaknesses, for He faced all of the same temptations we do, yet He did not sin.' Hebrews 4:15 NLT

### 5. Because God doesn't hold on to

talk it

'God will not constantly accuse us, nor remain angry forever. He has not punished us for all our sins, nor does He deal with us as we deserve. He is like a father to His children, tender and compassionate to those who fear Him.' Psalm 103:9-13 NLT

'Come back to Me, you unfaithful children, and I will forgive you for being unfaithful.' Jeremiah 3:22 NCV

'If you return to Me, I will restore you so you can continue to serve Me.' Jeremiah 15:19 NLT

'No matter how deep the stain of your sins, I can take it out and make you as clean as freshly fallen snow.' Isaiah 1:18 LB

'With great compassion I will take you back.' Isaiah 54:7 LB

'Satan has asked to sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.' Luke 22:32 NIV

'Go tell His disciples and Peter.' Mark 16:7 NIV

'Restore to me again the joy of Your salvation.' Psalm 51:12 NLT

#### Personal evaluation:

- Was there ever a time in your life when you were closer to Christ than you are right now? If so, what happened?
- Have you allowed slippage? Why? What got in the way? A career? A relationship? A hobby?
- Has your relationship to Christ gone stale? Are you just going through the motions? Has duty replaced delight?
- Have you stopped caring about the salvation of people around you?
   When was the last time you shared a positive word about Christ with a seeker?
- Have you been ashamed of your relationship to Christ?
- What is it that you know God wants you to do that you've been putting off? Being baptized? Joining the family here at Cowplain church?
- What is it that you used to do but you slacked off on? Reading your Bible? Tithing? Giving? Praying?

There are no 'Talk it over' discussion questions as all our Life Groups are on a break over the summer.



Watch and listen to the message again, or an archived message by going to www.youtube.com/cowplainchurch.