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Where The Spirit Of The Lord Is* Chris Kuti, Dameon Aranda, Dustin Smith, Kyle O'Neal

Do what only You can do With one word the mountains move When You breathe the dead arise And the bones come back to life There is power in this room

Where the Spirit of the Lord is there's life Where the Spirit of the Lord is there's freedom Like a river running wild Like a never-ending fire Where the Spirit of the Lord is

It's Your name that tears downs walls And every enemy will fall So we will stand and we will fight That every wrong would be made right There is power in this room

You're moving through our cities Your Spirit fills our streets We're shouting to the nations Your love has set us free

Overcome[†]

Jon Egan

Seated above enthroned in the Father's love Destined to die poured out for all mankind God's only Son perfect and spotless One He never sinned but suffered as if He did

All authority Every victory is Yours (repeat)

Saviour worthy of honour and glory Worthy of all our praise For You overcame Jesus awesome in power forever Awesome and great is Your Name For You overcame

Power in hand speaking the Father's plan You're sending us out, light in this broken land We will overcome By the blood of the Lamb And the word of our testimony Everyone overcome

Holiness Unto the Lord Lelia N. Morris; arr. Brannon Hancock

"Called unto holiness," Church of our God, Purchase of Jesus, redeemed by His blood; Called from the world and its idols to flee, Called from the bondage of sin to be free.

"Called unto holiness," praise His dear name! This blessed secret to faith now made plain, Not our own righteousness, but Christ within, Living and reigning and saving from sin.

Refrain: Our watchword and song, is "Holiness unto the Lord" As we're marching along, "Holiness unto the Lord" We will sing it, shout it, loud and long, "Holiness unto the Lord," now and forevermore.

"Called unto holiness," Bride of the Lamb, Waiting the Bridegroom's returning again; Lift up your heads, for the day draweth near When in His beauty the King shall appear. [Refrain]

God's Holy Spirit abiding within, Living and reigning and saving from sin (repeat) [Refrain]



James 4 (NRSV)

13 Come now, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a town and spend a year there, doing business and making money.' 14 Yet you do not even know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for

a little while and then vanishes. 15 Instead you ought to say, 'If the Lord wishes, we will live and do this or that.' 16 As it is, you boast in your arrogance; all such boasting is evil. 17 Anyone, then, who knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, commits sin.

Ephesians 5 (NRSV)

1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, 2 and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

14b Therefore it says, 'Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.'

15 Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, 16 making the most of the time, because the days are evil (*ponéros*). 17 So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit...

Giving Time (James 4; Ephesians 5)

- A generous life
 - Week one: giving thanks, the pre-requisite
 - Last week: giving love, the *sine qua non*
 - This week: giving time
 - Carpe diem (Dead Poets Society)
- James reminds us: how we spend our time matters
- Ephesians 5
 - Theologically
 - The church is the body of Christ, the fullness of him who fills all in all
 - The church's work is redemptive
 - "redeeming the time because the days are evil"
 - redeem: to purchase, rescue, ransom
 - ponéros: evil, painful, toilsome, (fallen)
 - We are "created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life" (Eph. 2:10)
 - BUT works do not save us
 - We are not saved because we do good works, but we do good works because we're saved

- Practically
 - John Wesley's "On Redeeming the Time"
 - "Don't sleep too much"
 - Wesley and time management
 - "Do good. Do all the good thou canst."

• Ways to give time

- Ours is a church that redeems the time
 - The transformative power of sacrifice

Doxology

Thomas Ken Praise God from Whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

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