THE TRUTH IN SONG

Psalm 95:1 O come, let us sing for joy to the Lord, let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.

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Hi there!

Welcome to Barah Ministries...a Christian Church based in Mesa, AZ...my name is Pastor Rory Clark.

Often, we hear the truth of the Word of God expressed by a Pastor as he teaches it. Songs also do a great job of communicating the truth of the Word of God. Here at Barah Ministries, we are blessed to have one of the best songwriters, music producers and singers of music, all wrapped up in a single package. Her name is June Murphy...and her songs are amazing at communicating the truth of the Word of God. So for the next several lesson we are going to hear the truth of the Word of God communicated by June in song. Today's song is...

TODAY'S SONG I Stand Amazed at Grace

God has placed all of His creatures into a sphere of grace. If you'd like to form a mental picture of this sphere, think of the geodesic dome at Disney World, pictured here.

GEODESIC DOME PICTURE

Imagine yourself standing right in the middle of the dome, completely surrounded by the Lord's forgiveness of all your mistakes...surrounded by His unconditional love...and surrounded by His graciousness...a grace that allows you to continue to

make mistakes until you learn. Romans, Chapter 5, Verses 1 and 2 describe this state...

Romans 5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we believers in Christ have peace with God the Father through our Lord Jesus Christ...

Romans 5:2 ... through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this sphere of grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God.

Once you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation, God the Father declares you as absolutely righteous in His sight, and He therefore holds nothing against you, and He begins to nurture you in His sphere of amazing grace. It's a benefit you get by believing in His Son.

MUSIC AND REFLECTION

Enjoy the Singing of The Lord's Praises

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE June Murphy

Let's listen to June Murphy sing about this "amazing grace" in the song I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE.

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, the Life…" "No one comes to the Father but by Me… "I've done all the work that needs to be done" "On the Cross at Calvary"

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

"To afford salvation for everyone in the world" "All one must do is simply believe" "By faith alone, by grace alone..."

"You can have the gift of life eternally" I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

And I stand amazed at grace For it's the power of God that saves And I stand amazed at grace No work of mine could save me from the grave

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

The Cross has nullified the works of man We can do nothing to add to the Father's plan I stand amazed...I stand amazed at grace

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

I could never leave the shadow of the Cross For all my blessings stem from what Christ has done I am seated at the right hand of the Father in Him I've been crucified, buried, and risen with the Son

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

So that I might become a friend of God And be a witness to the angels looking on And that my love relationship with the Father Might become a reciprocal one

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

And I stand amazed at grace For it's the power of God that saves And I stand amazed at grace No work of mine could save me from the grave

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

No one's kept from Heaven

Because of the sins they've done But only by their choice alone Of not believing in the Son

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

So once you have believed in Christ By faith and grace alone Your salvation can't be lost No one can snatch you from the hands Of the Father and the Son

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE

I stand amazed I stand amazed I stand amazed at grace

I STAND AMAZED AT GRACE..

I stand amazed I stand amazed I stand amazed at grace

Psalm 95, Verse 1 says...

Psalm 95:1 O come, let us sing for joy to the Lord, let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.

June certainly does a great job of capturing the essence of grace in her songs. Believers in Christ stand in the sphere of an absolutely amazing grace...meaning God allots to His creatures "a number of days" in which we can grow in the knowledge of the God who created us. And we dedicate the closing moments of our lesson today to anyone watching or listening that does not have a relationship with God, the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Remember this...John, Chapter 3, Verse 36 says...

John 3:36

He who believes in the Son (the Lord Jesus Christ) has eternal life (the resurrection life, right at that moment); but he who does not obey the command to believe in the Son will not see the resurrection life, but instead the wrath of God the Father (the Lake of Fire) abides on him."

Right now, you can tell God the Father that you believe in His Son, and that's the moment of eternal life for you. It's the best, and most important decision you can make in your lifetime. Five simple words get you to heaven..."Father, I believe in Christ." For a thief being crucified next to Jesus, it was a nine word request...Luke, Chapter 23, Verses 42 and 43...

Luke 23:42-43 And the repentant thief was saying, "Jesus, remember me when You come in Your kingdom!"// And Jesus said to him, "Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise."

Don't wait! Make the best decision of your life right now. You won't ever regret believing in the Lord Jesus Christ for eternal life...and you'll never be bothered that you're taking advantage of His amazing grace.

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Keep on singing. I'm Pastor Rory Clark.

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