



# LAST WORDS *from the* CROSS



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## LITURGY & PRAYERS FOR WORSHIP

### CALL TO WORSHIP

“Come to me, all you that are weary  
and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;  
for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.”

FROM: MATTHEW 11:28-29, COVENANT BOOK OF WORSHIP

### A LENTEN PRAYER

Amazing Creator of ourselves and our world, we thank you that you reveal yourself in the events of human history. We thank you that you have shown yourself in Christ Jesus, who shared our human life, walking the path of obedience to the cross. May we also die to ourselves and live for the world, through the empowerment of your Spirit. Amen.

FROM: COVENANT BOOK OF WORSHIP

## A CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Thank you God that you make all things new. Thank you for all that you've allowed into our lives, the good along with the hard things, which have reminded us how much we need you and rely on your presence filling us every single day.

We pray for your Spirit to lead us each step of this new reality. We ask that you will guide our decisions and turn our heart to deeply desire you above all else.

Shine your light in us, through us, over us. May we make a difference in this world for your glory and purposes. Set your way before us. May we reflect your peace and hope to a world that so desperately needs your presence and healing.

To you be glory and honour, forever.

In Jesus' name,  
Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## CONCLUDING PRAYER

Jesus, our only Saviour, you renounced the way of ease for the way of truth and life. Draw us to seek God's kingdom whatever the cost, for the sake of the true treasure in heaven. Amen.

BY: COVENANT BOOK OF WORSHIP

## BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace, now and forever. Amen.

***God loves you, and so do I!***

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

What is something you noticed for the first time?

What questions did you have?

Was there anything that bothered you?

What did you learn about loving God?

What did you learn about loving others?

Have you ever been really thirsty? When? Why? What did it feel like?

Have you ever experienced this other thirst that we hear about...thirst for justice and righteousness? What does that mean? For Jesus? For Emmanuel Covenant Church? For you?