Guidance notes for this PowerPoint



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- Hymns:
 - Placeholder slides for Hymns are at Slides 20, 69 and 90
 - Slides containing full Hymn lyrics are at the end of this PowerPoint (from Slide 103).

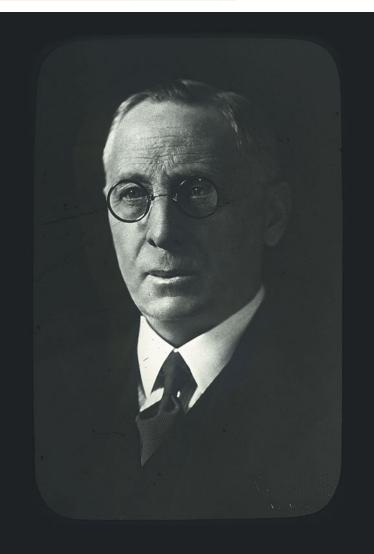
 These can be moved into the Service at the above placeholders depending on your hymn selections.
- Bible Readings: The service contains a number of suggested Bible Readings:
 - Psalm 23:1-6 The Lord is my Shepherd (Slides 22-25)
 - Luke 24:13-35 The Walk to Emmaus (Slides 26-39)
 - Romans 12:9-15 Rejoice in Hope, Persevere in Prayer (Slides 40-43)
 - Isaiah 40:27-31 The Lord Shall Renew Their Strength (Slides 44-48)
 - Matthew 5:1-6 The Beatitudes (Slides 49-52)
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:9-11 Encourage One Another (Slides 53-55)

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Reverend John Flynn

A true companion to the people of the Outback



Still the welcome visitor, the friend, the counsellor, the advocate for all who live and work in remote Australia



"If you start something worthwhile, nothing can stop it." - Rev John Flynn

- **1907** First nurse, Sister E.A. Main, based at Oodnadatta
- **1911** John Flynn ordained as a minister of the Presbyterian Church
- 1912 Rev John Flynn founded the Australian Inland Mission (AIM), which later became Frontier Services

- **1913** First active Bush Chaplain based in Pine Creek and Oodnadatta
- 1926 First successful wireless communication between Alice Springs and Hermannsburg
- 1929 First pedal wireless radio installed
- 1930 First Frontier News published

- 1939 Royal Flying Doctor Service established as a separate organisation
- **1951** School of the Air is born, Alice Springs
- 1951 All AlM nursing homes registered as hospitals
- 1951 Rev John Flynn's death; Fred McKay

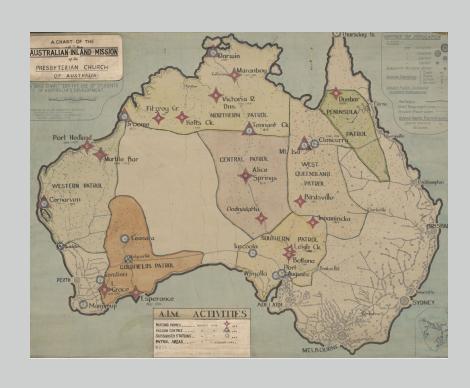
- 1956 John Flynn Memorial Church opens, Alice Springs
- 1977 Church union, forming the Uniting Church in Australia
- **1980** Name change from Australian Inland Mission to Frontier Services

- 1994 John Flynn first featured on the polymer \$20 banknote
- **2002** The John Flynn Foundation established
- 2024 Bush Chaplains and Outback Links volunteers continue the work of Rev John Flynn, providing a "mantle of safety" to our friends in the bush

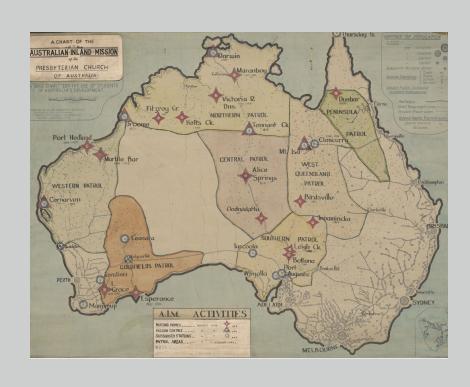


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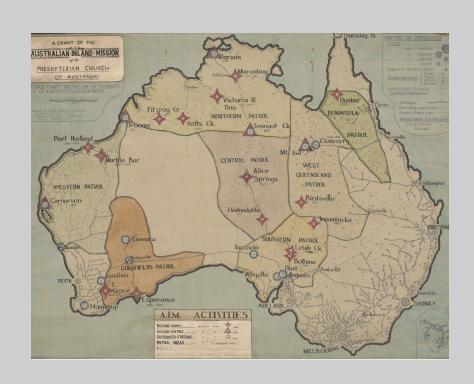
Notes: Flynn of the Inland
by Everald Compton



Flynn happily recalled one pleasant Sunday when he attended a morning service here as one of the congregation.

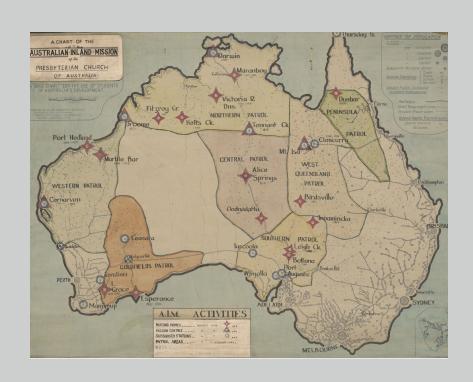


As he walked outside at the conclusion of worship, not wearing his clerical collar, an elderly woman approached him.



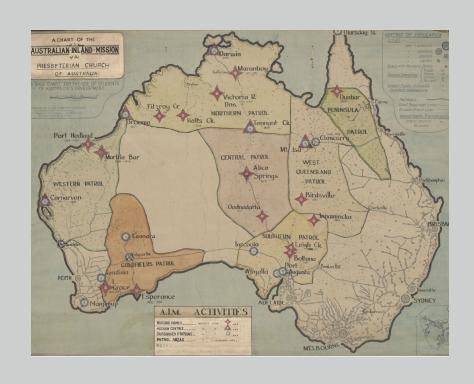
She was totally unaware of who he was.

"My friends tell me that you are a clergyman, sir," the woman said.

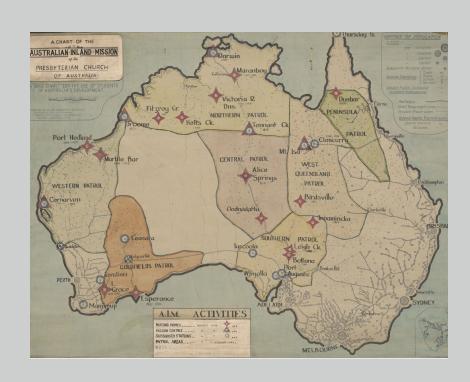


"Yes, I am," Flynn replied politely.

"And where is your congregation located?" she asked.

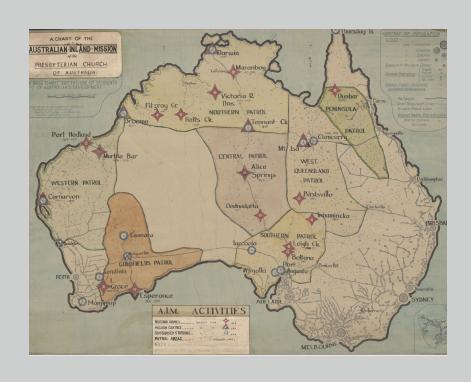


Flynn waved his arms towards the horizon. "Out there where the sun goes down," he said. "So, it is a country parish. Is it a large one?"

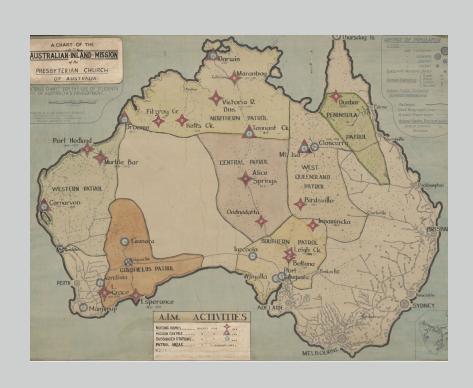


"Actually, it is the largest in Australia.

It covers about 80% of the continent."

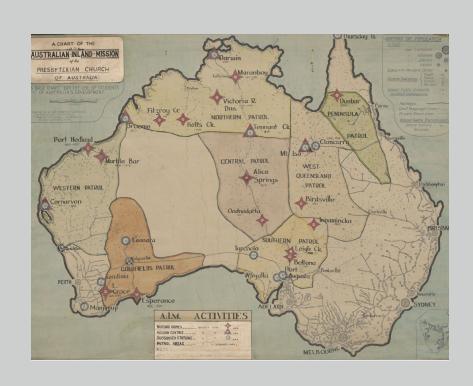


Her eyes widened in amazement, so he gave her the brief version of the Australian Inland Mission's work.

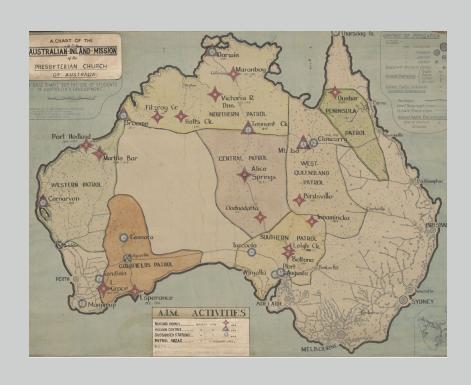


"Oh, my goodness me, you are Flynn of the Inland," she stammered.

"Actually, I am just John Flynn, a bush parson."



"I really don't know what to say, Mr Flynn. I find it hard to comprehend that one man could have dreamed this vision, let alone achieved it."



"It has not been too difficult. I have had many wonderful helpers."



Suggested Bible Readings

According to The Bushman's Companion, Rev John Flynn's suggested readings:

- Psalm 23:1-6 The Lord is my Shepherd
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Bible Reading

Psalm 23:1-6
The Lord is my Shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths For his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; For you are with me;

Your rod and your staff-They comfort me. You prepare a table before me In the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all The days of my life, And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord My whole life long.

Bible Reading

Luke 24:13-35
The Walk to Emmaus

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened.

While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?"

They stood still, looking sad.

Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?"

He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.

But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.

Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive.

Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him."

Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?"

Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on.

But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over."

So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

Then their eyes were opened, and they recognised him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?"

That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together.

They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!"

Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Bible Reading

Romans 12:9-15 Rejoice in Hope, Persevere in Prayer Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.

Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.

Bible Reading

Isaiah 40:27-31 The Lord Shall Renew Their Strength

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;

but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Bible Reading

Matthew 5:1-6
The Beatitudes

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him.

Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Bible Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:9-11 Encourage One Another

For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him.

Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.





Prayer of Confession

O God, our Heavenly Father, who hast bound us together as one family and home, accept our thanks for Thy love and care.





Thou hast guarded us through the days and watched over us through the nights.





Thou hast granted us health and joy, and food and clothing, and the precious gifts of sight and hearing, and speech and knowledge.





Thou hast surrounded us with friends, and the best and truest friendship of our parents' love, and constant defense and help.





Above all, Thou hast given us Thy greatest gift, of Jesus Christ Thy son, who loved us, and gave Himself for us.





We confess to Thee our sin and faults; our wrong thoughts our selfish feelings; our false or cruel or evil words;





all the untrue things we have done; and all the right things we have left undone.





Forgive us, dear Heavenly Father, we beseech Thee who art all-holy and pure.





Send, also, into our hearts love to Jesus Christ, and the help of Thy Holy Spirit; to give us right thoughts, and to make our wills strong, and true, and pure, to do good.





Save us from falling into temptation. Let us remember that we have been baptised into Thy holy name,





and have borne upon our brows the sign of a sacred vow to be Thy children, pure and loyal to Thee.

Guide us by Thy truth in Thy way.





Make us use our knowledge and strength in being kind, courteous, and helpful to others around us, and obedient to those who are over us.





So. by Thy grace, may we win the "Well done, good and faithful servant!" from Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we Thine unworthy servants do give Thee most humble and hearty thanks for all Thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men.

We bless Thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but, above all, for Thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;

for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we beseech Thee, give us that due sense of all Thy mercies,

that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth Thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to Thy service, and by walking before Thee in holiness and righteousness all our days;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with Thee and Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end.

Amen.





Prayer of Intercession

O God, we pray to Thee for the poor, the toiling, and the friendless;

asking Thee, O loving Father, to succour them through Thy Son;





who, being rich, became poor, that He might be the Saviour of the poor, and needy, and lost.





Defend and provide for all orphaned and fatherless children; and all who are widowed and helpless.

Strengthen them with Thy sympathy, and help them in their distress.





Show Thy mercy, O Father, to the children in darkened lands, who have not heard of Christ's love;

or, in cities or the lonely "bush," who have not been taught of His gentleness and compassion.





Let Thy mission to grace go forth to win, and teach, and save them.

Bless all who are wronged, oppressed, and enslaved.

Enlighten the nations to set them free.





We pray for our friends everywhere.

Keep their feet from falling, their eyes from tears; and preserve them and us in the land of the living.





(We pray Thee to keep, and guide, and bless our dear parents, and our brothers and sisters; make their hearts and lives glad with Thy peace and joy).





Make us able to forgive and help others: even as we would that they should forgive and help us.

Hear this, our prayer, through the love of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

A Family Prayer

Our Heavenly Father, whose tender mercies are over all Thy works, look down upon us this morning, we beseech Thee, in Thy love and pity.



May the Spirit of grace and truth rest upon us, and accompany us through all the events of this day, enabling us to fulfil its duties, to bear its trials, to resist its temptations,



and to embrace the opportunities it brings of doing good.

May He deepen in our hearts the sense of sin, and make us hate it with a stronger hatred.



May we, who dwell together under this roof, be kindly affectionate one to another, with brotherly love, forbearing and forgoing one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven us.



May our friends and relatives be cared for by Thee, and, while in the world, be kept from the evil of it.

Hear the cry of the poor and the afflicted;



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and imbue the hearts of Thy people with great compassion for their brothers and sisters who are in need;

and for the ignorant, and them that are out of the way



O send forth Thy light and Thy truth to the ends of the earth;

let all flesh see the salvation of our God.

Amen.











The John Flynn Foundation is the endowment fund for Frontier Services.







It provides for the long-term needs of isolated communities and individuals by building capital -







the investment income is used to fund the work of Bush Chaplains, while the capital continues to grow over time and provides a sustainable income stream into the future.







We honour the memory of Rev John Flynn in the name of our Foundation, recognising that it is not just about a gift today,





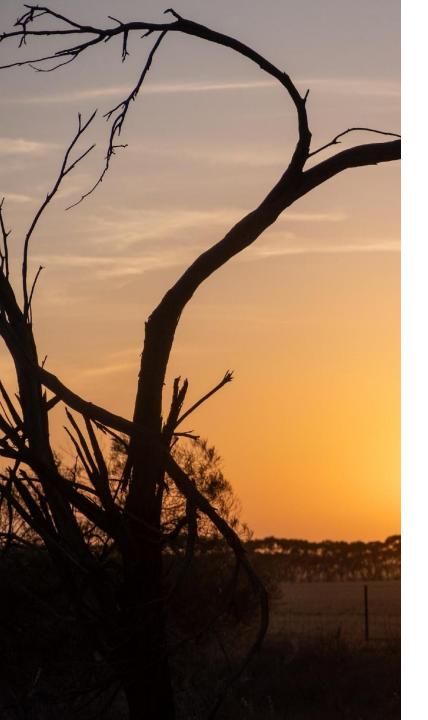


but an investment in the future of rural and remote Australia, continuing Rev Flynn's vision of a "mantle of safety" over the inland.



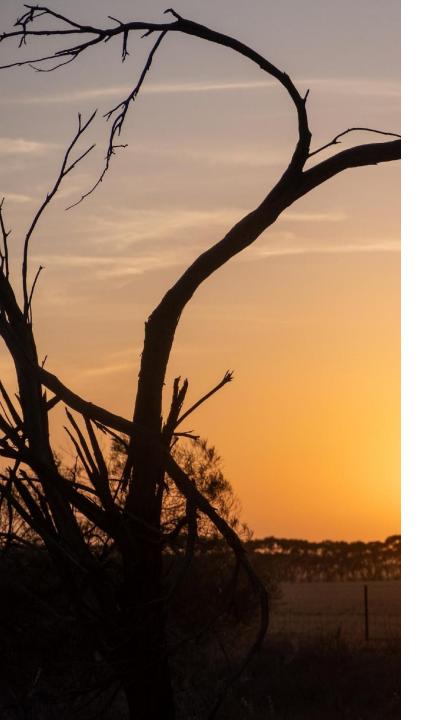
Continuing Flynn's Legacy

Our work is made possible by your kind donations. With your support, our Bush Chaplains continue to provide practical, pastoral, and spiritual care to rural and remote communities going through hardships.

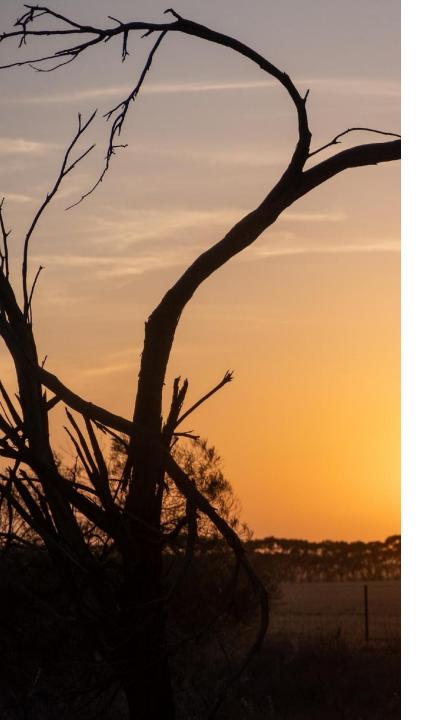


We thank you for your prayers and generosity;

we couldn't do the work we do without your help.



You can continue Rev Flynn's vision for outback Australia today and into the future.



Leaving a Gift in your Will to the John Flynn Foundation helps build a significant reserve, which provides a steady and long-term income stream to support our programs in rural and remote Australia.

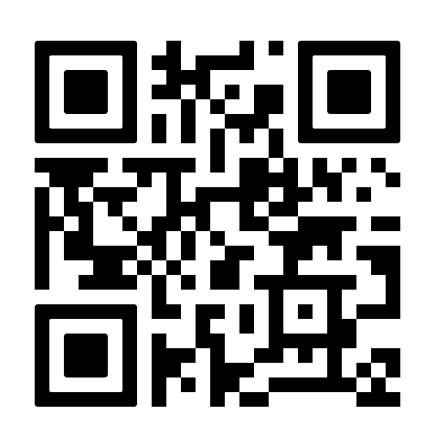


It is a powerful way to ensure that people in the bush never have to struggle alone.



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Hymn Lyric Slides



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Hymn lyrics for the suggested hymns are contained on the following Slides:

Together in Song:

Slides 104-108: 96 - Sing praise to the Lord!

Slides 109-116: 130 - We plough the fields, and scatter

Slides 117-123: 135 - The wildflowers in their beauty

Slides 124-129: 445 - Jesus, Where'er your people meet

Slides 130-136: 590 - What a friend we have in Jesus

Slides 137-144: 658 - Here I am, Lord

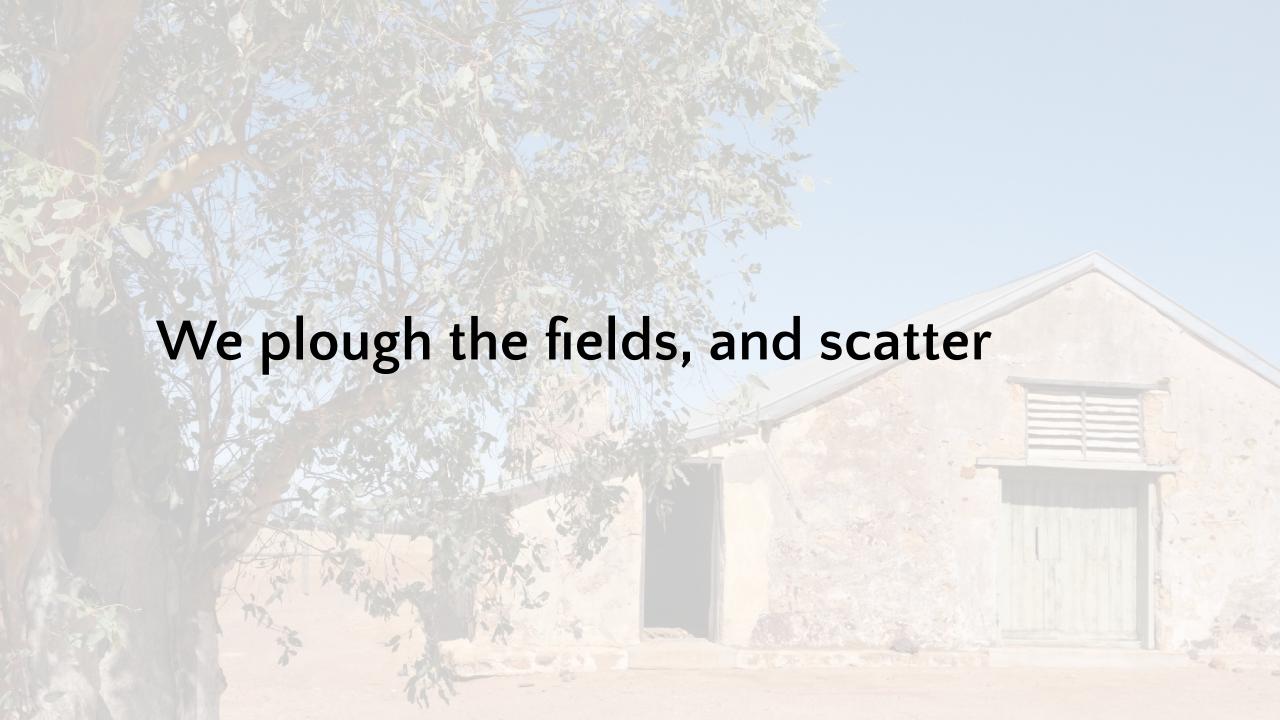


Sing praise to the Lord! praise him in the height; rejoice in his word, you angels of light; all heaven adore him by whom you were made, and worship before him in brightness arrayed.

Sing praise to the Lord! praise him upon earth, in tuneful accord, sing praise for new birth; praise him who has brought you his grace from above, praise him who has taught you to sing of his love.

Sing praise to the Lord, all things that give sound; each jubilant chord re-echo around; loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone, and sweet harp, the story of what he has done.

Sing praise to the the Lord! thanksgiving and song to him be outpoured all ages along: for love in creation, for heaven restored, for grace of salvation, sing praise to the Lord!



We plough the fields, and scatter the good seed on the land, but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand; he sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain, the breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.

Refrain: All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above; then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for such abounding love.

We glorify the maker of everything that is, who gives to us to care for the earth, the air, the seas,

who wills that all the peoples might have their daily bread, that we might share our plenty as channels of God's love. [Refrain] We thank you, gracious giver of all things bright and good, the seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food. Help us in our thanksgiving to use your gifts with care, to serve as friends and neighbours your children everywhere. [Refrain]



All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful – The Lord God made them all The wildflowers in their beauty,
The mountain ranges tall,
the billabongs and rivers,
And friendly birds that call,
All things bright and beautiful....

The cold wind in the winter,
The bright, life-giving sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden –
He made them every one.
All things bright and beautiful...

The coloured walls of gorges,
The gum threes green and tall,
The rocks, and pools, and pal trees,
The sparkling waterfall,
All things bright and beautiful...

The many-coloured corals,
The creatures of the sea,
Of bushland, field or desert,
On farms, or roaming free,
All things bright and beautiful...

He gave us eyes to see them, And lips that we might tell How great is God Almighty Who has made all things well. All things bright and beautiful...

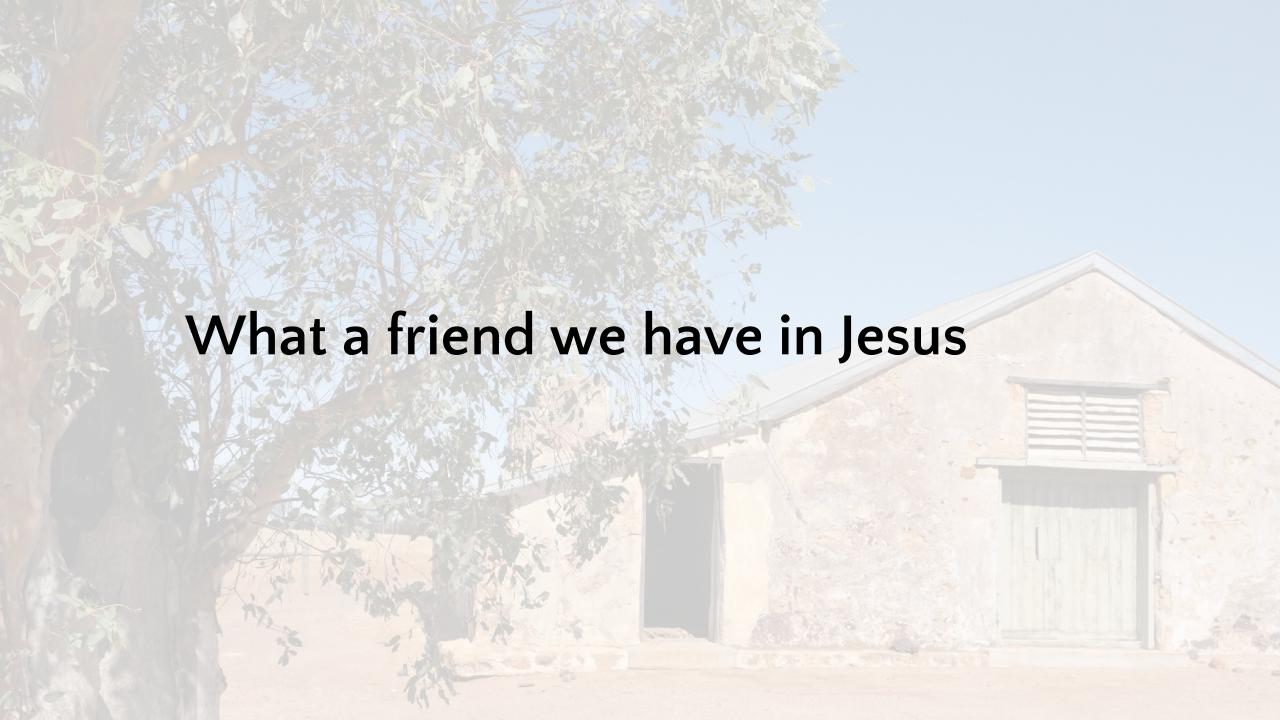


Jesus, where'er your people meet there they behold your mercy seat, where'er they seek you, you are found and every place is hallowed ground. For you, within no walls confined, are present in the humble mind; such ever bring you where they come, and, going, take your to their home.

Dear Shepherd of your chosen few, your former mercies here renew; here to our waiting hearts proclaim the sweetness of your saving name.

Here may we prove the power of prayer to strengthen faith and sweeten care, to teach our faint desires to rise, and bring all heaven before our eyes.

Lord, we are few, but you are near, your arm can save, your ear can hear; O rend the heavens, come quickly down, and make a thousand hearts your own



What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear, what a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer:

O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer. Have we trials and temptations. Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged: Take it to the Lord In prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness: Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care? Jesus is our only refuge: take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer; In his arms he'll take and shield you, You will find a solace there.



I, the Lord of the sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save

I, who made the stars of night,
I who will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my words to them. Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord...

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will send the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord...