

# Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

by Brenton Brown & Paul Baloche

Praise is rising eyes are turning to You we turn to you  
Hope is stirring hearts are yearning for You we long for You

'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day  
In Your presence all our fears are washed away

Hosanna Hosanna  
You are the God who saves us  
Worthy of all our praises

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Come have Your way among us  
We welcome You here Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You we turn to You  
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new You make us new

Hosanna Hosanna

# Tremble

by Andres Figueroa, Hank Bentley, Mariah McManus, Mia Fieldes, and Priscilla Houle

Peace, bringing it all to peace  
The storm surrounding me  
Let it break at Your name

Jesus, Jesus, You make the darkness tremble  
Jesus, Jesus, You silence fear  
Jesus, Jesus, You make the darkness tremble  
Jesus, Jesus

Still, call the sea to still  
The rage in me to still  
Every wave at Your name

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Breathe, then call these bones to live  
Call these lungs to sing  
Once again, I will praise

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Your name is a light that the shadows can't deny  
Your name cannot be overcome

Your name is alive forever lifted high  
Your name cannot be overcome

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# Shackles

by Jimmie Davis

Take the shackles off my feet so I can dance  
I just want to praise you, I just want to praise you  
You broke the chains now I can lift my hands  
And I'm gonna praise you ,I'm gonna praise you

In the corners of mind I just can't seem to find a reason to believe  
That I can break free cause you see I have been down for so long  
Feel like the hope is gone but as I lift my hands, I understand  
That I should praise you through my circumstance

Take the shackles off my feet so I can dance  
I just want to praise you, I just want to praise you  
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Everything that could go wrong all went wrong at one time  
So much pressure fell on me I thought I was gonna lose my mind  
But I know you want to see if I will hold on through these trials  
But I need you to lift this load cause I can't take it anymore

Take the shackles off my feet so I can dance  
I just want to praise you, I just want to praise you  
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Been through the fire and the rain bound in every kind of way  
But God has broken every chain so let me go right now

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# WHO'S IN CHARGE HERE?

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO  
**JOHN**

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## **Big Idea**

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## What Do We Know About Nicodemus?

- A ruler of the Jews and member of the Sanhedrin.
- One of the best teachers of God's Law.
- Not sold yet, but curious about Jesus. He is searching for truth.

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- We got a sneak peak in chapter 1

## John 1:12-13

<sup>12</sup> But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, **he gave the right** to become children of God,<sup>13</sup> **who were born**, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but **of God**.

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<sup>25</sup> **I will** sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness, and from all your idols **I will** cleanse you. <sup>26</sup> And **I will** give you a new heart, and a new spirit **I will** put within you. And **I will** remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup> And **I will** put my Spirit within you, and **cause you** to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.”

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  - God's in control of where He sends His Spirit

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## Number 21:7-9

<sup>7</sup> And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” <sup>9</sup> So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.



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**So what's the implication for us?**

**So how does it make you feel to know that  
God is moving His Spirit in your direction?**

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- God's Spirit is moving in other people's lives

# Reckless Love

by Caleb Culver, Cory Asbury, and Ran Jackson

Before I spoke a word,  
You were singing over me  
You have been so, so good to me

Before I took a breath,  
You breathed Your life in me  
You have been so, so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,  
reckless love of God  
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,  
leaves the ninety-nine

I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still,  
You give Yourself away  
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,  
reckless love of God, yeah

When I was Your foe,  
still Your love fought for me  
You have been so, so good to me

When I felt no worth,  
You paid it all for me  
But You have been so, so kind to me

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There's no shadow You won't light up  
Mountain You won't climb up  
Coming after me  
There's no wall You won't kick down  
Lie You won't tear down  
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