



THE
*PILGRIM'S
PROGRESS*
in song - live

*Featuring the Children of Cherokee
Christian School, Woodstock, GA*



During the 2020-21 school year, elementary students at Cherokee Christian School journeyed through the Pilgrim's Progress. Teacher's read the book to their children, and the chaplain taught through the principles of this timeless Christian classic in chapel each week. He also wrote music to accompany the teaching of the precepts of God's word explained and illustrated in the book. Each week the children would sing songs to remind them of the story, and more importantly, the truths of God's word which they cannot forget.

The songs were purposed to remind the children of the imminence of judgment, the importance of repenting of sin, and the necessity of believing in Jesus Christ as our only Lord and Savior. The songs explain the priority of submitting to and obeying His word for the entirety of our earthly existence. Just like Christian in the story, we will face many dangers, many distractions, and many devious distortions of the truth of God's word. We must keep our eyes on Jesus Christ. We must keep His book in our hands and heart. We must stay on the straight and narrow way to Him. We must persevere to the end where His children will see Him face to face in His heavenly home.

Little Children from Cherokee Christian School and anyone else who reads these words and hears these songs, do not forget the words of our Lord Jesus Christ:

"Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it." - Matthew 7:13-14

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter." - Matthew 7:21

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Flee From This World of Destruction

(Sung by Mrs. Garland's & Mrs. Anderson's 1st grade classes)

Christian, oh Christian, why are you afraid
"My city will be burned with fire. How will I escape?"
Christian, oh Christian, where are you to go?
"I must run to Jesus Christ, He is my only hope"

(CHORUS)

Flee from this world of destruction
Leave all you love here behind
Run to the Lord for salvation
He is the way, the truth, and the life

Christian, oh Christian, how will you find Christ?
"The way to Him is in this book, the written word of Life"
Christian, oh Christian, what is it you read?
"Deny yourself. Take up your cross. Come and follow Me."

Christian, oh Christian, will we all be saved?
"Few will find the gate of life, the straight and narrow way"
Christian, oh Christian, what are we to do?
"Repent of sin. Believe in Christ. Obey His word of truth."

The Gate That Leads to Life

(Sung by Mrs. Powell's & Mrs. Jerguson's 3rd grade classes)

The Obstinate will never leave, this life to follow Christ
His stubborn, hard, unyielding heart will lose eternal life
The Pliable will hear the word, and trust so easily
Affliction and despair will bend his will to turn and leave

The Christian reads the promises found in the book of God
They give him Help to carry through the Slough of his Despond
The Wisdom of the World cannot deliver you from sin
The values of society will crush you in the end

(CHORUS)

Ask and He will give it to you
Seek and you will find
Knock and He will open to you
The gate that leads to life

Beelzebub shoots arrows at the ones who near the gate
The grace of God will shield and guard all those who come by faith
The gate is small, the way is hard, to everlasting life
Enter through the narrow gate, for there you will find Christ

The House of the Interpreter

(Sung by Ms. Hanenburg's 6th grade class)

Our Father sends Interpreters to guide us in this life
His Pastors called to lead His church and teach the Words of Christ
So listen little children for these truths bring hope and fear
Believe His word and keep your pathway clear

The law of God stirs up our sin, reveals our filthy hearts
The Gospel washes us within, to cleanse our soul for God
Though Passion wants his treasure now, he loses all with death
But Patience waits for his inheritance

The Devil seeks to quench the fire of grace that God began
But Christ protects and He perfects our faith until the end
Few will fight through trials in life for treasures that await
The Resolute enter heaven's gate

Beware the dark despair, the man imprisoned by his sin
Who turned away from truth and grace and now cannot repent
Beware the day of judgment come and you be left behind
Repent, believe, and follow Jesus Christ

Remember true Interpreters will guide you in this life
A Faithful Shepherd leads the church and feeds the sheep of Christ
So Listen little children for His truth brings hope and fear
Obey His word He will draw you near

Come to the Cross

(Sung by Mrs. Hulstrom's Kindergarten grade class)

Jesus Christ bore our sins as He hung on the cross
By the blood of the Lamb we are ransomed and bought
He was pierced for our sin, He was crushed for our guilt
By His blood we are cleansed, by His wounds we are healed

(Chorus)

If you come to the cross you will find your relief
He will cast all your sin to the depths of the sea
He will clothe you with Christ and forgive all your sin
He will give you His Spirit and seal you in Him
So come to the cross and worship the Lamb

We were dead in our sins, we were hopeless and lost
Holy God took on flesh then He went to the cross
In the darkness He drank all the wrath we deserve
So that we could receive what we never could earn

The Palace Beautiful

(Sung by Mrs. Elmore's 5th grade class)

From the cross to the grave, we find along the way
A hill steep and tall, but do not be afraid
We will persevere, true faith grows strong in trials
We grow even though, we suffer for a while

On this difficult hill there is a resting place
Where Christians will feel, true comfort, hope and grace
We seek our relief, we find security
We rest and we sing, we grow in joy and strength

(CHORUS)

The Palace Beautiful, the Church of Jesus Christ
The resting place of God for His pilgrims in this life
The Palace Beautiful, the house of God, the church
A taste of heaven now while we journey here on earth
This is the palace beautiful, This is the holy church (last line only)

In the church we converse, we speak of Christ our King
We worship and serve, with thankfulness we sing
We grow more mature, His word will unify
Until we are all, with Jesus glorified

In the church we put on, the armor of the Lord
We stand firm and strong, against this evil world
We have righteousness, we do the will of God
We seek holiness, we walk like Jesus walked

Down in the Valley Below

(Sung by Mrs. Young's & Mrs. Marshall's 2nd grade classes)

Down, down, down, down, down in the valley below

Down from the Palace so Beautiful. Down in the valley below
Deep in the darkness stood a wicked foe. Down in the valley below
The devil is a ruthless enemy. Down in the valley below
He stands against Jesus Christ our King. Down in the valley below

Apollyon prowls like a hungry lion. Down in the valley below.
Christian clinging to the word of Christ. Down in the Valley below.
Resist the devil and he will flee. Down in the valley below.
Submit to Jesus our Christ and king. Down in the valley below

(CHORUS)

Though I fall, I will rise,
Though I fall, I will rise,
Though I fall, I will rise
Though I dwell now in the darkness, Jesus is my light
Though I walk now through the valley, He is by my side

Down to the valley of the shadow of death. Down in the valley below.
Deep in the darkness by the flames of hell. Down in the valley below.
The Pope and the Pagan and their tyranny. Down in the valley below.
I fear no evil, Christ travels with me. Down in the Valley below.

Talk, Talk, Talkative

(Sung by Mrs. Crowell's & Mrs. Goff's 4th grade classes)

(CHORUS)

Talk, Talk, Talking with Talk, Talk, Talkative
Everyday he's talking but he's walking like a hypocrite
Talk, Talk, Talking with Talk, Talk, Talkative
Everybody's tired of it, stop!!!

He looks better when he's real far off
But he's ugly when you get real close
He likes to talk about religious things
But he's living like the devil, he's...

He thinks knows about the things of God
But he talks about himself a lot
He talks the talk but never walks the walk
He's a hearer not a doer he's...

Faith without works is a worthless faith
You don't believe me, read the book of James
Even demons are believin' in God
But they're destined for the fire like...





Vanity Fair

(Sung by Mrs. Stacy's 6th grade class)

Vanity Fair, Vanity Fair, All of the world is a vanity fair!
Vanity Fair, Vanity Fair, All of the world is a vanity fair!

While we are on earth, living in this life,
We will walk through Vanity, on our way to Christ
Everything we see, all that we desire,
All of this is vanity, fated for the fire

Vanity Fair, Vanity Fair, All of the world is a vanity fair!

If you love the world, they will love you too,
If you are not of the world, they will fight with you
Do not love the world, nor the things it holds,
All that is within the world, battles for your soul

Vanity Fair, Vanity Fair, All of the world is a vanity fair!
Vanity Fair, Vanity Fair, All of the world is a vanity fair!

These are not from God, selfishness and pride,
Do not trust the sinful lust of your heart and mind
This will pass away, all the world will die,
Those who do the will of God, gain eternal life

Vanity Fair, Vanity Fair, All of the world is a vanity fair!

Those who love the world, do not love the Lord,
Fix you eyes on Jesus Christ, He is our reward
The kingdom of the world, will belong to Christ,
We will stand faithful to Him, even if we die

Vanity of vanities! All is vanity!! Vanity of vanities! All is vanity!!

Worldly Religion & Cultural Christians

(Sung by Mr. Irby's Children)

Worldly religion may call itself Christian
But has an ambition that's driven by pride
Worthless tradition and vain adoration
All for a mission to gain in this life

(Chorus)

The man that takes up religion
So that he can gain the world
Will throw away that religion
Just to please and keep the world

Cultural Christians say what is needed
To gain an advantage, to prosper and thrive
Riches and profits, safety and comforts
Reverence and honor, are all they desire

Woe to you, you hypocrites, who honor Jesus with your lips
But have a heart, so far from God, you treasure-love and hold-the-world
You claim the grace and love of God but live with reckless disregard
Your counterfeit self-righteous heart infuriates the holy God
The luster of your painted lives may dazzle undiscerning eyes
But every man will come to die and face the wrath of Jesus Christ
Woe to you, you hypocrites, Woe to you, you hypocrites
Woe to you, you hypocrites, Woe to you, you hypocrites

Doubting Castle & Giant Despair

(Sung by Mrs. Powell's 3rd grade class)

When Christians leave the narrow way, to take the path of ease
It leads to Doubting Castle where they find despondency
For Jesus Christ is Truth and Light, to leave Him is a foolish plight
Beware this road will lead to misery

(Chorus)

Beware!! Beware!! This route leads to Despair!!
To hopelessness to diffidence, to sorrow, doubt, and fear
Beware!! Beware!! This route leads to Despair!!
Stay on the straight and narrow way! Beware!!

Jesus knows our suffering He walked this path before
Now we are called follow in the footsteps of our Lord
So hope in God. Wait for the Lord. His promises are our reward
The love of Christ will guard us evermore

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The Delectable Mountains of Christ

(Sung by Mrs. Elmore's 5th grade class)

From the Mountains of God in Emmanuel's land
You can see the Celestial gate
Like Interpreter's House and the Beautiful Palace
Here the Christian finds rest on his way

(CHORUS)

Welcome to His heavenly hills
The Delectable Mountains of Christ
We come to His heavenly hills
The Delectable Mountains of Christ

Here the shepherds of Christ watch and care for His sheep
They encourage and nourish the flock
They restore every soul with the word of the Lord
They deliver and gather the lost

Here the pastors of God warn and Caution His bride
To prevent their descent into Error
They admonish the church and they sanctify her
They instruct with great patience and care

The Country of Conceit

(Sung by Mr. Irby's Children)

In the Country of Conceit
Lies a crooked path that guides the misconceived
Some will journey in the spring
But they Fall Away into Apostasy
Many wander on their own
In their Ignorance convinced they're never wrong
Others scoff at Jesus Christ
But the Atheist will miss the Gospel's light
Listen to and trust the word of God

(CHORUS)

Evil men pretend to live as followers of Christ
Arrogant and wise in their own eyes
Covered in self-righteous skin these devils in disguise
Wisdom lies within the book of life

In the Country of Deceit
Lurks the Flatterer with smooth enticing speech
If you listen to his words
You will tarry there ensnared by what you heard
Even Satan in his lies
Will disguise himself an angel of the light
Keep your eye on factious men
You avoid, reject, and turn away from them

(Bridge)

Do not be deceived, in the end sin will increase
Do not be deceived, what you sow is what you reap
Do not be deceived, false apostles will mislead
But their end will be according to their deeds

The Enchanted Ground

(Sung by Mrs. Goff's 4th grade class)

Beware of the Enchanted Ground
The ones who sleep are never found
Be on alert, stand firm in faith
Be on your guard, loyal and brave

(Chorus)

If I had a thousand lives
I would live them all for Christ
So if I live or if I die
I give my life for Jesus Christ

Why do you sleep? Get up and pray
The time has come to be awake
The night is gone, the day is near
The Lord returns, now stand prepared

The sons of night, will not escape
And those who sleep, will not awake
Forsake you sin and run to Christ
He is the Way, the Truth, the Life

The River of Death

(Sung by Mrs. Young's 2nd grade class)

When this pilgrimage comes to end - You must pass through the River of Death
'Fore you come to the Promised Land - You must pass through the River of Death
The gates of Heaven are just ahead - You must pass through the River of Death
The river will be your final test

You must cross by your faith alone - You will cross through the River of Death
There's no bridge gonna take you home - You will cross through the River of Death
The water is deep and the waves go high - You will cross through the River of Death
To get to heaven you have to die

(CHORUS)

O Spirit give me strength
O Jesus rescue me
O Father bring me home
I put my confidence in Christ alone

Leave your body and life behind - Come on down to the River of Death
Come to Jesus on the other side - Come on down to the River of Death
He delivers your soul from death - Come on down to the River of Death
He will carry you to Beulah Land

When you go through the water, He'll be with you
You need Jesus at the River of Death
When you pass through the river, He'll strengthen you
You need Jesus at the River of Death
When you walk through the fire, He'll keep you safe
You need Jesus at the River of Death
When you come to the river, He's the only way

The Celestial City

(Sung by Mr. Irby's Children)

You have come to Zion the city of our King
The heavenly Jerusalem, where all the angels sing
All who are invited to the marriage of the Lamb
Fall before the Holy One, the powerful I AM

Heaven sings with joyful praise when pilgrims reach their home
When Christians enter in the gate, they yearn for Christ alone
No words or song or language will express the joyful day
When all of His anointed ones will see Him face to face

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord Almighty
Worthy, worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lamb

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen!

Rejoice, be glad, give glory, glory to Him
Draw near, behold, and worship, Jesus the Lamb

Thank you to all of the children, teachers, and administrators at Cherokee Christian School who fought through trials and troubles this school year! The Lord allowed many trying circumstances in many of our lives, but I am so thankful to see His good work and His perfect plans playing out in all of our lives. Chapel has been so much fun this year! Everyone sang so loud and so wonderfully!! Thank you to Mrs. Hartwell for her leadership. Thank you to all the teachers for putting up with the ups and the downs as we sang!! Thank you to all of the children who helped with slides, hand motions, and clean up! Thank you most of all to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who is so patient, gracious, merciful, and kind to us!! His love is incomprehensible, but best displayed by the fact that He willingly laid down His own life, to save wretched, wicked sinners like you and me!

“Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved...” – Acts 16:31

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