

Monday Musings, March 23, 2020

from Pastor Brooke

Are you tired of singing the “A,B,C Song” or some other 20-second song while you are washing your hands? Here are a few suggestions of hymns or prayers you might consider saying or singing instead. And since most of them are hymns, let the words sink in as to what they are saying. I have included a few suggestions for you to ponder while you sing. Happy hand washing!

“Blessed Assurance” refrain — Whether you are washing your hands or spending time with family, we always have the opportunity to “praise(ing) my savior all the day long.”

“Old Rugged Cross” refrain — We can always “cling” to Jesus.

“Doxology” — (Sing whatever words you want!) Again, washing our hands is a way to praise God by caring for ourselves and God’s other beloved in the community.

“Gloria Patri” — The kingdom of God is all around us and God’s love for God’s kingdom will never end.

“I’ve Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy Down in My Heart” — This is an old camp song. So if you sing it at “camp speed” (i.e. as fast as you can spit the words out), you can sing both the verse and the chorus, with maybe a little extra time for scrubbing. Even in the midst of these uncertain times, somewhere deep “down in my heart,” lies the “peace that passes understanding” and that can make each of us “so very happy” to “have the love of Jesus in my heart.”

Recite the Lord’s Prayer — Really think about what you are asking of God in this prayer.

Half of “Holy, Holy, Holy” — Sing it out loud and truly sing your praises to God.

“In the Garden” refrain — It can feel so lonely, but God “walks with you” and “tells you, you are God’s own.”

“Let Us Break Bread Together” — A perfect one to sing before dinner.

“Jesus Loves Me” either verse or refrain — No matter what we can “know” that Jesus loves us, not only because “the Bible tells (us) so” but because of the kindnesses we experience from God’s people.

Continue to be safe, stay home, and **wash your hands!**

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