

## LITURGY FOR THE ASCENSION

Lift up your heads, O you gates; and be you lifted up, you everlasting doors:

**And the King of glory will come in.**

Who is this King of glory?

**The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.**

Lift up your heads, O you gates: yes, lift them up, you everlasting doors;

**And the King of glory will come in.**

Who is this King of glory?

**The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory.**

The Lord has prepared His throne in the heavens,

**And His kingdom rules over all.**

The Father of glory has raised Christ from the dead, and made him to sit at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come, and He put all things in subjection under his feet, and made him head over all things for the Church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all,

**To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever.**

Cassel

Jesus, hail! enthroned in glory there forever to abide!  
All the heavenly hosts adore you, seated at your Father's side:  
There for sinners you art pleading, there you dost our place prepare,  
Ever for us interceding till in glory we appear.

Jesus said: In My Father's house are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and will receive you unto myself; that where I am there you may be also. I ascend to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.

**If we are risen with Christ let us seek those things which are above, where Christ sits at the right hand of God.**

O most merciful Savior, as you were raised from the dead,

**May we also walk in newness of life.**

As Thou did ascend into heaven,

**May we set our minds on things above.**

As you sit on the throne,

**May we be confident of final triumph.**

As you make intercession for us,

**May we rejoice in forgiveness and peace.**

As angels honor you in heaven,

**May every tongue on earth confess Thy Name.**

And when we see you face to face,

**May we share Thy glory.**

Dulce Carmen

You have raised our human nature on the clouds to God's right hand.  
There we sit in heavenly places, there with you in glory stand.  
Jesus reigns adored by angels; man with God is on the throne.  
Mighty Lord, in your ascension, we by faith behold our own.

Seeing that we have a great High Priest, who has passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not a High Priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who in every respect was tempted as we are, yet without sin,

**We will with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in time of need.**

Thus says the Lord: I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. To him who is athirst I will give of the water of life freely. He that overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God, and he shall be My son.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you, and saying, Holy. Holy. Holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of Thy glory: glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High. Amen,

Grafenberg

Jesus is worthy to receive honor and power divine;  
And blessing, more than we can give, be Lord, forever Thine.

Let all creation join in on, to bless the sacred Name  
Of him who sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb.

### MESSAGE NOTES SOME EXPERT ADVICE ON MARRIAGE

Some \_\_\_\_\_ Experts

#### Pastor Doug

Marriage experience – yes! Expert on marriage – no!  
Yet here is some of his best marriage advice –

Let your spouse know how \_\_\_\_\_ he or she is to you.

Don't just say it; \_\_\_\_\_ it!

The best expert on marriage is \_\_\_\_\_!

*“The Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.” Genesis 2:18*

*“Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.” Ephesians 5:21*

### GUIDELINES FOR MARRIAGE (Moravian Book of Worship)

1. Let \_\_\_\_\_ be your foundation.

*“out of reverence for Christ”*

*“Will you be a faithful Christian husband/wife?”*

2. Assign top \_\_\_\_\_ to your marriage.

*“love one another”*

3. Give up any quest for the \_\_\_\_\_ marriage.

*“bear each other's weaknesses and limitations”*

Marriage is probably the most \_\_\_\_\_ of all human relationships.

One reason why is we are \_\_\_\_\_.

You can grow a good marriage, but it takes \_\_\_\_\_.

*“forgive one another”*

4. Give up the hope of \_\_\_\_\_ your spouse through criticism or attack.

When you try to change your spouse by complaining, the other person will retreat or become hostile and defensive.

What you do is your change \_\_\_\_\_.

You also find ways to get your point across in \_\_\_\_\_ ways.

5. Give praise and affection instead of \_\_\_\_\_ it.

*“love one another”*

#### Other Advice from Pastor Doug

It is more important to \_\_\_\_\_ to your marriage than to see what you can \_\_\_\_\_ out of it.

Value and appreciate your spouse.

6. Do things your spouse \_\_\_\_\_ to do.

*“bear with one another”*

7. Be there for the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.

*“cherish one another in joy and sorrow”*

8. Help \_\_\_\_\_ each other up.

*“pray for and encourage each other”*

9. Remember the importance of \_\_\_\_\_ things.

*“be faithful to one another”*

10. Provide a \_\_\_\_\_ place.

*“live together as heirs of the grace of life”*

If you follow along with the Message Notes, the words that go in the blanks are:  
King Moravian, important, show, God, Jesus, priority, perfect, difficult, different, work, changing, you, positive, seeking, give, get, likes, good, bad, build, little, peaceful

