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Mario Nicolus Gomez Heredia kneels in silence after emerging from the mine.

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The world watched as 33 miners were brought to safety after some 30 attempts to reach them last month in Chile. Plan B. I hope you have seen, heard, and read about this amazing rescue and remember all that happened to bring it about. This is what I heard during our worship time October 15th, two days after the last man came out.

Out of the belly of the earth, 70 days, 33 miners.

Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights. Then Jonah prayed...(Jonah 1.17; 2.1)

And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and He heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I, and You heard my voice. (Jonah 2.2)

For thus saith the LORD, that after 70 years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform My good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Then shall you call upon Me, and you shall go and pray unto Me, and I will hearken unto you. And you shall seek Me, and find Me, when you shall search for Me with all your heart. And I will be found of you, saith the LORD: and I will turn away your captivity... (Jeremiah 29.10-14a)

Out of darkness into light.

My soul is weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul. (Job 10.1)

I should have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from the womb [belly] to the grave. Are not my days few? Cease then, and let me alone, that I may take comfort a little, before I go whence I shall not return, even to the land of darkness and the shadow of death; a land of darkness, as darkness itself; and of the shadow of death, without any order, and where the light is as darkness. (Job 10.19-22)

Giving thanks unto the Father, which has made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light; who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son: in whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins. (Colossians 1.12-14)

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that you should show forth the praises of Him who has called you out of darkness into marvelous light. (1 Peter 2.9)

Out of death into life.

For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the huge fish; so shall the son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. (Matthew 12.40)

Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life: the one that believes in me, though that one were dead, yet shall that one live: and whosoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this? (John 11.25, 26)

But we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raises the dead: who delivered us from so great a death, and does deliver: in whom we trust that He will yet deliver us. (2 Corinthians 1.9, 10)

Out of the grave into newness of life.

Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection. (Romans 6.4, 5)

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Out of the belly of hell they came,
one by one,
rescued,
saved to show forth the marvels
of grace,
of goodness,
of faith.
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Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again...(Hebrews 11.33-35a)

The world came together to watch. Some would glorify God. Others would glorify man and the inventions of man. Some would see the strength of the human spirit. Others would see the Strength of the Almighty.

In the belly of the earth a man faced his fears. Sin was exposed. Helplessness. Hopelessness. Tension. Every human emotion. Fully human in their humanity; the fullness of depravity; the worst and the best of what was in them.

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What would hunger drive them to do? What would fear bring them to... the body turning on itself in stifling heat, gnawing starvation, the agony of error.
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God and Satan at war for the souls of 33 men, families, nations;
Satan hunting to devour,
God in Christ pursuing to save.
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Hear them. Learn from them. Heed the warnings for the time grows short.

Follow hard after the LORD. Be strong and very courageous.

Soon. Surely I come quickly. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

O Come, let us sing unto the LORD: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, And make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms. For the LORD is a great God, And a great King above all gods. *In His hand are the deep places of the earth:* The strength of the hills is His also. The sea is His, and He made it: And His hands formed the dry land. O Come, let us worship and bow down: Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker. For He is our God; and we are the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand. Today if you will hear His Voice, Harden not your heart as in the provocation and as in The day of temptation in the wilderness: When your fathers tempted Me, proved Me, and saw My work. Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, And they have not known My ways: Unto whom I sware in My wrath that they should not Enter into My rest. Psalm 95

And this is the record, that God has given to us eternal life,
And this life is in His son.
He that has the Son has life:
And he that has not the son of God has not life.
1 John 5.11, 12

I am the light of the world: The one that follows Me shall not walk in darkness, But shall have the light of life. John 8.12



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