

OPENING HYMN

Sat: #36 A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Sun: #62 Crown Him with Many Crowns

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We welcome brother Kevin Thacker from Sovereign Grace Baptist Church in Ewing, New Jersey this weekend. We will have a light meal and fellowship following the service tonight and tomorrow, all are welcome to stay and enjoy some food and fellowship.
 - Pastor Don Fortner is scheduled to preach here the weekend of June 7-9. Lord willing we plan to meet Friday night at 6:30 pm and Saturday and Sunday morning at 10:30 am.
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SCRIPTURE READING

Sat: Matthew 21:1-11

Sun: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

WORSHIP HYMN

Sat: #295 He Leadeth Me

Sun: #255 Blessed Assurance

OFFERING

“Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, *so let him give*; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.” *2 Cor 9:7*

WORSHIP HYMN

Sun: #53 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

MESSAGE

SAT - THE TWOFOLD OIL

2 KINGS 4:1-7

SUN - TRUE CIRCUMCISION

PHILIPPIANS 3:3

CLOSING HYMN

Sat: #460 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Sun: #75 Abide with Me

THINGS TO PONDER

For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

-1 Cor. 1:21

The Place and Importance of Gospel Preaching

1 Corinthians 1:21

Gospel preaching is so important that without it you simply cannot be saved.

We rejoice in the blessed Gospel doctrine of God's electing love. But election alone never saved anyone. Election is not salvation. Election is unto salvation. It is not enough that we should be chosen to salvation. Before God almighty, in his holiness, justice and truth, could save chosen sinners, those who were chosen by him must also be redeemed. Election is the work of God the Father. Redemption is the work of God the Son.

How we rejoice in and give thanks to God for our redemption by Christ! Precious blood indeed is that blood which put away our sins! Every God taught sinner has learned to give thanks to God for that glorious Gospel doctrine of limited atonement, particular, effectual redemption by Christ. Yet, even our redemption by Christ, though it guaranteed and infallibly secured the salvation of God's elect, is not salvation. Salvation involves the work of the Father and the Son; but it also involves the work of God the Holy Spirit in regeneration and effectual calling. The effectual call of the Spirit is the Holy Spirit's work of almighty, irresistible grace, by which he draws all chosen, redeemed sinners to Christ, creating faith in them, granting them repentance, and converting them by omnipotent grace.

The work of the Holy Spirit in effectual calling must be understood in two aspects: (1.) The outward, external call of grace, which comes to sinners by the preaching of the Gospel; and (2.) The internal call, which is the effectual operation of the Holy Spirit, by which sinners are effectually converted. It is the external call which comes to sinners by the preaching of the Gospel of which our Savior speaks when he says, "*Many are called, but few are chosen*" (Matthew 22:14). The Son of God, our Lord Jesus Christ, declares that many, (not all but many), are called to repentance and faith in him by the preaching of the Gospel, and that few of the many who are called are numbered among the chosen. This is the doctrine of Holy Scripture.

1. God calls sinners to life and faith in Christ by the preaching of the Gospel.
2. The Gospel call is universal in its scope. That is to say, we preach the Gospel to all without exception as the Lord enables us. Many are providentially excluded by God from the external call of the Gospel; but none are excluded by his servants.
3. This call of sinners to repentance and faith in Christ is an unconditional, unqualified call.

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4. This call of the Gospel is given by Divine authority.
5. The call issued to sinners in the preaching of the Gospel is a sincere call.
6. This Gospel call is a most gracious call.
7. Though it is, in itself, ineffectual for the saving of any, when accompanied by the power of God's Spirit, the preaching of the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation.

This is the importance of Gospel preaching. It is by this means that God calls sinners to salvation and eternal life in Christ. If I were you, I would find me a Gospel preaching, sit down, and listen to the preaching of the Gospel, earnestly praying that God might be pleased in his sovereign mercy to call me by his grace. I would hear the Gospel every time I could. I'd go to the house of God, praying like Fanny Crosby...

"Pass me not, O gentle Savior, Hear my humble cry.
While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by!"

-Pastor Don Fortner

Progressive Sanctification

The idea of progressive sanctification (when a person acts more and more holy and sins less and less as they get older) is an idea made up by legalists who are trying to keep people under the law not under grace. The idea of progressive sanctification is nowhere to be found in the Word of God. Do not confuse growing in grace for growing in holiness. A believer does grow in love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness and faith. There are differing degrees of all of those fruits of the Spirit. But there are no degrees of holiness. We are either holy or unholy. There is no middle ground. The believer is not made holy by our works. Christ IS our holiness. *"But of Him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption" (1 Cor. 1:30)*. If you would see your holiness, do not look to your works, look to Christ who is our holiness.

If Christ is our sanctification, we are holy!

-Pastor Frank Tate

In the kingdom of God the way up is down, the way to live is to die, the way to strength is weakness, to be wise is to become a fool, to be clothed in His righteousness is to be stripped of my own, to receive is to give, and to reign is to serve. If God does not turn my affection, interest, and love from this world, I will perish with the world.

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10:30 AM Morning Worship Service

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Saturday-Sunday April 20-21, 2019

"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

Rev 22:17



"But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him." 1Cor 8:6