CALL TO WORSHIP

Holy, Holy, Holy #70

SCRIPTURE READING

Sun- Bob M. AM

Cass H. PM

Wed- Mike S.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Following the morning message, Thomas Carlise, Matt Skiffington, Trevor Skiffington, and Brian Skiffington will be professing Christ in baptism.

WORSHIP HYMN

Have Thine Own Way, Lord! #388

CLOSING HYMN

My Savior #226

There Is A Fountain #222

"Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you."

— 1 Cor 11:2

The child of God partakes of the Lord's Table and is baptized just as it was delivered to us. Why do we do these things?

We observe the ordinances of our Master for three reasons. One, Christ commanded them. Two, Christ performed them on our behalf. And three, as children greatly loved of our Father, we want to obey Him. The new spirit in us is willing by His power and joyful to do so because Christ was willing and joyful to do so for His people. What an easy yoke!

THE HAVES AND THE HAVE NOTS

"He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life." -1 John 5:12

There is no issue of greater importance than this. This is the eternal truth of God and it doesn't need adjusted to the times or made socially acceptable. Rather we must bow to what God declares here, praying He would give us the grace to do so.

The Haves – These are not those who are wealthy and have this world's riches. That is the how the term is usually defined. This text speaks of those who possess little of worldly riches but are rich in the grace of God. They have the Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ, and having Him, they have all things in Him. Regardless of whatever they may not have, they have the Son, and in Him they have spiritual and eternal life. They will live as long as Christ lives – forever!

The Have Nots – Again, unlike how this term is normally used, the have nots may have much goods laid up for many years, as the rich fool in Luke 12. But as the Lord taught there, he was not rich toward God. He didn't have the Son of God, therefore he was really wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked. If I don't have the Son, I don't have life, I'm dead in my sins and facing eternal death. Robert McCheyne said, "One gem from the ocean of Christ's preciousness, is worth all the pebbles from earthly streams."

LOVING SERVICE IS NOT CONDESCENSION

'After that He poureth water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet' – John 13:5

When we think of how the Lord of Glory stooped down to wash the dirty feet of those men, we think of His amazing condescension; how One so high could stoop so low. But to Him it was not condescension. All that He did was for the glory of God and the good of those He loved. Nothing was too low for Him, or beneath Him in service to His Father and His brethren. His Father's business required much dirty work and menial tasks, but all were done by Him with desire, joy and pleasure. And whatsoever His hand found to do, He did it with all His might unto His God, be it ever so lowly and humble a task. No, it was not condescension to Him but LOVE! Besides, there was nothing unclean of itself to Him. The feet of the disciples were as important and needed washing same as their faces. The feet, though considered ugly by most, were not so to Him. (Nor is there a member of His body, the church, that is ugly and unnecessary to Him).

But Think of it; how the Lord labored in His Father's field, sweating and getting dirty, yet it was not dirt in the sense that we think of it; it was not 'dirt' at all but beauty . . . a badge of honor. Dirt was not dirt to Him, but the soil of His Father's making, which He delighted to get His hands into. And His hands, though covered with dirt, were clean and pure.

Tell me, you mothers, is it condescension for you to wipe the dirty parts of your children? Do you consider it beneath you or do you consider it a necessary thing and your delight? How much more did Christ do what He did out of love to His children. Though our Lord washing feet is great condescension to us, it was love to Him. And didn't He say that the greatest in the kingdom of Heaven is the servant? That means that the lower one stoops the higher he is to God. It means condescension is not condescension at all, but ascension. May this mind be in us which was in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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"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*