

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Like A River Glorious #287

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## SCRIPTURE READING

Sun AM- Kevin T.

Sun PM- Cass H.

Wed- Bob M.

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## WORSHIP HYMN

My Faith Looks Up To Thee #359

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- As our Lord enables you, pray for our brethren here and in other local assemblies. That our Lord be with us and keep us!
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## CLOSING HYMN

Leaning On The Everlasting Arms #460

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### WHEN WE COME TO HEAR FROM GOD

Bro. Ebenezer Erskine was visiting with a pastor on his way to a preaching engagement. The pastor said, *"We are meeting tonight to worship around the Lord's table. Would you preach for us?"* Mr. Erskine preached, and the Lord richly blessed all. One believer urged the pastor to have Mr. Erskine come again on his return and preach for them, which he did; and the same believer, who spoke so highly of the first sermon, expressed disappointment with the second. The wise pastor asked the believer two questions. *"When you heard Mr. Erskine the first time, why were you here?"* He replied, *"I came to worship the Lord at His table."* The second question, *"Why did you come to the meeting tonight?"* *"I came to hear Mr. Erskine"* to which the pastor replied, *"Dear one, WHEN WE COME TO WORSHIP GOD, WE WILL HEAR FROM GOD; when we come to hear a man, usually this will be our experience, that we hear only a man."*

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*"... I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."* - John 10v10

I can attempt to lay the guilt of the law on a dead man- but he will not feel the burden and run to Christ, unless God gives him life.

I can shoot the barbed arrows of the truth of the Gospel into a dead man's chest- but he will not flinch nor shed a tear and cry out to God for mercy, unless God gives him life.

I can try to comfort a dead man with the salvation accomplished by our Lord Jesus Christ- but he will not rejoice in the Savior's victory, unless God gives him life. Lord, come to us- that we may live and rest in you in abundance!

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David had no troubles when he was a shepherd keeping his father's sheep. King Saul didn't know who David was. He had never even heard of David. David's troubles began when he was anointed king. Now Saul knew who David was and Saul sought to kill David for pretty much the rest of his life.

Trouble for the child of God begins the very same way. Before we are born again, we have no real trouble with sin or the world. The believer's trouble begins the moment he is born again. Now there is a new man who the old man hates and wars against until the day he dies. Now the believer is no longer of the world so the world hates him.

The very moment that our souls have no more trouble, worry, or bad news, is the very moment our troubles in this life really begin. The only way to handle those troubles is to continue like we began: trusting Christ and Christ alone to be everything to me and for me.

- Pastor Frank Tate (Ashland, KY)

## PEACE IS BETTER

*“The peace of God which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” Phil. 4:7*

Usually, this verse is thought to mean that the peace of God is too great to be understood. Surely there is some truth to that, for the peace of God is a miracle of grace in the heart ministered by the Holy Spirit. Like everything else our God does, it is unsearchable and passed finding out. Rom 11:33. However, there is something more glorious and liberating to be seen in this passage of scripture. The word “passeth” means to be higher than, better, or more excellent. The Lord is telling us that in Christ Jesus there is something better than understanding. How often we sacrifice the peace of God for understanding. We become disquieted and fearful in our attempt to understand and control our circumstances. Oh to be careful for nothing, to make our request known onto God through prayer and supplication with thanksgiving. Then the peace of God which far exceeds any understanding will keep our hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

- Pastor Greg Elmquist (Apopka, FL)

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*“It shall be perfect to be accepted” - Leviticus 22:21*

The Lord God is perfect. And he will never accept anything, or any person that is not perfect. The only obedience that God will accept is perfect obedience. The only sacrifice that God will accept is a perfect sacrifice. The only man that God will accept is a perfect man. Are we then without hope? No! The Lord has provided for us a perfect obedience and a perfect sacrifice in the perfect God-man, Jesus Christ.

- Don Fortner

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**Sunday May 23rd, 2021**

**“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**