CALL TO WORSHIP

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing #93

SCRIPTURE READING

Sun AM- Brian S. Wed- Bob M. Sun PM- Cass H.

WORSHIP HYMN

Jesus Paid It All #125

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN It Is Well With My Soul #256

"For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ, in them that are saved, and in them that perish: To the one we are the savour of death unto death; and to the other the savour of life unto life. And who is sufficient for these things?" - 2 Cor 2v15-16

Every time I am about to preach, I pray the Lord would give me the ability to speak to every soul there as if no one has ever heard of the Lord Jesus Christ- that every person is lost and must come to Christ for life! AND I pray that He enables me to tell of our Great God's faithfulness and promises to His people, with all comfort and assurance- as though every person there has come to Him and was surely His child!

Then I ask-"Who is sufficient for these things?"

If we preach only Christ and Him crucified, the Word of God, His person and His work- **HE** will accomplish both! Not me. - KBT

Brothers, let us be very careful that we do not make our religion a matter of what error we don't believe and what abuses we don't practice. Satan lays a devious trap in the way of many by making them think that the recognition of error is the same thing as the belief of the truth or that recognizing the wrong path is the same thing as walking on the right path. I have met people whose entire religion lay in what false doctrine they did not believe and what "inconsistent" practices they didn't practice. They would never stoop to use an invitation system or support anyone who does, but then, neither did they ever testify of the gospel in the proper way or support anyone who did. They have a long list of churches they despise but no church they love. They would never think of being yoked under the bondage of the law, but neither do they gladly receive the yoke of Christ. They do not believe in tithing yet never practice cheerful giving. They are careful never to cause one to stumble and seem just as cautious never to pick up the downfallen. They loudly speak of false doctrines they despise, but one never hears a loving declaration of the truth from their lips. They are all negative and no positive. God grant us grace not to be like that! While "eschewing evil," let us be careful to also "love what is good." While exposing "the unfruitful deeds of darkness," let us also be careful to "live as children of light." Let us not be negative, but positive.

- Pastor Joe Terrell (Rock Valley, IA)

When we see someone or something in need, do we say, 'Someone ought to do something . . . the church should do something."? Brethren, you are the church. We are the church. Each of us is a member of the body and responsible to it. Whatever our hand finds to do, needing to be done, do it with all thy might as unto the Lord.

- Pastor Paul Mahan (Rocky Mount, VA)

THE CREATION OF LIGHT AND LIFE

The first picture we have of salvation is found in the very first words of the Bible. "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." (Genesis 1:1-2) The creation of the earth and the new creation (rebirth) of a sinner are the same?

"The earth was without form." That phrase "without form," means a desolation, a desert, a worthless thing. It means full of confusion, empty, vain, waste and nothingness. That is a pretty accurate picture of all of us by nature.

"And void." The word "void" means an abyss. There is no doubt that the depth of our natural depravity and sin is a bottomless abyss.

"Darkness was upon the face of the deep." How dark is the darkness of man's soul? It is full of misery, destruction, death, ignorance, and sorrow resides not only on the surface and deep recesses of men and women's cold, dead, and hard hearts. (Jeremiah 17:9)

What hope is there then for a sinner? There is only one! "And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light." (Genesis 1:2-3) May God, "who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, be pleased to shine in our hearts, to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." (2 Corinthians 4:6)

- Pastor David Eddmenson (Madisonville, KY)

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"But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness; But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God." ICor 1v23-24