

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### And Can It Be That I Should Gain? #44

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## SCRIPTURE READING

Sun AM- Bob M.

Sun PM- Mike S.

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## WORSHIP HYMN

### Yesterday, Today, Forever #283

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are thankful to have Brother Eric Floyd, from Hurricane Road Grace Church in Ashland, KY, to be here today and preach Christ to us! Lord willing, he will bring the evening message at 6:30 pm as well.

- No midweek service this Wednesday (Oct 13<sup>th</sup>).

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## CLOSING HYMN

### Leave It There #353

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*“This persuasion cometh not of Him that calleth you.”*

- Galatians 5:8

This was spoken to people who claimed to be Christians. What they had come to be persuaded of did not come from God. This lets us know that it is possible for us to be strongly persuaded concerning something that God never taught us and is not true. We may even use Scripture to back us up, but it is Scripture taken out of context! Anything contrary to, “*Christ is All*”, is a persuasion that did not come from God.

- Todd Nibert

## Our Perception, God’s Purpose

Imagine sitting under the apostle Paul for a few years. That sounds so appealing in hindsight, yet would come at a great personal cost. Put yourself in the shoes of the saints in that day and consider the public perception of this apostle.

Paul was the most controversial apostle. He was not famous, but infamous. He had openly persecuted the church, then changed sides during a holy war, and his office had the most doubt of legitimacy to many (being called after Christ’s ascension). He was hard to listen to in speech and appearance, his words were harsh in bluntness at times, and at the end of his ministry he was a prisoner (a felon). The pharisees accused him of preaching against the law, the temple, and Jews in general. Labeling him as an antinomian and an anti-Semite. Not an appealing man to have as your pastor, preacher, or even friend.

Yet, Paul was used to write the majority of the New Testament. He, “*labored more abundantly than they all*”. Traveled and preached more than all. Through the shame, the persecution, and the laboring he was grown in Grace and understanding. He wrote to the church at Corinth (and to you and I) -

*But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;*

*And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:*

*That no flesh should glory in his presence.*

*But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:*

*That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.*

Father, let us neither glory in a man nor ever be embarrassed of the earthen vessels you have chosen to preach to your people. Let us glory ONLY in our Lord, and we *shall not be ashamed!*

- KBT

## GOD'S GOSPEL

'That gospel of the glory of the blessed God' (I Tim. 1:11), in the salvation of sinners is the most wonderful, the most amazing, and the most glorious "Good News" which ever fell upon human ear! It is in every way characteristic of its Author and suitable to the desperate need of spiritually dead sinners (Eph. 2:1-7). It manifests the holiness and righteousness of God in justifying the unholy and unrighteous, the infinite love of God in saving those who are altogether unlovable, and the infinite power of God in creating life in those who are "dead in trespasses and in sins."

This salvation is fully accomplished by the Lord Jesus Christ for His people, for sinners. There is FULL! FREE! ETERNAL! salvation for lost, undeserving, hell-deserving sinners in the Lord Jesus Christ! This salvation comes to sinners freely, by grace, through faith (Eph. 2:8, 9). They hear the "Good News;" they believe the word spoken; they trust in the Lord Jesus Christ through the Word – and they have Christ! and they have life!

When food and drink is set before the hungry and thirsty, they eat and drink with thanksgiving. When Christ and life is set forth before (declared, Gal. 3:1) lost, guilty, condemned, hell-deserving, dying sinners, they embrace Him and live upon Him with thanksgiving unto the triune God. They "worship God in the Spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh" (Phil. 3:3).

Dear believing sinner, rejoice with thanksgiving and praise unto our great God and Saviour. Dear lost, unbelieving sinner, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou SHALT be saved" (Acts 16:31).

- Maurice Montgomery

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**Sunday October 10th, 2021**



***"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."***

*1Cor 1v23-24*