

CALL TO WORSHIP

O Worship The King # 1

SCRIPTURE READING

Sun- Kevin T.

Wed- Cass H.

HYMN

Praise The Savior # 51

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CLOSING HYMN

Day By Day # 299

“And the LORD said unto Samuel, How long wilt thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? fill thine horn with oil, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Bethlehemite: for I have provided me a king among his sons.”

- 1 Samuel 16: 1

Much of our mourning is due to the wicked Saul in the sin-nature within every born-again child of God. But God has rejected him from reigning over us. *“Sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace”* (Rom 6:14). Therefore, God speaks the gospel into our new man declaring God has provided himself a King among the sons of Jesse. Thereby, the sovereign Spirit fills our horn with oil, effectually sending us to Christ Jesus, our King and our Savior.

- Pastor Clay Curtis (Ewing, NJ)

THE WORK OF GOD

When was the last time you looked at a beautiful painting and thought anything about the brush the artist used? Or, when was the last time you read some inspiring words and had any thought of the pen the author used? That’s absurd. Never. No, all the glory from the enjoyment of these works goes to the Artist and the Author. The instruments they use are insignificant. One brush or pen would be pretty much as good as the next. When Paul and Barnabas came back to Antioch after their first missionary journey; “they rehearsed all that GOD HAD DONE with them and how that HE had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.” Acts 14:27. Yes, God uses His church to plant and water the seeds of the gospel. Might we be found faithful in so doing. But, let us never forget, except The Lord give the increase there will be no fruit. We are but, “unprofitable servants” Lk 17:10. Indistinguishable brushes and pens in the hand of the Master who Himself gets all the glory.

- Pastor Greg Elmquist (Apopka, FL)

The Lord used ravens to feed Elijah, but Elijah never thought of trusting in the ravens. If we lean on instruments instead of the hand that uses them, we bring down a curse upon ourselves, for it is written, *‘Cursed be the man that trusteth in man and maketh flesh his arm and whose heart departeth from the Lord’* (Jer. 17:5).

- Scott Richardson

The religious need to be entertained and impressed by spiritual surroundings. The simpler the service and the more preaching (of Christ), the better the believer likes it; for it is Christ he has come to hear about and worship.

- Anom

A man once said, “The early Christians did not say in dismay, Look what the world has come to; but rather in delight, Look WHO has come into the world!”

Perhaps we need to be more like those early Christians. While it is impossible for those who walk in the light to ignore or be indifferent toward the “works of darkness,” yet we should fix our hearts upon Zion’s King, the Lord Jesus Christ, and rejoice with thanksgiving that such a One came into this sinful world and performed such an amazing, effectual work of love for those who were His natural enemies; and what a work He is presently doing in this sinful world right now.

Every time the Lord Jesus visits a country or nation with the gospel, it is an invasion of enemy territory. Every time our Lord establishes a Gospel Church, it is the setting up of a stronghold on enemy turf. Every individual sinner saved is a tribute to the sovereign power and effectual grace of King Jesus, our Saviour. Every believer is a testimony of the conquering power of Mary’s Son, who conquered the powers of Satan and darkness and took the spoils of victory.

What is really going on in this world? First and foremost, faith declares, “*My Captain is bringing many sons unto glory*” (Heb. 2:9-18). And, “*He shall not fail nor be discouraged*” (Isa. 42:4). Who is the King of this world? He is our Saviour, our Shepherd, the Lord Jesus Christ. He shall very soon show, says the apostle Paul, “*WHO IS the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords*” (I Tim. 6:15).

Dear souls, while we cannot help weeping over this wicked, perishing world, may we with humble, submissive and thankful hearts worship our great and gracious God, the Lord Jesus Christ. And remember that HE is the ruler of this world, and that He “*worketh ALL THINGS after the counsel of His own will,*” for our spiritual and eternal good and His everlasting glory (Rom. 8:28).

- Maurice Montgomery

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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.”

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Service Times

Sunday - 9:30 AM
- 10:30 AM

Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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