

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Fairest Lord Jesus # 50

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## SCRIPTURE READING

Sun- Kevin T.

Wed- Mike S.

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## HYMN

Tell Me The Old, Old Story # 229

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Lord willing, Daniel and Sandy Parks will be with us this Wednesday. Daniel is pastor of the Sovereign Grace Baptist Church, in St Croix, USVI.

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## CLOSING HYMN

Teach Me Thy Way # 337

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'Love beareth all things.' It bears its own burdens of everyday life. It bears the burdens of other believers, and so fulfills the law of Christ. It patiently bears the reproaches from the world. Love bears it all - 'All things.'

'Love believeth all things,' that God has said in his written word. All the promises, prophecies, and even the threatens and warnings. If God has said it, love believes it - 'All things'.

'Love hopeth all things.' God has purposed amazing things for his redeemed people. That they will be with Christ, and like Christ and all that that entails etc., and love lives in the hope of it all - 'All things.'

'Love endureth all things.' Love will never give up. It will never let go, or go back. Love will keep believing and cleaving till the end. Love endures everything - 'All things.' Thank God for love.

- Pastor Bruce Crabtree (New Castle, IN)

## PRACTICAL THEOLOGY

How blessed it would be for us, and for all who cross our paths, if we could put our theology into deeds and not mere words. We profess to believe in God's immutable sovereignty and then constantly mourn over our lot in life. We claim to believe in God's purpose and providence, but fill every ear that will listen with our discontent and our sad state of affairs. Usually those who do the most complaining have, in reality, the least to complain about; while those who have serious handicaps, heavy burdens, and deep sorrows find a reason to praise the Lord and rejoice in His blessings.

I need not remind you of God's anger with Israel because of their murmuring, or to remind you of the words of our Lord, "*Take no anxious thought for what you shall eat, drink, or wear*" or to remind you of the words of Paul, "*Let your conversation be without covetousness, and be content with such things as ye have.*" No! I need not remind you of these words; for you have read them, taught them, and perhaps preached them. Then our problem is not ignorance of the Word and will of God (perhaps it would be better if this were our problem); our problem is identified in Hebrews 4:2, "*The Word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it.*"

It is a heart problem, for out of the heart the mouth speaks. And truthfully, our complaints are not with men, who are but second causes, but with God WHOM WE SAY is the first Cause and Lord of our lives. I can understand the free-willer (whose God is but a puppet of man's permission) complaining, murmuring, and finding fault with all about Him. But the most inconsistent person living is the professed Christian who says he believes, "*The Most High rules in the kingdom of men and giveth it to whomsoever He will*" or "*In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you*", and then fills the air about with a constant stream of complaints and reasons why he should be somewhere else or doing something else, or blessed in a more abundant measure. A certain cure for anxious care is **TRUST**. "*Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him!*"

- Henry Mahan

## COMPLETE IN CHRIST

All that is necessary to secure our eternal salvation is to be found in the Lord Jesus Christ (**Phil. 4:19**). There is a completion or a complete filling up in Him, so as to leave nothing lacking in the sinner. In the Lord Jesus Christ dwells all the fullness of God (**Col. 2:9-10**).

All that is lacking in us by our ruin and sin in Adam is abundantly, freely and eternally supplied to us in the Lord Jesus Christ, "*Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound*" (**Rom. 5:20-21**).

His perfect obedience is our righteousness (**Phil. 2:7-8**).

His sacrifice for sin is our atonement (**Heb. 2:17**).

His word is our instruction (**2Tim. 3:16**).

His wisdom is our direction (**Col. 2:3**).

His power is our protection (**1Peter 1:5**).

His blood sacrifice is our justification (**Rom. 5:9**).

His grace is our salvation (**Rom. 3:24**).

His eternal love is our security (**Rom. 8:32-39**).

His everlasting mercy is our hope (**Lam. 3:22-26**).

His fullness is our completeness (**John 1:16**).

His immutability is our strength (**Mal. 3:6**).

His resurrection is the guarantee of our full and final glory (**Rom. 4:25; Rev. 1:18**).

His intercession is the assurance of all our deliverance from sin (**Heb. 7:25; I John 2:1**).

Tell me my friend, what could we possibly want for, when all the Godhead is engaged to make the believer complete in the Lord Jesus Christ, to His eternal glory (**Rom. 8:29-30; Jude 1:24-25**).

- Pastor Tom Harding (Pikeville, KY)

# San Diego Grace Fellowship

*"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*

**May 8th, 2022**

Service Times

Sunday - 9:30 AM

- 10:30 AM

Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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