

CALL TO WORSHIP

Brethren, We Have Met To Worship# 15

SCRIPTURE READING

Sun- Cass H.

Wed- Mike S.

HYMN

Have Thine Own Way, Lord! # 388

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We plan to have a covered dish dinner following the morning service today. Feel free to bring a prepared dish of your liking, as the Lord has increased you.

CLOSING HYMN

Grace Greater Than All Our Sin # 209

THE FIVE ALONES

Scripture Alone, Christ alone, Grace alone, Faith alone, and the Glory of God alone have been called the watchwords of the Protestant Reformation. To call them that is to diminish what they are. It is from the Scriptures alone that we see Christ alone, Grace alone, Faith alone, and the Glory of God alone. “The Scripture preached before the Gospel to Abraham” (Gal. 3:8). Before they were written they spoke. It was 400 years before the Scriptures were written that the Scriptures preached to Abraham. The Scriptures, like their Author, are eternal. So Christ alone, Grace alone, Faith alone, and the Glory of God alone is the eternal Truth. The five alones were not developed during the Protestant Reformation, they are the eternal Truth of God and they are one! Where you have one, you necessarily have all five. Take away the alone, and they are all meaningless!

- Todd Nibert (Lexington, KY)

*“But let him that glorieth glory in this, **that he understandeth and knoweth me**, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth:”*

- Jeremiah 9v24

The child of God is married to The Lord Jesus Christ, our Great Kinsman Redeemer. There is much benefit to being His bride! We are eternally grateful for being free from sin, death, the accuser of the brethren, condemnation, the law, and being abundantly provided for in every aspect we see and do not see. We are freely given all material things we need, freely given life, freely given wisdom, freely given righteousness, freely given sanctification, freely redeemed by the Blood of Christ!

But, as we sing, “the bride eyes not her garment, but her dear Bridegrooms face.”. We never forget we are saved by His works, we never forget everything we have is from our Lord, **AND** we are ever mindful of the Person that has done all this work for us. The character of the ONE that we were made one with! The greatest benefit and privilege of knowing God, is knowing God! If we have Christ, we have all things!

“I have GIVEN YOU a land for which ye did not labor and cities which you built not and ye dwell in them; and of vineyards and olive yards which you planted not, do you eat.” - Joshua 24:13

Is this not the summation of Sovereign Grace? Short, sweet and very simple. God, in Christ Jesus has truly “given” us everything we possess, have or have ever had! Salvation, righteousness, peace, affliction, hard times, not so hard times; everything! What affectionate children we should be, what simple gratitude we should sing, what daily joy we should speak of you, our glorious father. May this little bit of scribbling cause us to “*remember Him with whom we have to do*”. Lord, you do always look after your dear children, all to the glory of your rich free grace.

- Drew Dietz (Jackson, MO)

The Cost of Forgiveness

Psalm 103:3 “Who **forgiveth all thine iniquities**; who healeth all thy diseases”

Ephesians 1:7 “In whom we have redemption through his blood, **the forgiveness of sins**, according to the riches of his grace”

Psalm 130:4 “But **there is forgiveness with thee**, that thou mayest be feared.”

I can wrong a man, and seek his forgiveness. He can forgive me of the wrong at no cost to either party. Not so with God. For God to forgive me of my sins, comes at a great cost to Himself.

For God to forgive me of my sins, He must become bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh. He must take my sins to Himself, pay the sin debt that I owe to His justice. God himself, in a body prepared by him, for him, must go to the cross and shed His blood, suffer and die in my place for my sins, rise from the grave, and ascend back to glory. Now He can forgive me of all my sins. Let us never forget the great cost of forgiveness on God's part.

- John Chapman (Spring Lake, NC)

A PARADOX OF TRUTH

If a man does not believe on Christ, the fault is all on him. If he does believe on Christ, the cause of that is all on God. All men are without excuse, and God gets all the glory for all our salvation. An unresponsive fatalistic view of salvation due to sovereign, electing, effectual, and irresistible grace, is nothing more or less than blaming God for the worst sin of all, unbelief. “*Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.*” Acts 16:31.

- Greg Elmquist (Apopka, FL)

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

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Service Times

Sunday - 9:30 AM

- 10:30 AM

Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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