

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hallelujah, What A Savior # 127

SCRIPTURE READING

Sun- Kevin T.

Wed- Bob M.

HYMN

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus # 204

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We plan to observe the Lord's table this morning and have a meal following.

- I have been told to greet the brethren here by more assemblies than I can list. You are loved and prayed for by a multitude!

CLOSING HYMN

Savior, Again To Thy Dear Name # 81

In John 17 our High Priest declared the name of God. He declared God's name as the *eternal Father* who loved his Son before the world and gave his own to Christ that he might give eternal life to as many as the Father gave him (vv1-10). He declared God's name as the *Holy Father* who makes us one by sanctifying and keeping us in Christ (vv11-23). He declared God's name as the *Righteous Father* who by Christ our Righteousness is just and merciful to raise us to behold Christ's glory (vv24-25). May we never grow weary of hearing the gospel because it is Christ declaring God's name and the only way we receive the love of the truth. "*I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them*" (v26).

- Clay Curtis (Ewing, NJ)

IT IS HIGH TIME TO AWAKE OUT OF SLEEP

Romans 13v11

The sleep here spoken of by Paul is a shameful indifference to Christ, a spiritual, callousness into which true believers sometimes fall. Yes, men and women who truly love and trust Christ do sometimes, by their own sin and neglect of him, become indifferent to him. The wise virgins, like the foolish, are often found asleep (Matthew 25:1-13; Song of Solomon 5:2-3). And when they are asleep, it is impossible to tell the wise from the foolish.

Are you asleep? Have you, like the church of Ephesus, lost your first love? Have you forgotten the joy of believing? Has your grasp of the Savior lost the strength of freshness? Your doctrine may be very precise, though you sleep. If you are born of God, you have seen your sin. But has the fresh conviction of personal depravity and sin you once felt so deeply now become no more than a doctrine you acknowledge? You know the righteousness of God in Christ, but has the righteousness of Christ now become no more than a point of doctrine about which you debate? It was once a blessed garment of salvation you wrapped around your naked soul. You have seen God's judgment of sin in Christ. How joyfully you once bathed your filthy soul in Immanuel's precious blood! The atonement of Christ, his finished work of redemption, his precious blood were once more than doctrinal facts to you. They were your soul's hope, joy, and peace.

All the doctrines of Christ are like roses on a bush. As long as they are on the bush, they are beautiful, sweet to smell, blooming with life. But we are not content to leave them there. We cut them, put them in our little vase, arrange them in an order that suits us, set them on a shelf in our little room, and admire them. But soon they wither, die, and begin to stink! So, too, the doctrines of Christ are beautiful, sweet, blooming with life in Christ, but only as they are seen in him. It is Christ we love. He is altogether lovely. Christ is life, not his doctrine. It is Christ to whom we must look. It is Christ who is our life. It is Christ who is beautiful. I do not suggest that we become indifferent to Christ's doctrine. But we are terribly foolish if we become so enamored with the doctrine of Christ that we become indifferent to Christ! To sleep in a bed of doctrinal indifference is just as evil as sleeping in a bed of worldly care. "It is high time to awake out of sleep!"

- Don Fortner

CHRIST CAME TO SAVE SINNERS

“This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.” (Timothy 1:15).

This is a faithful saying given by faithful men who were inspired by him who is Faithful and True. It is worthy of acceptance by all men, no matter if one is rich or poor, young or old, bond or free. This is a faithful saying that, *“Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.”*

Let us look at three facts.

First: Who came into the world to save sinners? Jesus Christ the Son of God, the one who is God manifested in the flesh. He is the anointed Messiah that should come into the world.

Second: What did He come to do? He came, *“To save sinners!”* He did not come to impress us by his miracles, He came to save sinners. He did not come to call the righteous, because there are none. He came to save hopeless, helpless sinners.

Third: How is He going to save sinners? He shall save them by himself. Christ shall bare their sins in his body on the tree. He shall tread the wine press of God’s wrath alone for them. ... *“When he had by himself purged our sins...”* (Hebrews 1: 3).

He shall bring in and establish an everlasting righteousness for them. Christ is the sinner’s Substitute. *“He hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.”* (2 COR. 5:21.) The Gospel is good news, but only to sinners.

- John Chapman (Spring Lake, NC)

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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