CALL TO WORSHIP

Leave It There # 353

SCRIPTURE READING

HYMN

Rock Of Ages # 126

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Lord willing, we will observe His table following the messages this morning.

- All who would like to help, we will make some room in the storage closet after service. There is a wide assortment of unused items there. If everyone will take an item to use/dispose of, it would be a big help.

CLOSING HYMN It Is Well With My Soul # 256

You will never find the true interpretation of any passage of scripture until you have found in it somewhere a revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ. Christ is the message and the subject of all the scriptures.

- David Eddmenson (Madisonville, KY)

Heart worship, heart love, and heart obedience are far more difficult than the outward forms and duties of religion because they are unseen, unrecognized, and unrewarded of men. I love the "pictures" of Christ found in the Old Testament scriptures. Yet we must be cautious not to love the "pictures" more than the "Person" whom they picture. My wife and I have a picture of our children hanging on the refrigerator. I look at that picture every day. I love to look at that picture. However, when my children come to visit, I don't get that picture out and look at it. I don't converse with their picture while they are there with me. I look, listen, talk and touch them, not their picture. If I love their picture more than I love them, then something is wrong with me and my love.

When we see Christ in the writings of Moses, the prophets and in the psalms, God's children love to see pictures of Him. Why? Because they love the One that is pictured. We must never love the picture more than the person. I love the pictures of my children and grandchildren because I love them. I love the "pictures" of my Lord, because He first loved me.

- David Eddmenson (Madisonville, KY)

Does the Preaching of Complete, Unconditional Salvation by Grace Alone Lead to Licentiousness?

Certainly not! Paul urged Titus to preach free grace, specifically to teach believers to "*maintain good works*." When reprobate men use the grace of God as a cloak for licentious behavior, the problem is not that grace has been exalted too much, but that there is no grace in their hearts. Good works are always the fruit of grace.

- Don Fortner

Romans 6: 14: For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace...7: 23: But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

God promises sin shall not have dominion over those bornagain of God. Yet, Paul declared his sin-nature brought his new man into captivity. Brethren, we are not antinomian. We delight in the law of God in the inward man. Our heart is to obey God and honor our Savior in all that we do. But the paradox is that God has left our new man in this body of death so that when we are brought into captivity by our sinnature, God keeps his holy child knowing two things.

One, God keeps us knowing that in the sin-nature "I am carnal sold under sin, in my flesh dwells no good thing, O wretched man that I am!" Two, the Spirit keeps us crying out to God alone for deliverance and by God the Father continuing to deliver us through Christ Jesus, we know and thank God that it is only by our Prophet, Priest and King that "sin shall not have dominion over us for we are not under the law but under grace." This is how the Spirit keeps giving us strength to mortify the deeds of the flesh and walking after HIM!

- Clay Curtis (Ewing, NJ)

- Scott Richardson

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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." 1Cor 1v23-24

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[&]quot;Jesus wept. Then said the Jews, behold how he loved him!" If the Jews discerned the great love of Christ to Lazarus by his tear, can we not discern his love to us by his shedding his blood for us?