

CALL TO WORSHIP

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SCRIPTURE READING

Sun – Bob M.

Wed – Cass H.

HYMN

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- As our Lord is pleased, we plan to observe His table this morning, No meal following.

- Next Sunday, June 11th 2-5 pm, everyone is invited to our home for Jared's graduation party. Food will be provided.

CLOSING HYMN

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When I was 20 years old I made a profession of faith. Someone said to me, you are now a saved sinner to which I replied, 'I used to be a sinner, but not now. Two years later I heard the gospel and the Lord did save me, and I have been a sinner ever since.

- John Chapman (Spring Lake, NC)

Beginning to end, whatever the trial, it is only when we are brought to behold our total helplessness that God delivers his child into Christ our Rest. God waits to deliver us so that we know that he alone does it all!

- Clay Curtis (Ewing, NJ)

PERSEVERANCE AND PRESERVATION

“And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me” (Jer. 32:40).

Believers do continue to abide faithful to the gospel (1 John 2:28), to the Lord Jesus and to the work of the ministry where the Lord has placed them, because they love the Lord Jesus Christ (1Cor. 13:13) and they are kept by His power (1Peter 1:5).

There are two sides to this blessed truth, like that of faith and repentance where you find one you find the other. Along with perseverance of the saints, we see the dynamic, sovereign and vigorous power of God's keeping grace, we call that preservation. God keeps them sealed until the day of final glory (Eph. 1:13-14). His sheep shall never perish (John 10:27-30).

- Tom Harding (Pikeville, KY)

CONTENDERS OR PRETENDERS?

“Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.” (Jude 1:3).

Those who are **not** earnestly contending “for the faith” (the gospel of God's sovereign and free grace in Christ) are only mere pretenders in a false refuge of lies (Isa. 28:15; Matt. 7:21-23). Those who are earnestly and eagerly contending “for the faith” are those that are not ashamed of the gospel of Christ (Rom.1:16-17). Those who fervently contend “for the faith” are those who publicly preach it (Acts 5:42; Phil. 1:27), faithfully support it (Cor. 9:7), zealously identify themselves where the gospel is preached (Heb. 10:25), ardently pray for God's blessing upon it (2Thes. 3:1), dogmatically defend it against all opposition (Gal. 5:1-5; Phil. 1:17; 1Tim. 6:3-5), and assertively insist that there is but one gospel (Gal. 1:6- 10; Eph. 4:4-6). Now the question for us is this, are we genuine and legitimate **contenders** or wretched and desolate **pretenders**?

- Tom Harding (Pikeville, KY)

IN CHRIST JESUS

The chosen child of God finds all their comfort in one place alone. **“In Christ Jesus.”** Here are just a few of the glorious truths and promises concerning the saved sinners who are found in Christ Jesus.

In Christ Jesus there is redemption. *“Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.”* (Romans 3:24)

In Christ Jesus there is no condemnation. *“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.”* (Romans 8:1)

In Christ Jesus there is inseparable love. *“(nothing or no one) shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”* (Romans 8:39)

In Christ Jesus we are given wisdom, made righteous, sanctified, and redeemed. *“But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.”* (1 Corinthians 1:30)

In Christ Jesus we have great hope. *“If in this life only we have hope in Christ...”* (1 Corinthians 15:19) *“To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.”* (Colossians 1:27)

In Christ Jesus we are blessed with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places. *“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.”* (Ephesians 1:3)

In Christ Jesus we are God’s workmanship. *“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.”* (Ephesians 2:10)

In Christ Jesus we are made nigh by His blood. *“But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.”* (Ephesians 2:13)

In Christ Jesus we are made perfect. *“Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.”* (Colossians 1:28)

In Christ Jesus salvation is obtained. *“Therefore I endure all things for the elect’s sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.”* (2 Timothy 2:10)

Are you in Christ Jesus?

- David Eddmenson (Madisonville, 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.”

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June 4th, 2023

Service Times

Sunday - 9:45 AM

- 10:30 AM

Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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