CALL TO WORSHIP All Hail The Power # 42

HYMN

Rock Og Ages # 126

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We plan to have a fellowship meal following the morning service. Bring what you Lord has enabled you.

CLOSING HYMN I Will Sing The Wondrous Story # 468

"shall there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done it?" - Amos 3:6b.

Oh, what comfort we have in knowing that our God is the first cause of **all** things. "And we know that **all** things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." Rom 8:28. He hath made **everything** beautiful in His time Eccl. 3:11. Faith simply waits upon the Lord.

Because the unbeliever has made God to be altogether such a one as themselves, they will sacrifice His sovereignty and omnipotence on the altar of human 'love'. They say, 'a loving God would not...'. Truth is, God is love, and everything that is, He has done perfect and right.

"This Do In Remembrance Of Me" Luke 22:19

How many times have we read this commandment without pausing to consider its implications? It is inscribed upon almost every communion table. But why did our Lord speak these particular words when he established the Lord's Supper as a perpetual ordinance in his church?

The first thing <u>implied</u> in these words is that this ordinance is for believers only. In order to remember Christ, you must first know him. If you know Christ, the table is spread for you.

Second, these words reveal the love of Christ for us. Our Savior would not care for us to remember him if he did not love us. But love longs to be remembered. "Having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end." And our Lord Jesus, just as he was leaving this world, whispered into the ear of his bride, "Remember me."

And third, this command implies a horrible tendency in us to forget our Redeemer. We do not like to admit it, but we all know by painfully bitter experience that it is so. We often forget our Savior, even when we gather in his name to hear his Word, sing his praise, and worship before his throne. The cares of the world, the trials of life, the temptations of Satan, and the corruptions of our own wicked hearts are sometimes so overwhelming that we forget the One who loved us and gave himself for us. Our minds and our hearts are taken up with the things we see. Therefore, because our Lord remembers that we are dust, he graciously established this ordinance that we might, in observing it, remember him. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to us saying, "This is my body which is given for you." Likewise, he took the wine and gave it to us saying, "Drink ye all of it; for this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." "This do in remembrance of me."

What is the Christian to do in the world? What is his mission?

Here it is—"As Thou hath sent me into the world, even so have I sent them into the world" (John 20:21). This is the Christian 's mission; he is not to shut himself within the walls of a monastery or convent. Christianity does not consist of joining a brotherhood or sisterhood. What did he come to do? To glorify God. How did he live? By the Father. "As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father; so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me" (John 6:57). This makes it all so simple; Christ is the standard for everything. It is not a question of mere right or wrong according to human rules. It is simply a question, is it worthy of the Lord Jesus Christ?

- Scott Richardson

"THE RIGHTEOUS ALSO SHALL HOLD ON HIS WAY" Job 17:9

What this scripture is saying is that the believer shall continue to believe, rest in Christ, and die in faith. There are no exceptions. "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me; and I give unto them eternal life; and THEY SHALL NEVER PERISH" (John 10:27-28). The righteous shall indeed hold his way; for THE WAY is HIS way (the Lord's way), and it is his way also (the believer's way). The believer loves and prefers the way of the Lord. He walks this way willingly.

- 1. He may not always travel with EQUAL SPEED, but he will continue therein. He may not hold his pace, but he will hold his way.
- 2. He may not always travel with EQUAL ENTHUSIASM and zeal, but he will hold his way.
- 3. He may not always travel with EQUAL SUCCESS, but he will hold his way; for he knows even his weakness magnifies the Lord's strength.

- Henry Mahan

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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."

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Service Times

Sunday - 9:45 AM

- 10:30 AM

Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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