

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**Come, Thou Fount #17**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS / SCRIPTURE / PRAYER

- This week as we celebrate Thanksgiving with our families, let us be mindful of God's mercy and grace to us as a church family.
  - Pastor John Reeves is scheduled to preach here Wednesday evening, December 4 at 6:30 pm.
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## HYMN

**Ye Must be Born Again #194**

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## MESSAGE - "Who Are the Blessed of God?"

**Matthew 5:1-12 - brother Bob Miller**

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## CLOSING HYMN

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness #40**

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### A Loving Husband

It is easy to submit to someone who loves us sacrificially. For a man to insist that his wife submit to his authority without earning her respect by putting her needs before his own, can only cause resentment. The Lord proved His love for His wife by giving Himself for her. He always speaks kindly to her. He is always tender and patient with her. He reminds her constantly how precious she is to Him. She in return, delights in submission to His loving authority. "Husbands love your wives even as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for it" (Ephesians 5:22-33).

- pastor Greg Elmquist

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Noah was called a preacher of righteousness. For 120 years he preached a holy and righteous God, and Christ the believer's righteousness. Think about it. He preached for 120 years and did not see one convert . . . not one! Not one person came into that ark, except his family. But then. Imagine how grateful Noah was for those 7 souls . . . his family. I'll bet Noah continued preaching afterward . . . to just 7 souls. And he was mighty thankful for this little congregation.

- pastor Paul Mahan

## "I Am the resurrection, and the life."

*John 11:25*

How often we sink into places where we are in our feelings dead men. Has sin never slain you? Have convictions never, so to speak, knocked the life of God out of your soul? Has Satan never come with his fiery darts, with all the artillery of hell, and sought to scorch up every gracious feeling and living desire? And have you not sunk at times in your soul into such miserable deadness of spirit, that it seemed that not only there and then you were devoid of all grace, but that it was an impossibility for grace ever again to renew and revive your soul?

Here you were dead. I have often been here, which enables me to describe it to you. Yet with all this, there is a longing look, a heartfelt groan, a heaving sigh, a resisting unto blood, not an utter giving way, nor sinking down into miserable despair. God the Spirit kept alive His work upon the soul, and Christ Himself as the resurrection dropped into our bosom, raised up and drew forth towards Himself some fresh movements of that life which is in Him. Thus is fulfilled that gracious consequence of His resurrection, "he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live," (John 11:25).

Oh, amid all our deadness, all our gloom and desolation, all our emptiness, barrenness, and helplessness, if there be in our souls a longing look, a heartfelt cry, an earnest groan, a sincere desire toward Him Who is the resurrection, our prayer will ascend into His pitying, sympathizing ear. Because He is the resurrection, He will once more raise up into life and feeling our dead and drooping soul. We have no other source of life. If we were altogether and really dead, we would always continue dead unless He were the resurrection, but because He is the resurrection, He can re-animate, revive, renew, and re-quicken us by pouring into our hearts fresh life and feeling. It will be our mercy to be ever looking unto Him, hanging upon Him, believing in Him, trusting to Him, and giving Him no rest until He appear again and again to the joy and rejoicing of our heart.

- J. C. Philpot

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"The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth." - *Psalms 145:18*

## I Did Not "Get Saved" - Christ Saved Me

Quite some time ago a man asked a question to one of our brethren concerning this congregation. He said: "Is anybody getting saved down there?" Depending on what denomination a person attends, that means: Have you gotten anybody to speak in tongues yet? Or have you gotten anybody to get baptized yet? Or some other thing that religion tries to get men and women to do.

Salvation is not in what we can get men and women to do. Salvation is in what Christ has already done! The terminology of a believing child of God is NOT: "I got saved", but "Christ saved me!" Usually a man who "gets saved" will get lost after awhile. But if God the Spirit ever reveals to a sinner that salvation is not his choice – God the Father chose to give him to Christ His Son! And salvation is not in any work the he must or can do – God the Son accomplished the work of His salvation to the fullest through the shedding of His own blood! Once it is revealed to a sinner that by the death of the Lord Jesus Christ "*It is finished!*" that sinner will no longer wonder if anybody is "getting saved", but he will cry: "*Salvation is of the Lord!*" (*Jonah 2:9*) The Lord will add daily to the church such as should be saved! (*Acts 2:47*) All that the Father has given to Christ shall come to Christ! And the sinner that comes to Christ, Christ will in no wise cast him out! (*John 6:37*) None shall be lost! (*John 17:12*) Every truly saved sinner will cry: I did not "get saved," CHRIST SAVED ME!

- pastor Gabe Stalnaker

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To come to Christ is simply to believe on Him, to trust Him, to rest your soul upon the merits of His righteousness and shed blood. It is not in anyway to be confused with a physical act. It is not coming to the front of the church, coming to the waters of baptism, or coming to a soul-winner that saves. It is coming to Christ. It is not coming to know and understand the truth about Christ, but coming to Christ, who is Himself the Way, the Truth, and the Life, that saves your soul. If you will come to Christ in true faith, He will save you. There is but one question – Will you come?

- Don Fortner

# San Diego Grace Fellowship

***"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."***

*Revelation 22:17*

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Service Times

Sunday - 10:30 AM

Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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"Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."

Matthew 11:29