## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

## Brethren, We Have Met to Worship #15

## ANNOUNCEMENTS / SCRIPTURE / PRAYER

March birthdays:

- Kyle Jonilionis 5th; Sarah Vargas 21st; Mike Smith 29th
- We received a couple notes of encouragement from brother Andre last weekend, and from a pastor of Kebere Fellowship Church in Kenya. Both notes will be left on the table in the back if you'd like to read them.

## **HYMN**

Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord #337

## **MESSAGES**

-pastor Gabe Stalnaker

"There Is No God Else Beside Me" 2 T

2 Tim 3:13-14; Isa 45:16-21

"Look Unto Me and Be Ye Saved"

Isaiah 45:21-22

## **CLOSING HYMN**

# Rock of Ages #126

It was at the tree of the knowledge of good and evil that the First Adam fell. There he plunged his whole race, all whom he represented, into sin and death (Genesis 2:17, 3:6-8; Romans 5:12).

It was at the cursed tree, the tree of the cross that the Last Adam triumphed gloriously. There he redeemed his whole race, all whom he represented, with his own precious blood. He gave them life from the dead. He obtained the forgiveness of their sins and reconciled them to Holy God. By his Spirit the enmity is put away from them and they are adopted into the family of God (Colossians 2:13-15; Ephesians 2:13-16, 1:4-5).

-pastor Eric Lutter

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

-Isaac Watts

#### And Have Not Charity

Paul spoke of some very wonderful things he could do: speak with the tongue of an angel, have the gift of prophecy, understand all the mysteries of Scripture, possess miracle working faith, give all to feed the poor, and be burned at the stake as a martyr. But if he did not have charity, it was all meaningless. This charity or love is a supernatural thing. It is a fruit of the Holy Spirit and is not found in the natural man. Love can be known only by the actions it prompts. God's love to us is seen in the gift of His Son. Our love to Him is seen in how we treat His people. The love that is not in word, but in deed and truth. This is the will of the Lord Jesus Christ concerning all His loved ones — "A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another: as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another."

-pastor Todd Nibert

#### **Cure for Care**

- 1. We have entirely too many fears for a people to whom the Lord has said, 'Fear thou not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee, yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness' (Isa. 41:10.)
- 2. We have far too many doubts and fears concerning God's mercy, love, and grace for a people to whom the Lord has said, 'Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out...I give unto them eternal life, and they shall never perish' (John 6: 37; 10: 28.)
- 3. We spend entirely too much time grumbling and complaining about our trials and troubles for a people to whom the Lord has said, 'In the world ye shall have tribulation but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world' (John 16: 33.)
- 4. We have entirely too much attachment to this world and to this present life for a people who are looking for a city whose Builder and Maker is God (Heb. 11:8-10). "We know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens" (2 Cor. 5:1).

-Henry Mahan

## A Faith Untried is Unproven

The heat from a fiery trial will not leave the heart unchanged. The lasting effects of that fire will be determined by the nature of the heart. Like the effects of the noonday sun, hearts of wax will be melted, while hearts of clay will be hardened. The questions and confusions that naturally come to the heart and mind in a time of great trouble will cause some to accuse God of wrongdoing. They will become disillusioned, and some will use it as an excuse to justify their unbelief.

Other hearts will be greatly softened. They will be strengthened in their faith. They will see more clearly their need for a sovereign, omnipotent, and loving Savior to keep them. They will draw nearer to the throne of grace to find help in their time of need. This is a work of sovereign grace. David, a man after God's own heart, after having been confronted by God for taking another man's wife and having that innocent man killed, wrote; "Create in me a clean heart, oh God; and renew a right spirit within me". Ps 51:10.

-pastor Greg Elmquist

## What Do We Really Need?

People think the world would be a better place if we could just put men in a better environment. They think there would be less crime if the government would provide for all of their needs. They think there would be fewer people on drugs if everyone were in a situation where they felt loved and appreciated. They think we would have peaceful home lives if everyone weren't under so much pressure.

They couldn't be more wrong. Man's problem is not his environment. Man's problem is his nature. Adam was in a perfect environment where everything was provided for him and he had the friendship of God. Yet Adam still sinned. The problem with our environment is that Adam's sin has put nature under the curse of sin. Man does not need a better environment. Men need Christ to be our Savior! Men need God to move in grace and give us a new heart and a new nature in the new birth!

-pastor Frank Tate

# 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 Bible Study - 10:15 AM Sunday Service - 11:00 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