

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, Thou Fount #17

ANNOUNCEMENTS / SCRIPTURE / PRAYER

- April birthdays: Mark Iverson -8th
 - Pastor Rick Warta from Yuba-Sutter Grace Church is scheduled to preach here on Wednesday evening, April 23. Mark your calendar.
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HYMN

Hallelujah, What a Savior! #127

MESSAGES

-brother Rex Bartley

"It Is Finished"

John 19:1-30

"Behold My Hands and Feet"

Luke 24:13-53

CLOSING HYMN

There Is a Fountain #222

We should never be surprised by anything the unbelieving do. Our day is no different than days past and will be no different until our Savior delivers all the redeemed into the new heaven and new earth. What we see around us every day is the result of Adam's one transgression. It is difficult to say which proves the sin of our own flesh more, our shock at sin or our indifference to it. But what is most wonderful is that our great Shepherd prepares a table before us right here in the midst of Babylon. Let us be grateful that our Savior is King of kings and Lord of lords ruling everything that comes to pass and that he has anointed our head with oil and makes our cup run over.

-pastor Clay Curtis

Those who seek Christ, when they have found him, will jealously guard his blessed presence. Our Lord is not indifferent about the conduct of his people. There are many things that will drive him from us and destroy our fellowship with him. "And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption" (Ephesians 4:30). Anger, wrath and malice, pride, slander and vengeance, love of the world, envy and strife are all things that grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom we are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let us take care not to grieve him. Rather, let us walk in the Spirit, as followers of Christ, loving, forgiving, submitting to, and serving one another for the glory of God.

-Don Fortner

How Should We Dress for Worship Services?

Many people answer this question according to their opinion, culture, or custom. But opinions differ from person to person, cultures vary from place to place, customs change from time to time. Consequently, Jesus walking into a worship service wearing His seamless robe would be unacceptable in most churches and scandalous in some. Holy Scriptures do not dictate on this subject. But they are not silent regarding it. Here are some guidelines to follow in answer to the question "How should we dress for worship services?"

First, "put on the Lord Jesus Christ" (Romans 13:14). To "put on" someone was an ancient figure of speech meaning to imitate him and be like him. Therefore, let us imitate Jesus and be like Him in our worship services, as when He told our heavenly Father "I will declare Your name to My brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will sing praise to You" (Hebrews 2:12 / Psalm 22:22).

Second, wear "the garments of salvation (Isaiah 61:10). These are the holy spiritual garments in which the Lord clothes His people from head to toe when He saves them. These garments of salvation are free. If you do not have them, obtain them now by trusting in the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for your salvation.

Third, wear "the robe of righteousness" (Isaiah 61:10). This garment was woven by Jesus Christ through His perfect and complete fulfillment of God's law during the days of His incarnation. It is imputed to all whom God justifies. It also is freely and graciously received by trusting in the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Let us never be found dressed in the "filthy rags" of self-righteousness (Isaiah 64:6).

Fourth, wear the "white garments" Jesus exhorts us to purchase by faith in Him – "that you may be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed" (Revelation 3:18). Nothing approaching nakedness should be found in a worship service. And we should keep our garments white by not defiling them through contact with worldliness (Revelation 3:4).

Fifth, be "clothed with gladness" (Psalm 30:11). It is contrasted to "sackcloth", the garment of mourners, which we formerly wore. Jesus clothes us with gladness when He saves us. We therefore read: "You

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have put off my sackcloth [my mourning] and clothed me with gladness, to the end that my glory may sing praise to You and not be silent. O Jehovah my God, I will give thanks to You forever.” This is especially true in our worship services (Psalm 100).

Sixth, we consequently wear “the garment of praise” (Isaiah 61:3). For, when Jesus saves us, He gives to us “the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; ... that He may be glorified.” Now, instead of woefully mourning for our sins, we gladly praise the One who saved us from them.

Seventh, “be clothed with humility, for ‘God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble’” (1 Peter 5:5, alluding to Proverb 3:34). Do not come to a worship service boasting of yourself, your virtues, or your works. God is not impressed with them. Neither are His saints. Rather, come to the worship service boasting of Jesus and what He has done for you.

Surely we will be appropriately dressed for a worship service if we come to it clothed in these garments:

- the Lord Jesus Christ,
- the garments of His salvation,
- the robe of His righteousness,
- the undefiled white garments,
- the garment of gladness for Him,
- the garment of praise to Him,
- and in humility.

Indeed, these garments are appropriate for our everyday clothing.

–pastor Daniel E. Parks

Why was I made to hear His voice,
And enter while there's room,
When thousands make a wretched choice,
And rather starve than come!
'Twas the same love that spread the feast,
That sweetly forced us in;
Else we had still refused to taste
And perished in our sin.

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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*