

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, Thou Almighty King #6

ANNOUNCEMENTS / SCRIPTURE / PRAYER

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

I Love to Tell the Story #431

MESSAGES

-pastor Gabe Stalnaker

- **Scriptures Given For a Reason** **2 Timothy 3:16-17**
 - **The Kindness of the Lord** **John 6:1-13**
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CLOSING HYMN

O to be Like Thee! #316

Heirs of God's Grace

"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be glorified together." - *Romans 8:16-17*

Here we learn from the Holy Scriptures that God's Spirit testifies and gives evidence unto our spirit, that new spirit imparted in regenerating grace through the preaching of the Gospel, that we are God's children, adopted in Christ Jesus. The blessed witness, the witness from God's Spirit that the sheep are heirs of God's grace and blessings and are joint-heirs with Christ, is a testimony of indescribable comfort and joy. The natural unregenerate man, the old man born in Adam, will not receive or believe the witness of the Gospel, it's foolishness unto him, but to every one born from above, it is a witness received by faith in the day of God's power.

-pastor Marvin Stalnaker

"This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

-*John 15:12-13*

Past Feeling

"Who being past feeling have given themselves over..."

Ephesians 4:19

What a horrible state to be in... past feeling, incapable of feeling, without any emotion, indifferent and unmoved by the Word of God. All believers get into a bad state, they all go through spiritual droughts and coldness, but to be always lukewarm, to reach a state of being past feeling is to be reprobate and apostate.

The Word of God is heavenly music to the ears of those given ears to hear. It is at times a joyful sound which causes them to dance with joy, and at other times a mournful tune, which causes them to lament (Matt.11:17). It is a savor of life to life, that is, those who are alive respond to it. But alas, it is also a savor of death to death, that is, those who are spiritually dead do not respond to it. And the sad thing is, the one who is past feeling does not know it, nor will they mourn over it and call upon God to deliver them from it.

The first thing the Holy Ghost does in regeneration is to quicken a dead sinner with feelings of guilt over sin. He convinces (convicts) of sin, righteousness and judgment. A sinner, once dead in sins, through the preaching of the gospel, is suddenly aware of his sinfulness and is convicted in his mind, heart and conscience of his sin(s) against God and his rejection of God's Son. He begins to hate the sin(s) he once loved and be repulsed by it (them). He begins to be sensitive to sin(s) in himself and all around him. Like Lot living in Sodom, the now regenerated sinner is vexed by all around him and in him. But if he later becomes insensitive to sin, without conviction, without repulsion... he has need to worry that he is becoming past feeling. If we begin to love the sin we once hated; if we are comfortable with any sin, if we think of any sin as harmless and little, and indulge it and are unafraid of it... we have need to worry that we are becoming past feeling.

If you find yourself cold, unmoved, without emotion when the Word of God is preached ... if you feel cold and feel dead ... there is still hope. If you find yourself feeling guilt over sin, your conscience smiting you ... there is hope. Where there is feeling, there is life! You are not yet past feeling. We are not saved by feelings, nor should our

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feelings be our assurance or lack of it, but as living flesh has the sense of feeling, so does the living spirit of the believer. It is that new creature, alive unto God, which causes him to cry, laugh, mourn and rejoice when the quickening Word of God is preached. So ... if and when we find ourselves without response to the life giving sound of God's Word, CRY unto God to quicken you, to break your heart again, to warm your spirit, to restore unto you the joy of His salvation. How terrible to be past feeling!

-pastor Paul Mahan

Is Christ Sufficient?

In all the heresies that have troubled the church over the last 2000 years, there is, in truth, only one heresy – The Insufficiency of Christ. No matter what form a heresy may take – free-willism, ceremonialism, legalism, moralism and so forth - the underlying issue is a lack of belief that Christ is the necessary and sufficient Savior for sinners. We need Him, and He is all we need.

In a very real sense, many shall perish forever, not because they did not have enough, but because they had too much. They believed that Christ was necessary for their salvation, but they prove they do not believe that Christ is sufficient for they act as though the salvation brought by Christ is waiting for them to do something that activates or supplements the work of Christ.

But the glory of the gospel of Christ is that its success rests entirely on the work of the Lord Jesus Christ. The gospel of God requires nothing from us. It comes to us as sinners, expecting nothing from us other than sin. Even the faith by which we lay hold of Christ does not arise from our natural selves but is a gift from God, given to us without us asking for it, worked in us by the power of the Spirit of God as He imparts new spiritual life to us through the New Birth.

Everything in the gospel is designed so that “he who boasts, boasts in the Lord.” The praise of heaven does not contain a single word about the works of man. Rather, every syllable is toward the Son of God. He did it; He did it all; He did it well!

-Joe Terrell

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*