OPENING HYMN #449

To God Be The Glory

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Pastor John Chapman from Bethel Baptist Church in Spring Lake North Carolina scheduled to preach here next weekend, November 17th and 18th. The Lord willing we plan to meet Saturday at 6:30 pm, with supper following the service, and Sunday at our usual time. There will be a sign up sheet available if you would like to help out with the meal planning.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

WORSHIP HYMN #354

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

OFFERING

"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, *so let him give*; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." *2 Cor 9:7*

WORSHIP HYMN #231

Jesus Saves!

MESSAGE

MY GOSPEL AND THE MYSTERY

ROMANS 16:24-27

CLOSING HYMN #256

It Is Well With My Soul

THINGS TO PONDER

DISCONTENTMENT is the penalty we must pay for being ungrateful for what we have. Very little is needed to make a happy life; but unfortunately, one of the weaknesses of our age is an apparent inability to distinguish need from greed. Paul said, "Having food and raiment, let us be content." Remember, it is not the happy people who are thankful. It is the thankful people who are happy!

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Psalm 100:4

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

When is a Sinner Saved?

Men have debated this questions for millenniums. Most of the controversy stems from man's effort to reconcile the temporal to the eternal. Living in a world of time and space, he tries to define the when in this question as a single event! Scripture settles all controversies. So, what sayeth the scriptures?

- 1. God's elect were saved in the covenant of grace established by God in eternity past. II Timothy 1:9; Is. 45:17; II Thes. 2:13.
- 2. God's elect were saved when Christ bore their sins on Calvary's Cross 2000 years ago. Rom 5:9-10; Jer. 23:6.
- 3. God's elect are saved when they hear the gospel as the gospel and are made willing to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. Titus 3:5; Eph 2:8; Rom. 10:9-13.
- 4. God's elect are continuing to be saved as they are kept by the power of God to keep coming in faith to Christ. Is. 64:5; I Peter 2:4.
- 5. God's elect will be saved when they are taken to glory to see their Savior face to face and be made like Him (sinless). Rev.12:10; II Peter 3:12-15; I Peter 1:9.

All five of these glorious truths (Election, Redemption, Regeneration, Sanctification and Glorification) are necessary for a sinner's salvation. Let others speak of when they "got saved". We don't hang the hopes of our salvation on one subjective experience in time. Our faith is in Him who does all the saving. We have been saved; we are being saved; and we shall be saved. "And being made perfect He became the author of ETERNAL SALVATION unto all them that obey Him." Heb 5:9.

-Pastor Greg Elmquist

His Work, His Ministry

1 Corinthians 3:7

So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.

I recently read that C. H. Spurgeon often worked 18 hours a day. Famous explorer and missionary David Livingstone once asked him, "How do you manage to do two men's work in a single day?" Spurgeon replied, "You have forgotten that there are two of us."

A man's ministry only becomes "a true ministry" when he sees that it is God's work and not his.

-Pastor David Eddmenson

Who Died?

As I read an obituary column, I never cease to be amazed at how quickly the life of a man is summed up. What seems should take volumes to recap (that is, a man's life) is simply reduced to three words – "And he died."

Rich and poor, young and old are all brought to the same certain end. There is an appointment for every man "once to die, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). The carnal man scrambles to attain in this life what seems, to him, will sustain now and forever. He believes that his own free will has written an obituary of peace before God and that his own arm of power has secured for himself a place in glory.

A believer, on the other hand, knows that in the Day of the Lord any peace, any hope, any joy is going to be summed up in one eternal fact. That fact singularly reveals God to be well pleased with Christ and those found in Him. This obituary will forever ring in eternity to the praise of the glory of His grace – "He died for me".

-Pastor Marvin Stalnaker

Our Sufficiency is of God

"Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves." We are not sufficient to communicate the Spirit, truth, or grace, of God to men; nor sufficient to discern, read, think, or judge, aright of a work of grace upon the hearts of men.

"But our sufficiency is of God." Our light, knowledge, grace, that we have, are of God's free gift; and so is all the success that has attended our labours. And, as for our discernment into your hearts, and knowledge of the goodness of your state, they are of God also; which he gives us light to see; and knowledge to judge of, and a persuasion in our own hearts that our judgment of you is true. Moreover, he told me "to speak boldly at Corinth, for he had much people in that city." And it was by us that ye were called.

God may use others, even men of one talent, graceless men, to cast a little light upon his word, and on your minds, and to furnish his spiritual exchangers with some sound expressions for prayer and conversation; but he never uses nor honours these in converting souls to himself; for, "if ye have ten thousand instructors, ye have not many fathers; I have begotten you," through the gospel; therefore our sufficiency is of God.

- William Huntington (1745-1813)

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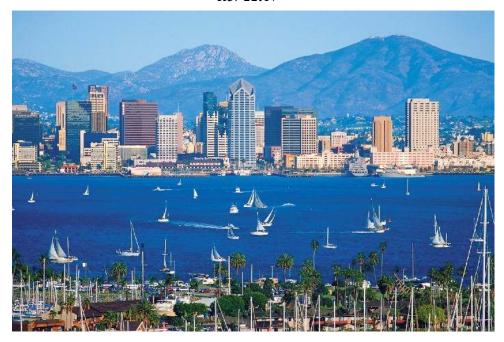
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"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

Rev 22:17



"But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him." *1Cor 8:6*