OPENING HYMN

Sat: #512 Saved By Grace

Sun: #186 The Church's One Foundtion

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Brother Michael Smith from Rescue Baptist Church in Rescue, Ca is visiting us this weekend. We plan to enjoy a fellowship dinner immediatly following the service tonight, all are welcome. Tomorrow Michael will preach our regular morning service.
- Next week Lord willing, Brother Eric Floyd from Hurricane Road Baptist Church in Ashland, Ky will be visiting. We plan to meet again on Saturday evening at 6:30 with a fellowship meal afterwords, and Sunday for our regular service.

SCRIPTURE READING

Sat: 1 John 4:7-21

Sun: Romans 9:1-33

WORSHIP HYMN

Sat: #351 Near the Cross

Sun: #58 Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee

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

Sun: #125 Jesus Paid it All

MESSAGE	
SAT - THE FULLNESS OF GOD'S LOVE	EPHESIANS 3:14-19
SUN - THE UNCHANGING MERCY OF GOD	Malachi 1:1-3

CLOSING HYMN

Sat: #460 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Sun: #61 The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

THINGS TO PONDER

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. -Hebrews 11:1

Two lessons taught by Esau

The birthright which Esau despised and sold for a morsel of meat (Hebrews 12:16) was not the natural inheritance of his father but, all of the promises of God in the coming redeemer. To him, it was just spiritual folklore and superstitious tradition. While the concept of such things may have a moral good and offer some future comfort to the dying, he could not see their immediate value. (Genesis 25:32) He saw more value in a bowl of red stew than he did in the gospel of Gods' covenant redeemer. There are two things here that were true of Esau and are true of all those who hear the gospel and laugh it to scorn.

First, is that the birthright was his. All he had to do was receive it. He had no work to be done and no price to pay. It was his to embrace, rejoice in, and be thankful for. So it is when the gospel is preached. "—the Spirit and the bride say, come. And let him that heareth say, come. And let him that is athirst, come. And whosever will, let him take the water of life freely. (Revelation 22:17) But having heard the gospel they trade it off, like an unwanted piece of furniture, for whatever present need or want they have.

The second thing that I see in Esau ,and all those like him , is that the birthright was never theirs. By divine decree, through an eternal election of grace, God gave the birthright to Jacob (Romans 9: 10-13) In these two sons of Isaac, God will establish forever the purpose of God according to election. It is established as to the author of it, the way of it, and the objects of it. "So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of Go that sheweth mercy." (Romans 9: 16)

As best I can, I preach to all who will give me a hearing. I do my best to set before them the full free gospel of Gods' sovereign grace in Christ. But, the hope that sustains me is Gods' eternal purpose to save a people for the glory of his name. "all that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." (John 6: 37)

-Pastor Darvin Pruitt.

Rest

Rest is a sweet word to the weary soul; all seek it but only believers find it. Paul wrote, "We which have believed do enter into REST" (Heb. 4:3). He did not say we shall enter but we DO enter into rest.

There is a sweet repose, a calm peace, and a sweet rest in Christ. We can trust Him to forgive the past, provide for the present, and guarantee the future. If you can believe God, you will find in Christ all you need.

"Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth." *Romans 8:33*

Believers know and understand that by Christ they are justified firom ALL things, from which they could not be justified by the law, (Acts 13:39). Justification is that act whereby God declares His elect righteous, by the perfect obedience of the Lord Jesus Christ as their Representative. Because of Him, their sins are forgiven, and God the Father looks on them as if they had always obeyed. All this being true, consider further how in ALL things, the believer in Christ is justified before God. No one can even bring an accusation against the believer which God will hear or consider. "Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect?" literally means "to call in." None can call in the believer before God with any charge against him, without the Lord Jesus Christ taking his defense. Believers are "blameless" before Him (I Corinthians 1:8) or "above reproach" (Colossians 1:22).

The believer's hope and assurance is that this standing is not affected by what he or she does or doesn't do. God's attitude toward believers is not based upon any goodness or weakness in them. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ as Mediator and High Priest, the believer has a permanent standing in the love, grace, and mercy of the Father. At no time will any believer ever be called into God's court of justice to defend his position, because that position is always one of "blamelessness" because of the Lord Jesus. It is because of this that all who are in Christ will be found blameless before Him at His coming, 1 Corinthians 1:8. The believer in Christ, according to God's Word, enjoys this 3-fold blessing.

· NO CONDEMNATION- Romans 8:1

· NO SEPARATION- Romans 8:38,39

· NO ACCUSATION- Romans 8:33

Do believers abuse this privilege as a cover for their sin? God forbid! Hear the Word of the Lord. "The foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity." 2 Timothy 2:19

-Pastor Greg Elmquist

When our transgressions were laid on Christ, made His, and borne by Him, when He carried them all away in the stream of His precious blood, He made satisfaction for us. Thus, the Christ of God finished our transgressions (Daniel 9:24). They shall never be seen or brought up again!

- Pastor Don Fortner

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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*