OPENING HYMN

Sat: #296 All The Way My Savior Leads Me

Sun: #36 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Brother Kevin Thacker from Sovereign Grace Baptist Church in Ewing, New Jersey is preaching for us this weekend.

And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

-Romans 10:15

SCRIPTURE READING

Sat: Romans 8:6-25

Sun: Colossians 3:1-17

WORSHIP HYMN

Sat: #287 Like A River Glorious

Sun: #295 He Leadeth Me

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: #449 To God Be the Glory

MESSAGE

SAT - JOB, A TYPE OF CHRIST

JOB 1:1-5

SUN - A BELIEVER'S ASSURANCE

1 SAMUEL 12:19-22

CLOSING HYMN

Sat: #359 My Faith Looks Up To Thee

Sun: #222 There Is a Fountain

THINGS TO PONDER

"You may impose all sorts of rules, regulations, requirements, rituals, and organizations on churches and individuals, but if the Lord does not have their hearts, it is all futile. However, a heart devoted to Christ is a heart in love; and true love needs none of these things. 'I am His and He is mine'."

-Pastor Henry Mahan

Glad Tidings of Good Things

Romans 10:15

To preach the gospel of the grace of God is to proclaim to helpless sinners salvation by the grace of God, through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (Eph. 2:8-9). We have good news for guilty men, glad tidings for despairing men, and good things to proclaim to hopeless men. The God whom you have offended is gracious. He has accomplished redemption by the sacrifice of his dear Son, the Lord Jeans Christ. And he gives that salvation freely to all who trust his Son. In Christ there is pardon for the guilty, peace for the conquered enemy, rest for the weary, a robe of righteousness for the naked, cleansing for the sinful, and life for the dead. All of this, and infinitely more, is given to all who believe. The gospel of the grace of God announces to poor, condemned sinners that God is prepared to deal with them in mercy. That is good news, indeed! But how can it be? How can a holy God forgive sin? How can God be just and yet justify the ungodly?

- 1. **GOD HAS FOUND A RANSOM** (Job 33:24). The Judge of all the earth has found a way to pardon sinners, and yet maintain his righteousness. God has devised a means whereby he can justify the ungodly, and yet be as just as if he had no mercy. He gave Christ to be the sinner's Substitute, to make a propitiation for sin (Rom. 3:24-26). In Christ, God has obeyed his own law, bringing in everlasting righteousness for sinners. In Christ, God has born his own wrath, satisfying divine justice for the redemption of sinners. In Christ, by his life of obedience and his sin-atoning death, God has reconciled sinners to himself.
- 2. NOW GOD, FOR CHRIST'S SAKE IS READY, WILLING, AND ABLE TO SAVE ALL WHO BELIEVE (Rom. 10:9-13). If you come to Christ, God will receive you into his favor. If you trust Christ, God will blot out your sins. If you believe Christ, God will place upon you the robe of Christ's perfect righteousness. Indeed, if you come to Christ, trusting him, believing him, God has already received you, forgiven you, and made you righteous in his sight. And it is his grace that gives you faith and causes you to come to Christ.

-Pastor Don Fortner

Christian, do not assume the presence of Christ in your daily walk, call upon Him early, seek Him out afresh and anew each day. Stand still and wait upon Him. Keep your eyes upon Him and you will never have to suppose Him to be in your company.

- Pastor Bruce Crabtree

Feeding Sheep, or Amusing Goats?

An evil is in the 'professed' camp of the Lord, so gross in its impudence, that the most shortsighted Christian can hardly fail to notice it. During the past few years this evil has developed at an alarming rate. It has worked like leaven until the whole lump ferments!

The devil has seldom done a more clever thing, than hinting to the Church that part of their mission is to provide entertainment for the people, with a view to winning them. From speaking out the gospel, the Church has gradually toned down her testimony, then winked at and excused the frivolities of the day. Then she tolerated them in her borders. Now she has adopted them under the plea of reaching the masses!

First, providing amusement for the people is nowhere spoken of in the Scriptures as a function of the Church. Where do entertainers come in? The Holy Spirit is silent concerning them. Were the prophets persecuted because they amused the people, or because they confronted them? The 'concert' has no martyr roll.

Second, providing amusement is in direct antagonism to the teaching and life of Christ and all His apostles.

When "many of His disciples turned back and no longer followed Him," I do not hear Him say, 'Run after these people, Peter, and tell them we will have a different style of service tomorrow; something short and attractive with little preaching. We will have a pleasant evening for the people. Tell them they will be sure to enjoy it! Be quick, Peter, we must get the people somehow!'

No! Jesus pitied sinners, sighed and wept over them, but never sought to amuse them!

Lastly, the Apostles did not cease from preaching Christ. They had no time for arranging entertainments. Scattered by persecution they went everywhere preaching the gospel. They turned the world upside down; that is the only difference from today's church. The need of the hour for today's ministry is earnest spirituality joined with Biblical doctrine, so understood and felt, that it sets men on fire.

Lord, clear the Church of all the rot and rubbish the devil has imposed on her, and bring us back to apostolic methods!

- Archibald Brown (1844-1922)

Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

-Isaiah 45:22

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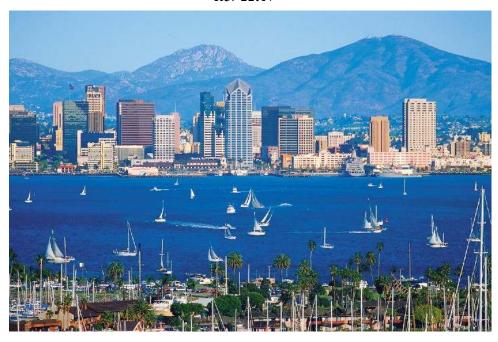
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"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

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