# **OPENING HYMN #449**

#### To God Be the Glory

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Kevin Thacker is scheduled to preach here next weekend. Lord willing, we will meet Saturday at 4pm and Sunday regular time with a time of food and fellowship following each service. Invite a friend! Please see Gwen or Dee Anne if you would like to help with the food.

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 7:6-29

### WORSHIP HYMN #175

Standing on the Promises

#### **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 #360

Speak, Lord, in the Stillness

#### MESSAGE

WONDERFUL IN COUNCIL, EXCELLENT IN WORKING

ISAIAH 28:23-20

#### **CLOSING HYMN #18**

Now Thank We All Our God

#### THINGS TO PONDER

I hear a lot about "reformation" in our day. There are reformed churches, reformed doctrine, reformed preachers and reformed believers, everything seems to be "reformed." The word "reform" means to "improve or to make better." If "reformation" means to improve myself or make myself better, then, I do not need reformation! What I need is a perfect righteousness. I surely cannot find any hope of eternal life in trying to make myself better, especially when God requires perfection. I do not need "reformation"; I need "regeneration." I do not need to get my heart right; I need a new heart that is right. The lost sinner does not need to just change their way; they need to change their God. I do not need to make myself "better", I need to be made "perfect." I do not need reformation, I need a "new creation", which can only be found in Christ.

- Pastor David Eddmenson

# The Only Issue!

Matthew 22: 41-42

Vainly religious men came to Christ trying to make the issue everything from sabbath days to washing hands before you eat. They made up vain scenarios to make the issue something other than Christ. (Mt 6:10; 15: 2; 19:3; 21: 23; 22: 17; 22: 28) But the Lord Jesus Christ declared there is only one issue to preach and believe when he asked them this question, "What think ye of Christ?" (Mt 22:41, 42) Christ is the only issue.

What do you think of Christ? The question is not what others think but what do you think of Christ."As a man thinketh with his heart so he is."(Pro 23: 7)"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Mt 6:21)"For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things."(Mt 12: 34-35) Cult leaders and false preachers have the same method of operation. In order to make disciples after themselves they make another banner to rally under other than Christ our Banner. They separate themselves in proud, arrogance, as they rebuke faithful, experienced elders. God says their spirit is of the devil.(Ja3: 13-18; 3 John 9-11; 2 Tim 2: 17-26)But Christ's true preacher and people say, "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God."(Jn 6: 67-69) Christ is "the one thing needful."(Lu 10: 41)When you meet Christ, you never grow beyond Christ."Christ is all!"(Col 3: 11) Is Christ all to you? What think ye of Christ?

There is far too much to preach concerning Christ to turn to meaningless babble. Christ's preacher and people never grow weary of preaching who Christ is: God in human flesh, the God Man.(Is 7:14) We never grow weary of preaching why Christ came: to save his people from our sins and to declare the righteousness of God. (Mt 1:21)We love preaching what Christ accomplished: "for by one offering he hath perfected forever them that are sanctified."(Heb 10: 12-14)We never grow weary of preaching where Christ is now, what he is doing now and what he shall do as our reigning Head who shall soon return again. (Eph 1: 20-23; 4: 11-16; Heb 9: 28)Christ is the whole counsel of God, the subject of all Scripture. Christ is the Bishop of our souls. Christ is the Author and Finisher of our faith. Christ is the Bread of life. Christ is the Captain of salvation. Christ is the Foundation, the Corner-stone, the Door, the Mediator, the Prince of life, the Rock, and the Shepherd. Christ is the Sun of Righteousness, the Light of the world, the Light of men, the Way, the Truth, and the Life! Christ is the Foundation of the church and of this world! It is not some literal ice foundation that holds

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this world in place. It is Christ! Everything thing made was made for him and glorifies him! Christ is Christianity. Christ is Salvation! Heaven will be Christ! He is our exceeding great reward!

What think ye of Christ! Never move away from Christ! If we are God's saints we never will by his sovereign, keeping grace!

-Pastor Clay Curtis

#### **No Exceptions!**

My English teacher in college, when speaking to us about the rules of grammar, would often say, "Now to some of these rules there are exceptions." Let me give you two rules which are absolutely without exception.

Rule number one: Every sin shall receive its just penalty and payment, and the wages of sin is death, the second death, eternal death and Hell! (Heb. 2:2; Rom. 6:23). The Holy God of the Bible, that God with whom we have to do, not only will not but cannot clear the guilty (Ex. 34:7). He is infinitely and unchangeably holy and just. All sin shall be punished, justly punished. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Rule number two: No sinner for whom the Lord Jesus lived, suffered and died as Substitute and Surety, will ever suffer at the hands of God, any penalty, for any sin! Justice God does demand, and justice God will have! "But justice God cannot twice demand, first at the bleeding Surety's hand; then again at mine!" NO EXCEPTIONS!

Dear sinner, there is, right now, "no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus" (Rom. 8:1). In Christ Jesus, through faith in Him, there is full, free, perfect, and everlasting salvation. Any sinner who has Christ, has God's Salvation! No sinner ever sought Him sincerely, in truth, and sought in vain. He delights to save sinners. He came into this world to save sinners. He suffered and died under the wrath of God to save sinners. He lives and reigns to save sinners. He is going to save some sinners. He is fully able to save you. Do you need Him? Do you believe Him? "He that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:16; John 3:36).

#### -Maurice Montgomery

I have no righteousness but Christ who of God is made unto me righteousness. I have no sanctification but Christ who is made of God unto me sanctification. I have no redemption but Christ who is made of God unto me redemption. I have no holiness but Christ who is made of God unto me holiness. San Diego Grace Fellowship

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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* 

-Pastor Don Fortner