

## OPENING HYMN

Sat: #296 **All The Way My Savior Leads Me**

Sun: #186 **The Church's One Foundation**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- It is our privilege to welcome Brother Kevin Thacker from Sovereign Grace Church in Trenton, New Jersey this weekend. We will be enjoying supper and time of fellowship following the Saturday evening service, and Sunday we will meet at our regularly scheduled time.
  - Pastor John Chapman from Bethel Baptist Church in Spring Lake, North Carolina is scheduled to preach here the weekend of November 17-18, Mark your calendar.
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## SCRIPTURE READING

Sat: **Luke 12:13-34**

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## WORSHIP HYMN

Sat: #175 **Standing On The Promises**

Sun: #222 **There Is A Foundaton**

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## 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*

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## WORSHIP HYMN

Sun: #234 **Wonderful Words of Life**

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## MESSAGE

**SAT - THE BELIEVERS TRIALS**

**MARK 4:35-41**

**SUN - COME, ALL THY HOUSE**

**GENESIS 6:1-7:16**

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## CLOSING HYMN

Sat: #127 **Hallelujah! What A Savior**

Sun: #293 **The Lord's My Shepherd**

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## THINGS TO PONDER

“Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices with strife.”

*- Proverbs 17:1*

## WHO WILL BE SAVED?

*Jonah 2:9 & Romans 10:13*

In Jonah 2:9 we have a clear declaration of God's sovereign grace. In Romans 10:13 we are given a declaration regarding man's responsibility. Both are true. Both need to be understood. Both must be believed. And both must be preached with clarity. God almighty is totally sovereign in the salvation of sinners; and we are, every one of us, responsible to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

These two facts are clearly revealed in Holy Scripture. We cannot believe without God's sovereign grace. Faith is the gift of God, the fruit of his Spirit, and the operation of his grace. Yet, God's sovereign grace will not save us if we do not believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

Regrettably, there are some who have such a distorted understanding of God's sovereignty and the doctrines of grace that they become hard, uncaring, and negative in their preaching and in their attitudes. They are opposed to everything and in favor of nothing. Like big wrecking balls, they know how to tear down anything; but they do not know how to build. They are anti-missionary, anti-evangelistic, and anti-responsibility. They seem to care more about debating, defending, and protecting the doctrines of grace than they do about seeing sinners saved by the grace of God. Really, some men preach like they are afraid some of the non-elect might get saved! What a pity! Such a spirit is not of God. It is not the spirit of Christ, or of his apostles, or of the New Testament (Matt. 23:37; Rom. 9:1-3; 10:1; 1 Cor. 9:22).

There are others who totally deny God's sovereignty, his purpose of grace in election and predestination, and the effectual, irresistible power of his grace in salvation. All they can see in the Bible are those words, "*whosoever will.*" They interpret everything in the Bible in the light (or in their case, darkness) of those two words. No matter what you say to them, no matter what text you read to them, their response is, "I believe in 'whosoever will.'" They preach human responsibility in such a way as to make responsibility mean ability. They make the will of man, rather than the will of God the determining factor in salvation. I detest that doctrine. It is not of God, but of the devil. Lucifer was the first free-willer (Isa. 14). I contend that free-will religion is the religion of Lucifer. It is a doctrine that makes man his own Savior and promotes the worship, adulation, and honor of man's will, rather than the worship, adulation, and honor of God. It puts God's will under the dominion of man's will and makes man to be the God of God!

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The Bible teaches these two facts. They are as plain as the noonday sun. You cannot deny either of them without denying the Word of God. And you cannot really believe either of them, as they are taught in the Scriptures, without believing both. **Every sinner loved, chosen, redeemed, and called to salvation by the sovereign grace of God shall be saved, all of them and none but them. And every sinner who believes on the Lord Jesus Christ shall be saved.**

*-Pastor Don Fortner*

### **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*

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**Sunday October 21, 2018**

**"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**