

OPENING HYMN #231

Jesus Saves

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Brother Michael Smith from Rescue Baptist Church in Rescue CA is scheduled to preach here next weekend. We will meet Saturday at 6:30 pm and Sunday at our regular time. We plan to have a light meal following Saturday evening service, Lord willing.
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SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 86:1-17

WORSHIP HYMN #359

My Faith Looks Up To 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 #53

How Sweet The Name of Jesus Sounds

MESSAGE

UNDERSTANDING DIVINE PROVIDENCE

ISAIAH 10:1-34

CLOSING HYMN #75

Abide With Me

THINGS TO PONDER

Prevenient grace is that grace that precedes and prepares the way for God’s saving grace.

-Pastor Don Fortner

The only way we will not harshly judge our brethren is to see ourselves as we really are. An honest view of self will stop us from being harsh to others because an honest view of self shows me that I am the chief of sinners. The chief of sinners has no right to look down his nose anyone.

-Pastor Frank Tate

"The King’s heart is in the hand of the Lord, as the rivers of water: He turneth it whithersoever He will.”

Proverbs 21:1

Let God into Your Heart

Have you let God into your heart? You may think you have, but you haven't. So many people think they have let God into their heart or let Jesus be their personal Savior, but the mere thought of such is utter blasphemy! Contrary to man's popular opinion, God doesn't ask for our permission for anything.

He didn't ask for permission to create the universe and time, He didn't ask for permission to create Adam and Eve, He didn't ask for permission to send His Son, Jesus Christ, in human flesh, Jesus Christ didn't ask anyone for permission to heal them, and He didn't ask for permission to save His people from their sins. God is not waiting on you to make your decision.

Speaking from my own experience, this is how God entered my heart: He busted the door down, against my will, and He made it His dwelling place, without asking for my permission. The fact of the matter is, I would never let God into my heart, because I hated God until He, by His sovereign will, entered in and gave me a new heart, a heart that gladly receives Him and loves Him.

What do the scriptures say? Ezekiel 36:26-27 'A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.' The next verse says, 'And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.'

What part of that attributes any part of salvation to me? Not a single part of it. The heart that all men are born with is evil, God-hating, and unable to improve. My heart was so bad, God didn't fix it. He gave me a new one. And if you are to be saved, you won't let God into your heart. No, if you are going to be saved, God must show you your evil heart and give you a new heart, a heart that willingly loves God and seeks His will.

You may be angry at what I have written, but I want you to know God and be saved. Psalm 110:3 says, 'Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power.' What that means is that God's people will believe on Christ when He makes them believe, not when you make your decision for God.

If you are confused or mad at this post, I will be more than glad to post a gospel sermon by a faithful pastor who preaches very clearly what this means. Don't cling to your decision, because your decision and mine will only lead us to hell, except God give us a new heart to make us believe on Christ for salvation complete.

-Cody Henson

Not of Excellency of Speech

I Corinthians 2:1

A Gospel sermon is not a work of art, or a display of human knowledge. It is a plain a simple declaration of the Truth of God. It will be quite boring to those who have no interest in Christ. The reading of a will would be mind-numbing legalese unless you are a beneficiary. So the Gospel message is of no consequence save to those who are join-heirs with Jesus Christ. There is a tendency toward making the Gospel interesting or novel, and this is why Paul highlights this specific determination not to. But fleshly displays of human wisdom or art only make the message interesting to the self-righteous. A real sinner finds nothing of more interest than the simple Truth of God being merciful to sinners in Christ.

A real sinner is riveted by the news that there is mercy even for the most foul and foolish. A real sinner is enthralled to hear that grace is free and that the precious blood of Christ is effectual to save to the uttermost all who come to God by Him. The language you use will, in the end, be appropriate to the audience to whom you speak. The “Greeks” will always want human philosophy and “deep” studies of words and ideas, and to take “stances” on points of doctrine. The “Jews” will always seek the sensational, emotional and that which impresses the sense. But those who are the called of God, whether Jew or Greek, will need and demand Christ, Who is to them the wisdom and power of God Himself.

-Pastor Chris Cunningham

Salvation, In Spite Of

No one can be saved by anything they do or don't do. The scriptures make that as clear as the sun in the sky. “By the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight.” (Romans 3:20) No one can be righteous and deserve salvation. “There is none righteous, no not one.” (Romans 3:10) So if a sinner will be saved it must be in spite of himself not because of anything he has done. That is exactly how God saves sinners: in spite of everything about us. “But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

-Pastor Frank Tate

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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