

OPENING HYMN #255

Blessed Assurance

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Kevin and Kimberly are making good progress in preparing their house for sale. The Lord willing, we hope the house will sell quickly so they can prepare for the move out here by the end of the year.
 - I received a call from brother Fred Evans of Redeemer's Grace Church in Louisville. He mentioned a young man who is in Marine Corps boot camp here, and asked if we would contact him and invite him to come and hear the gospel.
 - Brother Andre Gele called and wanted to let us all know he is doing well. He misses the gospel fellowship we have in Christ and looks forward to joining us soon.
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SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 24:1-10

WORSHIP HYMN #388

Have Thine Own Way, Lord!

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 #468

I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

MESSAGE

IRRESISTIBLE GRACE

ISAIAH 30:21

CLOSING HYMN #18

Now Thank We All Our God

THINGS TO PONDER

It is never a good thing to sin. But it is always a good thing to be a sinner, because “Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.” It is only as a sinner that I can believe He came to save me.

-pastor Todd Nibert

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."
-Romans 5:8

Trust Christ Alone

Galatians 2:20-21

Every gospel preacher is faced with three great difficulties. In seeking the conversion of sinners, there are three terribly difficult tasks confronting God's servant.

GETTING A PERSON LOST

The first real difficulty in conversion is to get a person lost - really lost. The hardest thing in the world to find is a sinner who is really lost. In all the years I've been preaching, I've met very few people who were really lost. That is to say, people who knew that they were lost, so thoroughly and completely lost that no religious rite or ceremony, no system of works, no law, no code of morality could do them any good.

There are many people who will admit that they are weak and need a little help. There are even some who will admit that they are sinful and in need of some atonement. But there are few people in this world who will acknowledge that they are totally and eternally lost without Christ, in need of salvation by pure grace alone. Only the Holy Spirit can produce a lost sinner. The first thing that must be done is to get a man lost. Only real sinners seek real grace.

TEACHING PEOPLE THE GOSPEL

The second real difficulty in conversion is to teach a person the gospel of the grace of God. There are few people in this world who have ever heard the gospel, and fewer still who ever really learn it. The gospel is the proclamation of free grace to sinners through the mediation of Christ alone. It is the good news of salvation by God's free, sovereign, saving grace in Christ, salvation that comes to the lost sinner without any return on his part. It declares salvation to be the free gift of God, from beginning to end. Even repentance, faith, and good works are gifts of his grace. It is a very difficult thing for men to learn the gospel, because it is opposed to our pride, our imaginary wisdom, all our religious prejudices, and our traditions. Like Naaman the leper, we all have our thoughts about how God ought to do his work. But our thoughts are always wrong (Prov. 14:12).

GETTING SINNERS TO REST IN CHRIST ALONE

The third great difficulty in conversion is to bring sinners to rest in Christ alone. We must rest entirely upon Christ. We must never grow beyond that. We are to live all the days of our lives trusting that same grace and love that first took us in. We are chosen, redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and kept by grace alone. “*As ye have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him.*”

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We place no hope whatsoever in our obedience to the law of God. We have neither salvation, nor sanctification, nor reward by our obedience to the law. We trust nothing but Christ alone; and we trust him for all things (1 Cor. 1:30-31).

-pastor Don Fortner

Church Member or Christ Worshipper?

From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away? Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God. (John 6:66-69)

I have an acquaintance that has been a member of three churches in the last year. Every time he hears something he does not like, sees something he doesn't approve of, or just gets tired of what is going on, he leaves and finds another church. He and his wife are nothing more than church goers. There is a big difference between a church member and Christ worshipper. You cannot run off a Christ worshipper. He or she is like the Apostle Peter, when asked "will ye also go away" he will be quick to answer, Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God. Please notice the words "to whom shall we go." Salvation is not where shall we go, but to whom shall we go." There is only one person to whom we CAN go. There is only one way to salvation, only one door to enter. Christ says plainly "I am the door" of the sheep (John 10:7). Only one person has the words of eternal life.

Are you a church member or a Christ worshipper?

-pastor David Eddmenson

Free Will or Predestination

Free will is responsible for every evil in the world. All sin is the result of free will. Free will is why the first murder was committed. It is responsible for all war, and has produced every false religion. Free will is the doctrine of the sovereignty of man. Predestination is the doctrine of the sovereignty of God. If believed, it will abolish all race problems and rid us of all tyranny and war. "Now therefore, our God, we thank Thee and praise Thy glorious name" (1 Chron. 29:10-14).

- Scott Richardson

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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