

OPENING HYMN #38

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We plan to observe the Lord's Table at the end of service today. We will NOT have a fellowship meal.
 - Please park behind the building when we meet for services.
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SCRIPTURE READING

Sun- Mike S.

Wed- Cass H.

WORSHIP HYMN #53

How Sweet The Name Of Jesus Sounds

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 #228

My Faith Has Found A Resting Place

MESSAGE

THE BELIEVERS CONFLICT

GALATIANS 5:16-26

CLOSING HYMN #449

To God Be The Glory

"For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty;" Gal 5:13

- We have been called by God's Sovereign Grace according to His purpose (Rom 8v28).
- We have been called out of darkness into light (1 Peter 2v9).
- We have been called through the Gospel, and by the preaching of the Gospel (2 Thes. 2v14).
- We are called to be sons, children of God (1 John 3v1).

Because of our calling we have liberty in Christ- Freedom in Christ! We are freed from the power of death, freed from the bondage and penalty of sin, and freed from the law. Now we have liberty to freely serve our brethren in love, and to freely serve our Lord in love!

- KBT

REJOICE IN THE LORD

Phil. 3:1

Throughout the epistle to the believers at Philippi, Paul is always making reference to rejoicing in the Lord; "Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice" (Phil. 4:4). I can truthfully say there have been times in my life when I rejoiced in everything but the Lord, in religious service, office, ceremony, heritage. But there was a time when our God taught me the saving and the true gospel and convinced me that all was vanity and dung, and that **Jesus Christ is All and in All**, that every believer is complete in Christ (Col. 2:9). Once this was revealed to me, now I find that there are always abundant reasons to rejoice in Him no matter how difficult the day may be. Let me remind you of a few.

- 1). We rejoice in His glorious person. Totally and fully God and yet identified with our flesh (John 1:14; 1 Tim. 3:16).
- 2). We rejoice in His perfect righteousness which He worked out for His people as our Mediator and Redeemer, He is the Lord our Righteousness (Jer. 23:6; Rom. 4:6).
- 3). We rejoice in His glorious sacrifice which eternally puts away all our sin (Heb. 9:12; Heb. 9:26; Heb. 10:17).
- 4). We rejoice in His powerful grace that can transform us out of the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of His dear Son (Col. 1:13).
- 5). We rejoice in His good and wise providence that works all things for our eternal good (Rom. 8:28).
- 6). We rejoice in His glorious resurrection by which we are justified (Rom. 4:25).
- 7). We rejoice in His eternal intercession for us as the Surety of the covenant of grace (Heb. 7:25; 1 John 2:1-2).
- 8). We rejoice in His second coming, although we do not know the hour or the time, we do know that He will appear the second time without sin unto salvation (Heb. 10: 28).

So, my friend, if you are a believer, you always have reasons to rejoice in the Lord!

- Pastor Tom Harding

A New and Living Way through Christ

Romans 7:6

In Christ we serve God through him, and not in the oldness of the letter. This is a new and living way. A way made perfect by the blood sacrifice of Jesus Christ. This “way” is Christ himself. The flesh has no part in this blessed work. Every child of God must be born again by Christ. This is a gracious work of God done for the sinner. It is not something the sinner does for themselves or for God. It’s a spiritual work that only God, who is Spirit, can and must do. The creation of every believer is by Christ’s spiritual seed. His seed is neither corrupt nor can it be corrupted as Adam’s seed was in the Garden-Fall. Those to whom God has given faith to believe Christ now stand faultless in Christ’s righteousness before God.

Being in Christ means that he is our rule and law giver. We now abide by the law of faith and love. The law which was given to Adam’s fallen race no longer has dominion over us. It has nothing to say to those made perfect by Christ. In Christ we are no longer subject to the Law of Moses or any man-made work to make ourselves free of sin and guilt before God. This is the blessing Paul declares to us. “But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter” (Romans 7:6). As the Lord grows us in grace and the knowledge of our Savior we understand this more and more. We see how that the Law was given to Adam’s seed to reveal to the sinner how utterly sinful and depraved we are in ourselves. It’s not given to Christ’s seed. “Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God” (Romans 3:19).

In Christ, we are no longer held in the bondage of dead flesh laboring under a vail of blindness. We are granted repentance from dead works by God to serve the True and Living God knowing that “if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection” (Romans 6:5). We live and walk by the same Spirit that raised Christ from the dead. Our fruits are born of his spiritual seed in us. Our whole life is now in Christ that “we also should walk in newness of life” (Romans 6:4). Praise God for his new and living way.

- Pastor Eric Lutter

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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