

CALL TO WORSHIP

How Great Thou Art # 37

HYMN

Pass Me Not # 235

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Cleaning for April – Cass & Dee Anne
 - We plan to have a meal following service this morning. All are welcome to stay. Bring what you like.
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CLOSING HYMN

Grace Greater Than All Our Sin # 209

THEOLOGY didn't give it's life as a ransom to redeem God's people, doctrines didn't shed any blood for the remission of sins. Beloved, taught of God, you know this—salvation is found by those who have, by God's quickening power, been made to *know* Him! All God's people can say with their brother, the apostle Paul "... *I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day.*" (2 Timothy 1:12)

All faithful ministers, men sent of God, preach Christ Jesus the Lord; they don't preach themselves—they are not men pleasers—rather, they are your servants for Jesus sake [2 Corinthians 4:5, Galatians 1:10].

LORD, enable your servants to open their mouths, and preach unto your people—JESUS [Acts 8:35]. Grant us your enabling grace to be such a one as Epaphras, a faithful minister and fellow-servant in the Lord; for without you we can do nothing [Colossians 4:7, John 15:5].

- Joseph Murphy (New Caney, TX)

PERVERSION OF THE GOSPEL

The perverting of the gospel of Christ is man adding himself to the mix. The perverted gospel is nothing but works and trouble, whereas the pure gospel is nothing but grace and peace. The perverting of the gospel is the polluting and poisoning of the gospel of Christ. One dram of man injected into the gospel turns good news into bad news-the balm in Gilead into a lethal injection. One modicum of human merit added to the merit of Christ is a perversion of the gospel. The gospel is a Person, one Person, and only one Person. Anyone added to the mix brings trouble rather than peace. The manner in which the poison gospel is discovered is simple: When it is preached, men are caused to look to themselves rather than to Christ. Since the punishment assigned to the preaching of the un-gospel is so severe, we must never be guilty of taking it lightly. To countenance those who teach anything or anyone other than Christ - even to call them brethren - is to take part in their perversion (Gal. 2:4-5; 2 John 9-11).

- Tim James (Cherokee, NC)

NOTHING HEAVIER THAN THE GUILT OF SIN

It is estimated that the Earth weighs 13 Thousand 170 Billion Trillion pounds, that is heavy. However it is light compared to the guilt of sin.

This is the guilt that Christ bore in the Garden of Gethsemane and took to the cross and put it away. Only God incarnate can take all the guilt of all the sins of all His elect and put them away. Burdens are truly lifted at Calvary.

- John Chapman (Spring Lake, NC)

