

CALL TO WORSHIP

Immortal, Invisible # 34

HYMN

What A Friend We Have In Jesus # 354

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Lord willing, we will observe His table following the messages today. There will be a potluck following services. Bring what you like.

- Cleaning for May – Kevin & Kimberly

CLOSING HYMN

Take My Life And Let It Be # 393

COMING TO THE FATHER IN HIS SON

He smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him

- Genesis 27:27

Esau came to his father, Isaac in his own person and works. “*When he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected*” (Hebrews 12:17). If we, like Esau, come to God our Father in our own person and works we shall not inherit the blessing. We must come as Jacob came. Jacob did not come in his own person and works. He went to his father Isaac in the person of his elder brother. He was received of his father and he inherited the blessing coming in the substitute of his brother. The picture speaks of Christ. When we come in the person of Christ, our elder brother, the father receives us and blesses us in his darling son. If you will inherit the blessing, don’t come in your own person and works. Come in the Son of God’s love. Come in the “*sweet savour*” of Christ’s life (2 Corinthians 2:15).

- Eric Lutter (Nixa, MO)

What Does Your Church Believe?

“*...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

While I understand what people mean when they ask the question ‘What does your church believe?’, I believe it is far more helpful to sinners and ultimately to God’s people, to ask the question in “Whom have you believed?” [2 Timothy 1:12].

The gospel that God’s people rejoice in is not found in an ‘ism’, it’s found in a ‘Whom’. The Apostle Paul and all who believe on Jesus Christ rejoice in Him; knowing that He is mighty to save. God’s people don’t rejoice in mere theological truths, or in a denominational distinctive, rather we rejoice in a Person, Christ Jesus the Lord. God’s word declares “*He will save*” for “*He shall save His people from their sins!*” (Zephaniah 3:17, Matthew 1:21.)

Sadly, today there are many who say they believe *in* Jesus Christ, but who have not as yet, by God’s grace, been made to actually believe Him and what He teaches sinners.

The importance of our Lord’s doctrine can not be emphasized enough; for those who depart from His teaching “*hath not God*” (2 John 1:9). Reader, it is so vitally important, indescribably so, that you continue with those who follow Christ and abide in His doctrine. Beloved, I trust that as you read this you were comforted by Him who shall save His people from their sins, and led to continue with those, that the Holy Ghost tells us by His servant John; “*hath both the Father and the Son*” our dear Lord and God Jesus Christ. AMEN!

- Joseph Murphy

“He Is Able—To Save Them To The Uttermost...”

“... *He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him...*” (Hebrews 7:25)

The Holy Spirit sets forth that our Lord Jesus saves His people “*to the uttermost*”; and why is that? To teach us that salvation is by Him, and only Him, indeed that salvation is of the LORD! (Jonah 2:9). Any message that teaches that you must do your part and the Lord will do the rest to save you, is no gospel at all! Rather this word *uttermost* tells us that the Lord is all of our salvation; indeed that He’s the *author* and *finisher* of it. For He takes His people (men, women, and children) who are dead in trespasses and sins and saves them to the uttermost!

So, who exactly does He do this for? My friend, He does this for those sinners who are ever looking to Him for *all* of their salvation; for those who are ever “*looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God*” (Hebrews 12:2). AMEN!

- Joseph Murphy

[The below paragraph was written by my yokefellow, Joseph Murphy, and was included on the front of the bulletins for the local church in New Caney, TX every week. This is a good statement!]

Sinners are welcome at this church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you’ll soon discover we’re an imperfect church, with an imperfect pastor, yet by God’s *undeserved* grace, we preach, believe, and know the perfect gospel of our never failing Lord Jesus Christ. Reader, we call His name Jesus for He shall (not might, not maybe) rather He shall save His people from their sins. And beloved believing sinner you already know it, you are *complete in Him*, saved to the *uttermost* [Colossians 2:10, Hebrews 7:25].

San Diego Grace Fellowship

“*But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness; But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.*”
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Service Times

Sunday - 9:45 AM

- 10:30 AM

Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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