

## CALL TO WORSHIP

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## HYMN

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Cleaning for May – Kevin & Kimberly

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## CLOSING HYMN

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How can we know whether we have gone, not only from ignorance to knowledge, but also from knowledge to submission? It is primarily revealed in this: we cease from establishing our own righteousness before God. We glory in nothing other than Christ's cross, soothe our conscience with nothing but His blood, and rest our hope for favor with God on nothing other than Christ's acceptance before the Father.

- Joe Terrell

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I do not come into this pulpit hoping that perhaps somebody will of his own free will return to Christ. My hope lies in another quarter. I hope that my Master will lay hold of some of them and say, "You are mine, and you shall be mine. I claim you for myself." My hope arises from the freeness of grace, and not from the freedom of the will.

- C. H. Spurgeon

## WHAT CHRIST HAS DONE FOR US

*"But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life" (Titus 3:4-7).*

These verses reveal unto us the very essence and glory of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

**1). Divine intervention,** *"the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared"* one thing is most obvious, we did not merit God's grace. We were shut out by sin and on the fast track to destruction, deserving of God's righteous wrath (Rom. 6:23). But our sovereign God intervened and came to our rescue. He was manifested in our nature, in the flesh (Rom. 8:3; Gal. 4:4) to fulfill all righteousness and to make perfect atonement for sin (Heb. 2:17; Heb. 9:26).

**2). Divine salvation,** *"according to his mercy he saved us."* Salvation is not by what we do, but rather according to God's sovereign, and everlasting mercy (Rom. 9:11-16). No sinner can produce nor can he possess a justifying righteousness in the energy of the flesh, *"not by works of righteousness which we have done"* (Rom. 8:8). The only reason for grace is grace (John 1:17). The Lord saves His people out of a clear, unmixed and undiluted mercy and redeeming grace and for no other reason, *"by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost"* (John 1:12-13; 2 Tim. 1:9). The new birth is not an option in salvation it is a must (John 3:3-7). The new birth is not something you do, it is something God does in you (Phil. 1:6).

**3). Divine blessings,** *"which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour."* Every spiritual blessing the believer enjoys is through, in and by the Lord Jesus Christ (Eph. 1:3). All the promises of God are in Christ Jesus (2 Cor. 1:20). The love and kindness of God are in Christ (Rom, 8:39). The forgiveness and redemption from all sin is only found in Christ (Eph. 1:7). The righteousness imputed to sinners is Christ, the Lord our Righteousness (Jer. 23:5; 1 Cor. 1:30). The hope of salvation is Christ in you the hope of glory (Col. 1:27; 2 Thess. 2:16).

**4). Divine results,** *"being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life."* By God's divine grace, we who by nature are children of wrath (Eph. 2:3) are now adopted into God's family and made heirs of God and joint heirs with the Lord Jesus Christ (Rom. 8:17; 1 John 3:1; 1 Peter 1:3-4).

- Tom Harding (Pikeville, KY)

Real sinners want real preachers, preaching real Salvation by a real Saviour from real sin. We want a Saviour that deals with us on the basis of free grace. We want a power that will work the whole miracle of Salvation from beginning to end. If God's way of Salvation is too much for you then it was not meant for you.

The real needy are glad to lean on God alone. If we can do it ourselves, we do not want help. But, when we are guilty, we do not mind seeking mercy. What a mercy it is when we are brought to the end of ourselves, and are forced to lean on Christ alone because we have no other refuge.

- Milton Howard (Ball, LA)

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*“Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain.” Ps. 76:10.*

This one verse tells us all we need to know as to why an all powerful God would allow men to commit evil atrocities on one another. Clearly, he could, and does much more often than we could possibly know, restrain them. Whenever He restrains them not, it is to glorify Himself. To which His servants say; to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Rev. 1:6. Is not the cross of Christ the clearest example of this truth? The greatest display of the wrath of man bringing about God's greatest glory.

- Greg Elmquist (Apopka, FL)

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The foundation of a believer's Faith, Hope and Love is the word of God. The object of a believer's faith, hope and Love is the Lord Jesus Christ.

- John Chapman (Spring Lake, NC)

# 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.”  
1Cor 1v23-24*

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Service Times

Sunday - 9:45 AM  
- 10:30 AM

Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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