CALL TO WORSHIP What A Friend We Have In Jesus # 354

HYMN

I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say # 225

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- July Cleaning - Kevin & Kimberly

CLOSING HYMN Saved By Grace # 512

FOR WITHOUT ME YE CAN DO NOTHING – JOHN 15:5

The sooner we learn that we are nothing the better off we will be because the sooner we learn we are nothing, the sooner we will look to Christ to be our all. The sooner we learn we can do nothing, the better off we will be because the sooner we learn that we can do nothing, the sooner we will depend on Christ to do everything for us.

- Frank Tate (Ashland, KY)

God declares that the elect, redeemed, regenerated into the kingdom of Christ are "*an holy nation*" (1 Pet 2: 9). Let us not get caught up in the politics of the world. There has never been, nor will there ever be, an earthly political nation that is a holy nation. Christ alone makes his holy nation and it shall never end. "*Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this"* (Is 9: 7).

- Clay Curtis (Ewing, NJ)

DON'T BE DISCOURAGED

Don't be discouraged by painful or disappointing circumstances. The Lord is still doing all things well and He is still accomplishing His eternal will and purpose. Joseph could have been discouraged while he was in the dungeon for a crime that he did not commit, but the Lord was using that experience to bring Joseph to meet Pharaoh so Pharaoh could put Joseph on the throne. Paul and Silas could have been discouraged to have been beaten and chained up in prison, but the Lord was using that experience so the jailor and all of his house could be saved after they heard Paul and Silas preach. The Lord's disciples were very discouraged after they saw their Master crucified and die, but the Lord used that death to accomplish the eternal salvation of His people. We will be much less discouraged if we would remember that the same God is still working every event of our lives to accomplish His eternal will.

- Frank Tate (Ashland, KY)

"Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee, yea I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness!" - Isaiah 41:10

God has arranged all our concerns with consummate wisdom, in the very best possible manner. He overrules all events by His omnipotent power. He directs all things by His paternal love. If infinite wisdom, omnipotent power, and paternal love, are engaged for our present and eternal welfare – then our fears must be groundless, and our anxiety folly. Our fears only...dishonor God, distress the mind, please Satan, and grieve the godly.

- David Pledger (Houston, TX)

Christ Our Rule Of Faith

"Hereby we do know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments" (I John 2:3).

Throughout this earthly journey, believers struggle with inward sin, doubts, fears, trials, and attacks from Satan, and are often heard to say with Newton:

> "Tis a point I long to know, Oft it gives me anxious thought; Do I love the Lord or no? Am I His or am I not?"

John says, "This is how we discern daily by experience that we are coming to know Him, if we bear in mind, observe and practice the teachings, precepts, and words of our Lord Jesus (Matt. 22:37-40; John 13:34-35). The true believer loves the words and commandments of Christ in regard to faith, love, forgiveness, humility, works of charity, kindness, giving, witnessing, and all that relates to our daily walk (I John 5:3). The love of Christ and the words of Christ are our rule of faith.

- Henry Mahan

THE RESULT OF TRIALS

At the end of each trial sent to Pharaoh, his heart was hardened, he refused Gods word, and was dissatisfied. He ended up more angry than he began.

At the end of each trial sent to a believer, our hearts are softened, we find God's word precious, we rejoice in Christ being exalted, and are completely satisfied in Him. We end up more content than we began.

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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Sunday - 9:45 AM - 10:30 AM Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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