

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### I Sing the Mighty Power of God #27

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS / SCRIPTURE / PRAYER

- Next Sunday, Feb 16, is the third Sunday, we plan to have lunch in the fellowship room after services. Bring a dish to share if you like. All are welcome.

#### HYMN

### Open My Eyes, That I May See #163

#### MESSAGES

- Pastor Gabe Stalnaker

"The Servant of the Lord" - 2 Timothy 2:20-26

"Grace" - Genesis 6:8

#### CLOSING HYMN

### How Firm a Foundation #268

Preaching is getting a message from God's heart to my heart and delivering it to your heart. Anything else is just filling in time.

- Scott Richardson

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#### Follow Me

This is one of the most frequently repeated commands of Christ, "Follow Me." Quite often men translate this in their thinking to "Imitate Me." As important as this is, that is not what "Follow Me" means. To follow someone, you must keep your eyes upon him. If you look down at your feet to see how well you are doing, you will lose him. If you look to the side to compare your following to someone else's following, you will lose him. If you look behind you for evidences that you have followed him, you will lose him. The only way we follow Christ is by keeping the eye of faith only on Him, nowhere else! This is the same thing as, "Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith." Not looking to Jesus *and*, but looking to Jesus *alone*! That is how we follow Him.

- pastor Todd Nibert

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"Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?"

-Proverbs 20:9

### **"That which is born of the flesh is flesh." (John 3:6)**

There is no promise made that in this life, we shall be set free from the indwelling and the in-working of sin. Many think that their flesh is to become "progressively holier and holier"—that sin after sin is to be removed gradually out of the heart—until at last they are almost made perfect in the flesh. But this is an idle dream, and one which, sooner or later will be crudely and roughly broken to pieces.

The flesh will ever remain the same—and we shall ever find that the flesh will lust against the Spirit. Our fleshly nature is corrupt to the very core. It cannot be mended. It cannot be sanctified. It is the same at the last, as it was at the first—inherently evil, and as such will never cease to be corrupt until we put off mortality—and with it the body of sin and death.

All we can hope for, long after, expect, and pray for—is that this evil fleshly nature may be subdued, kept down, mortified, crucified, and held in subjection under the power of grace. But as to any such change passing upon the flesh—or taking place in the flesh as to make it holy—it is but a pharisaic delusion, which, promising a holiness in the flesh, leaves us still under the power of sin.

The true sanctification of the new man of grace—which is wrought by divine power—is utterly distinct from any imagined holiness in the flesh—or any vain dream of its progressive sanctification.

- J.C. Philpot (1802 - 1869)

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#### Dogs are Beggars

Dogs are beggars by nature. They are not embarrassed to beg. You can't offend a dog for begging. The only thing that stops a dog from begging is the threat of punishment. Knowing that there is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, God's dogs are never ashamed of, nor deterred from begging. They happily wait for the next crumb that falls from the Master's table. Glory to their Master. He doesn't wait for them to beg long. The truth is, He is more willing to feed them than they are to beg. "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37. The Spirit and the Bride say, COME. Rev. 22:17.

- pastor Greg Elmquist

***"Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: feed them also, and lift them up for ever" – Psalm 28:9.***

David in this last verse of this Psalm closes with a sincere and fervent prayer for the Lord's people. He prays for vital things that we as sinners desperately and constantly need. Let us make this our prayer!

1) ***Save thy people....*** Who are these people? They belong to Christ by electing love (John 6:37; Eph. 1:3-6). They are His redeeming blood (Acts 20:28; 1 Cor. 6:20; 1 Peter 1:18-20). They are His by an effectual call of grace (2Tim. 1:9). What do Christ's people need? Salvation in the Lord Jesus Christ, for *"all we like sheep have gone astray."* Our Lord came to seek out and to save His lost sheep (Luke 19:10).

2) ***Bless thine inheritance,*** those who are the heirs of salvation, (Rom. 8:17). In Christ we have a blessed and eternal inheritance; *"an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you.* (1 Peter 1:3). Lord, bless your inheritance; the sheep of your hand and the people of thy pasture (Psalm 95:7). Bless your people with all spiritual blessing in Christ (Eph. 1:3-6). Bless your people with greater zeal and passion for the gospel of the free and sovereign grace (Phil. 1:27). Bless your people with greater confidence and assurance of complete salvation in Christ (Phil. 3:3).

3) ***Feed them...*** what do the sheep desire to eat, sheep food? Christ is the Bread of life, (John 6:35). The Scripture is all about Christ, we feed on Him through the Word of life (John 5:39). God's servants are charged to, *"feed the church of God, that He purchased with His own blood"* (Acts 20:28; 2 Tim. 4:1-2; 1 Peter 5:1-3).

4) ***Lift them up for ever....*** Lord, lift them up from the dungeon of sin, lift them up from the curse of the law, lift them up from the dunghill of works, lift them and make them one with Christ and lift them up to glory with Christ forever. *"Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved) and hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus"* (Eph. 2:5-6).

- pastor Tom Harding

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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."***

*Revelation 22:17*

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## Service Times

Sunday Bible Study - 10:15 AM

Sunday Service - 11:00 AM

Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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**"Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls." - Matthew 11:29**