

# Sovereign Grace Reformed Presbyterian Church

## Evening Devotion Outline

The whole Lord's Day is to be a day of worship and praise to God. This evening devotion is a great way to close out the Lord's Day by reflecting on God's word and works through Christ. Begin with reading the opening Scriptures. Pray the Lord's Prayer together and sing a Psalm or hymn. Have someone read the passage of Scripture (taken from the "first reading" of the morning service). Once you listen to the devotion, reflect with a few (or all) of the questions for reflection and close with singing and prayer.

The audio for the devotion can be accessed at [sgrpc.org/sermons](http://sgrpc.org/sermons).

Suggested Scripture readings for the week ahead are included as well.

All Scripture is quoted from the English Standard Version.

### Opening Scripture ..... Psalm 66:1-7

- 1 Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
- 2 sing the glory of his name;  
give to him glorious praise!
- 3 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!  
So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.
- 4 All the earth worships you  
and sings praises to you;  
they sing praises to your name." *Selah*
- 5 Come and see what God has done:  
he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.
- 6 He turned the sea into dry land;  
they passed through the river on foot.  
There did we rejoice in him,
- 7 who rules by his might forever,  
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—  
let not the rebellious exalt themselves. *Selah*

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done  
in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

### Suggested Psalms and Hymns (from the Trinity Psalter Hymnal)

145C – I Will Extol You, O My God

281 – Rejoice, the Lord Is King

### Confession of Faith: ..... Westminster Shorter Catechism, Qs. 7-11

Q. 7. *What are the decrees of God?*

A. The decrees of God are his eternal purpose, according to the counsel of his will, whereby, for his own glory, he hath foreordained whatsoever comes to pass.

Q. 8. *How doth God execute his decrees?*

A. God executeth his decrees in the works of creation and providence.

Q. 9. *What is the work of creation?*

A. The work of creation is God's making all things of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all very good.

Q. 10. *How did God create man?*

A. God created man male and female, after his own image, in knowledge, righteousness and holiness, with dominion over the creatures.

Q. 11. *What are God's works of providence?*

A. God's works of providence are his most holy, wise and powerful preserving and governing all his creatures, and all their actions.

### Scripture Reading ..... Isaiah 42:5-17

### Devotion ..... Pastor Jeffrey Carter

*"Jesus is Light for the Blind and a Terror to His Enemies"*

[This audio devotion can be accessed at [sgrpc.org/sermons](http://sgrpc.org/sermons).]

### Outline:

1. The Radiance of the Glory of God
2. The Sadness of a World Gone Blind

3. The Mercy of the Light-bearing Savior
4. The Zeal of the Righteous Warrior King
5. The Praises of People Set Free

**Questions for Reflection:**

1. Why is the doctrine of Creation so important?
2. What images are used in these verses to describe sin and unbelief?
3. Who is God speaking to in verses 6–7?
4. How does Christ restore sight to the blind and how does he free those held in bondage to unbelief?
5. What is “common grace”?
6. What’s the difference between the wrath of God and the anger of human beings?
7. How ought we respond to the grace and justice of our God and King?
8. How do these verses echo the Great Commission (see Matthew 28:28–20)?

**Closing Hymn** ..... TPH #291

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

**Closing Scripture and Prayer** ..... Ephesians 3:20–21

<sup>20</sup> Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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**Scripture Readings for the Week**

*To build on your understanding of God’s Word, read the following passages and reflect on what they tell you about Jesus himself, the Father, your own life, and your salvation.*

*For the week ahead, spend some time in some of the key passages of the latter half of Isaiah’s Prophecy. In doing so, you’ll almost think you’re reading the New Testament in how clearly Christ is proclaimed.*

**Monday:** Isaiah 49

**Tuesday:** Isaiah 50

**Wednesday:** Isaiah 52:1–10

**Thursday:** Isaiah 55

**Friday:** Isaiah 61:1–7

**Saturday:** Isaiah 66