

SUNDAY MORNING

10/1/23

Pastor Darryl Dedert

Pre-service Psalter 350

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 373:1-3

Reading of the Law of God

Scripture Reading: Colossians 2:6 – 3:4

Prayer

Psalter 87

Sermon Text: Colossians 2:16 – 3:4

The Substance of Real Religion

1. *The ordinances of men?*

2. *The person and work of Christ?*

Psalter 401:1-3 (standing)

Closing Prayer

Psalter 17:1-5

Doxology of Praise (pg. 415)

Benediction

1. *Why is there no need to add legalistic conditions to our faith? How is the adding of them an insult and abomination to the Lord?*
2. *Why does Paul call the ordinances of men a shadow? What are they a shadow of?*
3. *Who is the head that Paul mentions here and what is its importance for the body?*
4. *How is it that the commandments and doctrines of men are of no value against an unbelieving and ungodly heart?*
5. *If the commandments and doctrines of men are ineffective in our race to the prize, how do we move forward in the race of faith?*
6. *What does Paul mean by “set your affection on things above not on things on the earth”?*

SUNDAY EVENING

Pastor John Byl

Pre-service Psalter 51

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 384

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:33–37

Reading of the Apostles' Creed

Prayer

Psalter 24

Sermon Text: Matthew 5:33–37

Lord's Day 37

Do You Mean What You Say?

1. *What is Jesus's teaching regarding oaths?*
2. *Why is Jesus's teaching important?*
3. *How is Jesus's teaching relevant to your life?*

Psalter 90:1, 2, 6, 7 (standing)

Closing Prayer

Psalter 38

Doxology (Psalter 196)

Benediction

1. *What are the three historical reasons why the reformers focused on the importance and place of oaths/vows?*
2. *What is an oath? How is it different from a vow?*
3. *What are three reasons why Jesus's instruction regarding our communication and our use of oaths is important?*
4. *What is the relevance of this Lord's Day and of Jesus's teaching in Matthew 5:33–37 to today?*
5. *In what three areas in the context of church and family life do we see the value and importance of making oaths or vows? Why is it important to reflect on the vows we have made?*
6. *Where do you go when you fail to mean what you say; when you do not live up to the oaths or vows you have made?*