

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

January 17, 2021

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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The Song of Ascent

God's people sang together as they gathered and traveled together up to Jerusalem to worship God.

Congregation

You Are My All in All

You are my strength when I am weak,
You are the Treasure that I seek, You are my All in All.
Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool. You are my All in All.

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name. (x2)

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
rising again I bless Your name. You are my All in All.
When I fall down, You pick me up;
When I am dry, You fill my cup. You are my All in All.

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Call to Worship: It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation." - Isaiah 25.9

Quieting of Hearts, Confession of Sin and Invocation

Declaration of Truth: *The Westminster Larger Catechism, Questions 1-3*

Leader: What is the chief and highest end of man?

All: Man's chief and highest end is to glorify God, and fully to enjoy him forever.

Leader: How does it appear that there is a God?

All: The very light of nature in man, and the works of God, declare plainly that there is a God; but his Word and Spirit only do sufficiently and effectually reveal him unto men for their salvation.

Leader: What is the Word of God?

All: The holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, the only rule of faith and obedience.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

The Gloria Patri's first line was sung in the church as early as the 2nd century to affirm that God is Triune. The second line was added in the 4th century to emphasize the eternal Deity of Jesus, refuting the Arian heresy that Jesus was not eternally God.

Hymn of Praise

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise,
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God:
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for thy courts above.

O that day when freed from sinning, I shall see Thy lovely face;
When I'm clothed in blood washed linen How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace;
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry, Take my ransomed soul away;
Send Thine angels now to carry Me to realms of endless day.

CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE

Mission Moment

Pastoral Prayer

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

The Gift of Music

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offering

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn of Testimony

Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ

(Children ages three through third grade may be escorted to Children's Church)

Thy works, not mine, O Christ, speak gladness to this heart;
they tell me all is done; they bid my fear depart.

Refrain:

To whom, save thee, who canst alone for sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

Thy pains, not mine, O Christ, upon the shameful tree,
have paid the law's full price and purchased peace for me.

Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, has borne the awful load
of sins that none in heav'n or earth could bear but God.

Thy righteousness, O Christ, alone can cover me:
no righteousness avails save that which is of thee.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Genesis 16.1-6

Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. She had a female Egyptian servant whose name was Hagar. 2 And Sarai said to Abram, "Behold now, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Go in to my servant; it may be that I shall obtain children[a] by her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai. 3 So, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her servant, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife. 4 And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived. And when she saw that she had conceived, she looked with contempt on her mistress. 5 And Sarai said to Abram, "May the wrong done to me be on you! I gave my servant to your embrace, and when she saw that she had conceived, she looked on me with contempt. May the Lord judge between you and me!" 6 But Abram said to Sarai, "Behold, your servant is in your power; do to her as you please." Then Sarai dealt harshly with her, and she fled from her.

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

The Hagar Factor

Pastor John Batusic

Series-: *Abraham & Sarah: Walking By Faith—Genesis 12-25*

OUR RESPONSE

Prayer of Application

Hymn of Response

By Faith

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the power of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

*We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight*

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go
In the power of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In every corner of the earth

We will stand...

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the power of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

We will stand...

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The Benediction and Threefold Amen



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CMPC Sermon Notes for January 17, 2021

Pastor John Batusic

Series: *Walking By Faith- Genesis 12-25*

Message: *The Hagar Factor*

- **Text:** Isaiah 16:1-6

The Hagar Factor

- "I'll do it myself"
- Attempting to receive the promises of God by what we do
- Includes salvation, cf. Galatians 4
- Walking by sight, not by faith

Wrong Expectations, 1

- Logical expectation?
- Moses has been building expectations

Great Frustrations, 2a

- Learning to wait
- God is sovereign- and we are not
- An opportunity to watch God at work
- Tiring of waiting... God's timetable and ours

Human Solution, 2b

- Sarah tires of waiting
- The custom of the world
- Maybe God meant...

Bad Repercussions, 3-6

- What we should know
- Sin's impact
- The Egyptian emphasis
- The similarity to Genesis 3
- God's way is not our way
- Hagar's heart- next week...
- Sarah turns on Abraham
- Abraham's no-win situation, 6
- Affirms his relationship
- Fails to exercise leadership- the complacent husband?
- Attempting to bring about the promises of God by what we do
- George Muller, "Faith does not operate in the realm of the possible. There is no glory for God in that which is humanly possible. Faith begins where man's power ends."
- God receives the glory
- A corollary application and footnote. Psalm 20.7; II Kings 6.14; 6.17-18

So, What About Us?

A dangerous mentality • Prayerfully seek: God's presence, God's timing, God's solution • Can never save ourselves