

Shreveport Grace Church

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SCRIPTURE ALONE · GRACE ALONE · CHRIST ALONE

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SUNDAY

[Live Streaming \(Audio and Video\)](#)

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: [Psalm 113](#) (Robert)

Call to Worship: 'Our Only Plea'

Scripture Reading: [Proverbs 16](#) (Bob)

Hymn # 267- 'All Things Work Out for Good'

Scripture Reading: [Romans 8:28-39](#) (David)

Message: 'God's Sovereign Purpose'

Hymn # 258- 'He Hideth My Soul'

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

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WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM- Studies on the Names and Titles of Jesus in Scripture

FRIDAY

7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi)

10:00 AM- Bible Study in French

SATURDAY

8:00 AM- Fellowship in Christ

SUNDAY

7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi)

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Radio Broadcasts every Sunday Morning (CST):

9:00 **KWKH** AM Radio 1130, Shreveport, LA area or **LIVE streaming @** <http://1130thetiger.com/listen-live>

Call to Worship

(Tune # 236- 'Amazing Grace')

W herewith shall we approach the LORD,
And bow before His throne?
By trusting in His FAITHful Word,
And pleading Christ alone.

The blood, the righteousness and love,
Of Jesus, will we plead.
He lives within the veil above,
For us to intercede.

Sure ground and sure foundation too,
We find in Jesus' name.
Herein we every blessing view,
And every favor claim.

This is the name the Father loves,
To hear His children plead.
And all such pleading He approves,
And blesses them indeed.

Imputation

There is only one imputation. It exclusively occurred at the cross of the LORD Jesus Christ. It was strictly a judicial act. The result was God declaring all the elect of all time to be righteous in His sight ([Rom. 4:25](#); [5:1](#)). God ratified this one-time declaration of righteousness by raising Christ from the dead. The resurrection of Christ was objective proof positive to the elect of the finished justification of all those in Christ. Until Christ would come, God did forbear with and did pass over the sins of all the Old Testament saints, including Abraham, [Rom. 3:25](#). For without the shedding of

blood there is no remission. Likewise, His attribute of forbearance also permitted a reckoning of the Faith by promise, which Faith was the objective contents of Faith meaning Christ Himself and His future coming to bring in that everlasting righteousness that God would at long last impute to the elect upon the establishment of it, [Rom. 4:3-13](#); [Gal. 3:18](#). Like Abraham, all Old Testament saints believed the promise of that one true righteousness TO BE established by the LORD Jesus Christ in their behalf, [John 8:56](#). New Testament saints look back to that one time declared righteousness. WHAT Abraham believed (i.e., THE Faith), God did impute to him for his righteousness, [Rom. 4:3-9](#). And God did that without any condition to Abraham, [Rom. 4:2](#). What God did by PROMISE for OT saints was actually accomplished and declared to be so upon the death of Christ, [Rom. 4:25](#). This is precisely what the resurrection signified: righteousness imputed and sin not imputed resulting in finished justification at the cross of Christ.

Steve Baloga

The Gospel is the Power of God

***“I am not ashamed of the Gospel,
for it is the power of God unto salvation....”***

[\(Romans 1:16\)](#)

Many have a form of godliness that is nothing more than man’s attempts at satisfying God’s holiness or simply trying to appear as upright and moral before others. While morality may help us live better lives here on earth; it in no way is evidence of right standing with God. To be right with God, mere morality will not suffice. It requires absolute holiness and righteousness before God. Here is where we read in the Bible that there is only one Way that sinners can have perfect standing before a Holy God and that is by the just satisfaction of God’s law by the death of the LORD Jesus Christ for sinners. [Romans 1:17](#) teaches that in the Gospel, the very righteousness (justice) of God is revealed from Faith to Faith, having been imputed at the cross. Those to whom God has revealed salvation by His Spirit have been given Faith to look to the LORD Jesus Christ alone and see in Him and His obedience unto death, ALL their righteousness before God. They stand justified by Him alone in His shed blood unto death alone!

This Gospel of Christ is the Power of God unto salvation. Christ Himself is Salvation and therefore the sum and substance of the Gospel. Christ declared the Gospel as the revelation of Himself [\[Luke 24:27\]](#) and His work of salvation that He came to accomplish for those sinners that the Father chose and gave Him to save before the foundation of the world, [John 17:2](#). By this, God has purposed to quicken those for whom Christ died. In the Gospel is God’s Power through the Spirit to enLighten blind eyes, unstop deaf ears, soften hard hearts and make His enemies His friends.

Ken Wimer

Quickened Together with Christ

*“And has raised us up together, and made us sit together
in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.”*

[\(Ephesians 2:6\)](#)

We indeed are raised up together with Christ. Wonderful is the person of Christ! He not only represented but, so to speak, He contained all His people. His punishment was their punishment – His sufferings their sufferings – His death their death – His righteousness and obedience their righteousness and obedience. Therefore, each child of God is privileged to say, ‘By virtue of my oneness with Christ, I have, in Him suffered all the wrath of God, which my sins deserved – I have in Him fulfilled every requirement of the law. When He hung on the cross, I hung on the cross - when He rose again from the dead, I rose also - when He ascended into Heaven, I ascended together with Him. Christ and my person can never be parted. He received me as portion of Himself forever more.’

Henry Law

God’s Sovereign Care for His Children

Our God hath not forsaken us. [Ezra 9:9](#)

Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you. [1 Pet. 4:12](#)

If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?

But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. [Heb. 12:7-8](#)

The LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. [Deut. 13:3](#)

The LORD will not forsake his people for his great name's sake: because it hath pleased the LORD to make you his people. [1 Sam. 12:22](#)

Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb?

yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee. [Isa. 49:15](#)

Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God. [Psa. 146:5](#)

Shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?

I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. [Luke 18:7-8](#)

Daily Light on the Daily Path

The Righteousness that FAITH Eyes

Adam was created upright but fallible. The righteousness about which FAITH is exercised is the righteousness of God and therefore cannot fail, [Romans 3:21](#); [10:3](#). Adam's uprightness was a mutable one that might be sinned away and was but the righteousness about which the believer's FAITH is exercised is an everlasting righteousness, a righteousness that cannot be sinned away, [2 Corinthians 5:21](#); [Proverbs 8:18](#); ***"Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most holy."*** ([Daniel 9:24](#)); ***"Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness and thy law is the truth."*** ([Psalm 119:142](#))

The uprightness of Adam was subject to shaking, and we know that Satan did so tempt him to the point of disobedience. But the glorious righteousness about which FAITH is conversant is an unshaken righteousness, a righteousness that cannot be shaken: ***"Thy righteousness is like the great mountains..."*** ([Psalm 36:6](#)) or as in the Hebrew, ***"Thy righteousness is like the mountains of God..."*** What is more stable than a mountain! And what mountain so stable as the mountain of God! The mountains cannot be shaken and no more can that glorious righteousness that Christ earned and established be shaken nor those who by God's Grace are stayed on Him through God-given FAITH.

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