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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 119:25-32](#) (Robert)

Call to Worship: 'Christ Jesus the Savior'

Scripture Reading: [2 Corinthians 9](#) (Bob)

Hymn # 386- 'All for Jesus'

Scripture Reading: [Exodus 35](#) (David)

Message: 'Blessed to Give'

Hymn # 357- 'Nearer, My God, to Thee'

The LORD's Table

Hymn # 355- 'From Every Stormy Wind That Blows'

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 # 34- 'Immortal, Invisible')

Christ Jesus the Savior came down from above,
In covenant mercy and infinite love,
The LORD of Creation a Servant became,
To save all His people from sin, guilt and shame.

Enthroned in His beauty and all glorious,
The God of Creation was made like to us;
The Word was made flesh and laid glory aside,
What grace and affection for His chosen bride.

Our Prophet, High Priest and Everlasting King,
Descended from Heaven salvation to bring.
Em-man-u-el came, the LORD with us on earth.
Behold a great myst'ry – the Dear Savior's birth.

O what a Redeemer is Jesus our LORD,
He paid all our sin-debt, to God we're restored.
Redeemed by His blood, He our ransom has paid,
And clothed in His beauty His saints are arrayed.

All praise to the Savior, our Refuge is He,
In Christ we are safe everlastingly.
Come now and adore Him Who made us His choice,
Let all of His people in Jesus rejoice.

Resting in Christ's Finished Work

Know for your comfort that the weakest believer in Christ is as nearly related to God the Father as is the strongest believer. Every branch of a tree is not alike strong nor big and yet the largest limb and the smallest twig is equally united to the tree and therefore to the root. The weakest believer is clothed with the white raiment of Christ's righteousness and is as much justified and sanctified as is the strongest. There is no condemnation to all who are in Christ; the weakest believer shall endure to the end. They are all kept by the Power of God, through the Faith of salvation. It is not the sinner that believes strongly that shall be saved but he that believes! ***"LORD I believe; help Thou mine unbelief"*** ([Mark 9:24](#)).

Ebenezer Erskine

Repentance Unto Salvation

***"Godly sorrow worketh repentance unto salvation,
not to be repented of."*** ([2 Cor. 7:10](#))

This verse has been greatly misunderstood by many because of the apostle's use of the term 'Godly sorrow' in connection with repentance unto salvation. Many wrongly assume that sorrow over sin is repentance. However, the word means a change of mind. The apostle defined it as a change of mind toward God, even FAITH toward the LORD Jesus Christ, [Acts 20:21](#). Yes, those who repent have sorrow over their sinfulness but it is 'UNTO salvation' or Godward or Christward and not just remorse.

Many presume that by preaching the law with its curses and terrors and making people sorry for their sins they can affect change in their hearers and produce repentance. The Scriptures tell us that ***"Judas thus repented himself, and said, I have sinned..."*** ([Matthew 27:3-5](#)) He may have been sorry but it wasn't Godly sorrow. He was sorrowful for his actions and yet it wasn't a God-produced change of heart and therefore it was not unto salvation, which God alone can grant, [2 Timothy 2:25](#). His repentance was actually unto damnation. ***"He went out and hanged himself."*** [Matthew 27:5](#).

What then is Godly sorrow? It springs from God, it is affected by God, it is directed to Him in preparation for turning the heart to Christ as the Redeemer and Savior. When God pierces the heart by His Spirit the sinner will cry out like David: ***"Against thee only have I sinned."*** ([Psalm 51:4](#)) The heart is pierced to the very quick with anguish for having sinned against God and His Christ, [Acts 2:37](#). Notice it is a sorrow over sinning against a gracious pardoning God in Christ. This is the sorrow of Faith. It is grateful to God for His pardoning justifying Grace through the work of the LORD Jesus.

Faith and repentance are synonymous. The Spirit causes the soul to change its mind from the deception of sin and to see Christ as the only Hope. The soul sees the sinfulness of its sin, looks to the Savior and cries as Thomas: **“My LORD, and my God...”** ([John 20:28](#)) at the sight of the nail prints of the Savior.

It is **“...not to be repented of.”** How could the soul have been so foolish to think that the sin was of greater value than the Savior Who came to put it away? This repentance is unto salvation. It brings the soul to Christ the Crucified One and to never turn away. **“There is salvation in him and no other.”** ([Acts 4:12](#)) How could any that God Himself has chosen and for whom Christ came and paid their sin debt, ever turn away from that work that God has done for them? **“LORD, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.”** ([John 6:68](#))

Ken Wimer

The LORD Knows Those that are His

He calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. [John 10:3](#)

The foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The LORD knoweth them that are his; and, Let everyone that nameth the name of Christ, depart from iniquity. [2 Tim. 2:19](#)

**Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name?
and in thy name have cast out devils?
and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them,
I never knew you: depart from me,
ye that work iniquity.** [Matt. 7:22- 23](#)

The LORD knoweth the way of the righteous; but the way of the ungodly shall perish. [Psa. 1:6](#)

Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands; thy walls are continually before me. [Isa. 49:16](#)

Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm. [Song 8:6](#)

The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him. [Nah. 1:7](#)

Daily Light on the Daily Path

The Preaching of the Cross

The preaching of the cross is Doctrinal preaching. It is the preaching of the mystery of Christ. The apostle Paul declared, **“Unto me who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery.”** ([Ephesians 3:8-9](#)) This preaching by which the mystery is made known and the power of God communicated is called variously: the preaching of the Gospel [\[1 Corinthians 1:17\]](#); the preaching of the cross [\[1 Corinthians 1:18\]](#); the foolishness of preaching [\[1 Corinthians 1:21\]](#) and the preaching of Christ Crucified [\[1 Corinthians 1:23\]](#).

The preaching of the Gospel divides mankind into two. It divides the world and the church asunder. When the preaching of the cross sounds forth, it appears as foolishness to them that perish but becomes the Power of God unto us which are saved, [1 Corinthians 1:18](#).

The preaching of the cross exposes the wise, the scribe, the disputer, the sign-seeker, the mighty, the noble and the understanding and finds them out to be too wise for the Gospel, too knowledgeable for the cross. And yet, the preaching of the cross finds out those who are the called, the chosen, the brethren. These are unwise after the flesh, foolish in the world, the despised, the nothings. Nevertheless, they are saved by the Power of God, called by the Grace of God and destined for the glory of God.

John Metcalfe