ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, January 4, 2015

Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; Yes, our God is merciful. The LORD preserves the simple; I was brought low, and He saved me. Return to your rest, O my soul, For the LORD has dealt bountifully with you. (Psalm 116:5,6,7)

[* indicates standing]

Prelude: [Welcome, Announcements]

Preparation for Worship: Psalter 108C (1,2)

*The Call to Worship

(see above)

*Confession of our need for God's grace (Psalm 124:8):

"Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth"

*God's Welcome to His People

*Psalm of Response

Psalter 116A (all)

*Opening Prayer

God's Law

Matthew 7:13-29

Prayer of Confession and Praise

(God's assurance of pardon: Psalm 56:3,4,8,9)

*Psalm of Praise Psalter-Hymnal #104 (1,2,3,5)

Confession of Faith (see bulletin)

Prayer of Requests with Thanksgiving

*Song of Preparation

Psalter 119O (1,3,4)

Scripture Reading:

Ephesians 5:1-21

Sermon: *Respond in Song

Ephesians 5:15-17 Psalter-Hymnal #479 (1,2,4,5)

*Benediction (God's parting Word of blessing)

*(Moment of Silent Meditation)

Sermon: Ephesians 5:15-17

True believers are duty bound to walk circumspectly.

We are duty bound to...

- 1. ...live a lifestyle that is rooted in wisdom.
- 2. ...live a lifestyle that is maintained by discipline.
- 3. ...live a lifestyle that is flavored by understanding.

CALENDAR

- Sundays: 10:00 AM—Worship Service.
- Sundays: after worship —Informal fellowship in food, singing, prayer, discussion and study.
- <u>Pizza & Theology</u>—Second Friday (if desired) & <u>Last Friday (regular)</u>. At school, 6: 30-8:30 PM

["Theology" is about discussing biblical truth for all of faith and life]

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

BE FAITHFUL IN PRAYER: (Let us know your requests for prayer!)
"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God" (Phil. 4:6)

- Pray for our <u>country</u> and government; and <u>persecuted church</u> in the world.
- Pray for King's: (SermonAudio, website, Good News Bible Study)
- Salvation of loved ones and others we know.
- The Lord's blessing on joyful tithing/giving (in box on back table).
- God's blessing in our work, and all we do, as service to Him.
- Families raising children (to know God's blessing and grace to persevere).
- Burrell's school (ministering to teachers & families; enrollment).
- HEALTH: Each of us (young or older); Pastor Donnan (heart, thyroid, adrenals, eyes); Gloria Donnan (Alzheimer's).
- Pray for Regional Presbytery and sister churches and their needs.
- Ministry of CRPC churches: Suriname (Rev. Hamid); Des Moines, Iowa (Rev. Waters; seeking pastoral help); Rev. Gibson in Missouri (possible beginning of new church in Kansas City).
- Modolo's in Italy (encouragement).
- Pray for King's mission work through Reformation Christian Ministries:
- Urgent need of finding a reliable and effective programmer for GNBS.
- Seminary and B.Ed. students in various countries.
- Work of course production for the M.Div. program.
- RCM and its personnel's financial needs (Rev. Otis and others).

The church is called to be a confessing church, that she may be, the pillar and ground of the truth (1Tim. 3:15,16)

The Westminster Confession of Faith Chapter 19—Of the Law of God

WCF 19.6 Although true believers be not under the law as a covenant of works, to be thereby justified or condemned:(1) yet is it of great use to them, as well as to others; in that, as a rule of life, informing them of the will of God and their duty, it directs and binds them to walk accordingly;(2) discovering also the sinful pollutions of their nature, hearts, and lives; (3) so as, examining themselves thereby, they may come to further conviction of, humiliation for, and hatred against sin;(4) together with a clearer sight of the need they have of Christ, and the perfection of His obedience.(5) It is likewise of use to regenerate, to restrain their corruptions, in that it forbids sin;(6) and the threatenings of it serve to show what even their sins deserve, and what afflictions in this life they may expect for them, although freed from the curse thereof threatened in the law.(7) The promises of it, in like manner, show them God's approbation of obedience, and what blessings they may expect upon the performance thereof, (8) although not as due to them by the law as a covenant of works:(9) so as a man's doing good, and refraining from evil because the law encourageth to the one, and deterreth from the other, is no evidence of his being under the law, and not under grace. (10) (1)Rom. 6:14; Gal. 2:16; Gal. 3:13; Gal. 4:4,5; Acts 13:39; Rom. 8:1. (2)Rom. 7:12,22,25; Ps. 119:4,5,6; 1 Cor. 7:19; Gal. 5:14,16,18-23. (3)Rom. 7:7; Rom. 3:20. (4)James 1:23,24,25; Rom. 7:9,14,24. (5) Gal. 3:24; Rom. 7:24,25; Rom. 8:3,4. (6) James 2:11; Ps. 119:101,104,128.

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(7)Ezra 9:13,14; Ps. 89:30-34.
(8)Lev. 26:1-14; 2 Cor. 6:16; Eph. 6:2,3; Ps. 37:11; Matt. 5:5; Ps. 19:11.
(9)Gal. 2:16; Luke 17:10.
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WCF 19.7 Neither are the formentioned uses of the law contrary to the grace of the Gospel, but do sweetly comply with it;(1) the Spirit of Christ subduing and enabling the will of man to do that freely and cheerfully, which the will of God revealed in the law requireth to be done.(2)

(1)Gal. 3:21. (2)Ezek. 36:27; Heb. 8:10; Jer. 31:33. _____

(10)Rom. 6:12,14; 1 Pet. 3:8-12; Ps. 34:12-16; Heb. 12:28,29.

Questions for discussion: [see on the table]

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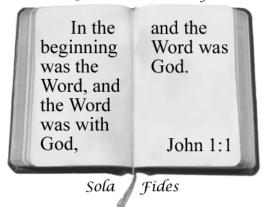
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Worship Service: Sundays 10:00 A.M. Lord's Day, January 4, 2015

Questions for discussion [Sermon: Ephesians 5:15-17]

- 1. What does *then* in our text refer to?
- 2. Who is wise?

How is he wise?

What is the *wise* person's main question/concern?

What is his relationship to the *unwise* (v.11)?

What does this all have to do with walking *circumspectly*?

- 3. How are the *wise* especially called to maintain discipline? [Explain!]
- 4. What do the two contexts for *redeeming the time* teach us about *time*?
- 5. What reason is given for the need to *redeem the time*?
- 6. To live such a lifestyle we need *understanding*—of what?
- 7. What ought our prayer to be, as we live in 2015?