

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 119:73-80](#) (Robert)

Call to Worship: 'Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven'

Scripture Reading: [Colossians 3](#) (Bob)

Hymn # 255- 'Blessed Assurance'

Scripture Reading: [Romans 12:1-5](#) (Adam)

Message: 'Transforming Grace'

Hymn # 314- 'I Am Thine, O LORD'

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 # 99- 'Angels From The Realms of Glory')

PRAISE, my soul, the King of Heaven,
To His feet thy tribute bring!
Ransom'd, heal'd, restored, forgiven,
Who like me His praise should sing!
Praise Him! Praise Him! [repeat]
Praise the Everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favor,
To our fathers in distress!
Praise Him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless!
Praise Him! Praise Him! [repeat]
Glorious in His faithfulness!

Father-like He tends and spares us,
Well our feeble frame He knows.
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him! Praise Him! [repeat]
Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels help us to adore Him,
Ye behold Him face to face.
Sun and moon bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him! Praise Him! [repeat]
Praise with us the God of Grace.

“It is Finished!” (John 19:30)

Jesus when He had cried again with a loud voice yielded up the Ghost. There is something very striking in this loud voice of Jesus. Not like one exhausted, not as one dispirited but as a Conqueror in the field of battle, retreating with His spoils. Jesus cried aloud that all on earth and all in Heaven and all in hell might hear: **“It is finished!”** What is finished? Redemption-work is finished. And from that moment the empire of sin, death, hell and the grave were vanquished...and that song was sung in Heaven. **“Thou was slain and hast redeemed us to God by the blood out of every kindred and tongue and people and nation.”** ([Revelation 5:9](#))

Robert Hawker 1753-1827

He Sat Down

While at first glance it may seem such a triviality yet in the life of our LORD Jesus Christ there is important meaning to the phrase **‘He sat down.’**

1. **“And he sat down and taught the people out of the ship.”** ([Luke 5:3](#)) Our LORD, the Great Master Teacher was often found sitting with His disciples whom He had called out and they sitting with Him. His sitting to teach was a position of authority and rightly so as the Son of God. Theirs was a position of humility and rightly so as needy sinners before Him.

2. **“And there was a great company of publicans and of others that sat down with them.”** ([Luke 5:29](#)) Contrary to the Pharisees who loved to stand to be seen and heard, our LORD was found sitting with publicans and sinners, a position of identification with those He came to save, not the righteous but sinners, [Matthew 9:13](#).

3. **“And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.”** ([Luke 22:14](#)) At the last Passover, Christ sat to eat it with His disciples at the appointed time by God the Father. All the Passovers, over the thousands of years, would now culminate in the death of Christ the Lamb of God Who humbly sat down, not only to eat of it but to explain its true meaning with His own, then to get up and fulfill it.

4. **“But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God.”** ([Hebrews 10:12](#)) Where is Christ now? He is seated. His work of salvation: of putting away sin, of redeeming and justifying His people is DONE. If He is seated, that means all their sin has already been purged, every transgression removed and His righteousness imputed to their account.

There is something in most that tells them they need to be justified before a Holy God. They know they don't measure up to God's standard so they try to justify themselves before God by their good works hoping that God will be pleased with them. This is a very deadly assumption. God will never

be pleased with the works of natural man. The problem is that God is so holy that, by virtue of His nature, He must punish sin. This is every person's problem who has been brought into this world because the soul that sinneth, it shall die [[Ezekiel. 18:4-20](#); [Rom. 4:1-8](#)]. So how are we to be justified before God? How can God be just and justify sinners?

The only answer declared in God's Inspired Word is: ***"Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus."*** ([Romans 3:24](#)) What a glorious HOPE that Christ finished the work and SAT DOWN and ever lives to intercede for each one for whom HE paid the debt!

Ken Wimer

A Lesson Learned

When I was four years old my father wanted to buy a house on a lake in California. It was a perfect place to raise his family. When we went down to the boat dock, he gave us all strict orders to stay away from the edge of the dock. Being disobedient I went directly to the edge of the dock and fell into the water. Though I was only four, I can still to this day remember the murky water closing in around me. I was face down in the water and unable to do anything about my situation. My father did not wait for me to make it an act of my will to ask him to save me. He did not say, "Steve, if you simply raise your hand I will reach down and save you". No! In his formal business attire, he immediately jumped into the dirty water and saved me. He then took me away from that place convinced that it was in my best interest not to raise his family there.

I think about that incident a lot and can see how it is that my own Savior did all these things but to an infinite degree. Though I disobeyed, my father saved me without asking my consent. My Savior saved me by His death before I was even born, even though I had sin marked to my account and despite all of my sins that were at that point yet future. He did that while we were all as elect sinners, collective enemies of God. My father willingly got his suit dirty. More so, my pure and undefiled Savior willingly came down into the filth and pollution of this world and ultimately took upon Himself my sin, ***"...being made sin for us..."*** ([2 Corinthians 5:21](#)) He became for me by substitution that which has caused me to do the things I have done and things I still do. That thought makes me physically shudder at times to think of it. My father took me away from that lake and the possibility of any further danger in that regard. My Savior has removed me from the curse of sin and the deception of false religion and will ultimately remove me from all that harms in this life and flesh to put me in ***"...a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth only righteousness."*** ([2 Peter 3:13-18](#)) I am glad my Savior did not ask my permission to do all this but rather, knowing I could not, He acted because He loved me.

Steve Baloga

Righteous by Christ's Death Alone

Our righteousness is in Him and our hope depends not upon the exercise of grace in us but upon the fullness of grace and love in Him and upon His obedience unto death.

John Newton