Readings from Mark chapter 5—May 26th-June 1st, 2019

Sunday: 35 While He was still speaking, some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" **Pray** that we would never think that our troubles are of no concern to Jesus. **Pray** for the expectant mothers at Fresno (Calif.) RPC and for the parents of newborns and other young ones.

Monday: 36 As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not be afraid; only believe." **Pray** that we would hear Jesus' comforting and encouraging words to us, and that we would trust Him. **Pray** for spiritual growth and maturity for the leadership and members of the Hetherton RPC (Johannesburg, Mich.).

Tuesday: 37 And He permitted no one to follow Him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. **Pray** that we would be enabled to follow Jesus. **Pray** for the newly ordained pastor in Pakistan, that the Holy Spirit would guide him and the ruling elders of that congregation as they shepherd the flock.

<u>Wednesday:</u> 38 Then He came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and saw a tumult and those who wept and wailed loudly. 39 When He came in, He said to them, "Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping." **Pray** that we would be able to hear Jesus' comforting words, and be able to take comfort from them. **Pray** with Columbus (Ind.) RPC for open-door opportunities to share the gospel with contacts and visitors.

<u>Thursday:</u> 40 And they ridiculed Him. But when He had put them all outside, He took the father and the mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying. **Pray** that our society would be kept from ridiculing the Lord Jesus. **Pray** that the children at Hazelton Area (Pa.) RPC would trust in Christ and desire communicant membership. **Pray** that the Lord would protect the Christians in Nigeria from persecution.

Friday: 41 Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, "Talitha, cumi," which is translated, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." 42 Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement. **Pray** that the Lord would continue to amaze us by means of His gracious and glorious works. **Pray** for the prisoners to whom Pastor Tim McCracken ministers in eight chapels at four state prisons in the Fresno, Calif., area. **Pray** for the young men at Okamoto Keiyaku RPC in Japan who are new believers.

Saturday: 43 But He commanded them strictly that no one should know it, and said that something should be given her to eat. **Pray** that Jesus would continue to give us all that we need, both physically and spiritually. **Pray** for the provision of a new meeting place for ARPC. **Pray** that many folks would come to church tomorrow and experience salvation.

Atlanta Reformed Presbyterían Church

The Lord's Day May 26, 2019

Meeting every week at 472-B Paines Avenue NW Atlanta, Georgia Worship at 10:45 AM and 5:30 PM Sunday School at 4:45 PM

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Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions

The Call to Worship

*The Invocation

*Psalm 96A	"O Sing a New Song to the Lord"
Scripture Reading	Exodus 24:9-18
Pastoral Prayer	
*Psalm 17C	"Arise, O Lord. Confront My Foe"
Scripture Text	I Corinthians 10:14-21
The Sermon "What is the Lord's Supper?" (Part 2B: Communion with Christ)	

*Prayer

*Psalm 73C "Yet Evermore I am With Thee"

*Benediction

*Psalm 133A "Behold How Good a Thing It Is" * Congregation will please stand.

<u>We are so glad that you could join us today!</u> This service is being conducted under the auspices of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. Please be sure to return next week and bring a friend.

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions & Answers

"As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God."—*Psalm 42:1*.

"And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them and said, 'Take, eat; this is My body."—*Mark 14:22*.

Q. 30. How doth the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ? A. The Spirit applieth to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.

Q. 96. What is the Lord's supper? A. The Lord's supper is a sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to Christ's appointment, his death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

"What is the Lord's Supper?" (Part 2B: Communion with Christ) The Lord's Supper is a holy meal which celebrates commemoration, communion, and consummation.

I. Commemoration A. we are called upon to remember

B. what are we remembering? (in Passover; in the Lord's Supper)

II. Communion

Revelation 7:13-17

A. communion with each other (koinonia)

1. context: one body, because partakers of the one bread; necessity of mutual love and care

2. common actions/symbols; common faith; common affections toward Christ; common participation in the blessings of salvation; mutual love and affection; mutual communication; mutual service

B. communion with Christ

- 1. communion of the blood of Christ
 - a. cup of blessing which we bless: eulogia; Psalm 116:13
 - b. there is mutual communication between Jesus and His elect
- 2. communion of the body of Christ
 - a. the bread which we break
- b. again, mutual communication between Jesus and the saints

3. partakers of the Lord's table—eating with God (Exodus 24)

C. communion is more than merely remembering these things

Observations

A. the Lord's Supper celebrates our eating and drinking with Jesus

B. the Lord's Supper is a communal meal

Application

A. regard the Supper as something very important and very serious

B. therefore, make sure that you're in a right relationship with Him

1. do not be harboring sin in your heart

2. do embrace Him by faith as Lord and Savior