

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

August 16, 2020

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Song of Ascent

*God's people sang together as they gathered and
traveled together up to Jerusalem to worship God.*

Congregation *Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power*

Blessing and honor and glory and power,
Wisdom and riches and strength evermore
Give ye to him who our battle hath won,
Whose are the Kingdom, the crown, and the throne.

Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb;
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm;
Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,
Dying in weakness, but rising to reign.

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship: "I will proclaim the name of the LORD; ascribe greatness to our God! The Rock, His work is perfect, for all His ways are justice. A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is He." -
Deuteronomy 32.3-4

Quieting of Hearts, Confession of Sin and Invocation

Declaring Our Faith:

Genesis 2.15; Exodus 20.8-9; Ecclesiastes 3.22; Proverbs 12.14; Psalm 90.16-17

Leader: "The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.

All: Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work.

Leader: So I saw that there is nothing better than that a man should rejoice in his work, for that is his lot.

All: From the fruit of his mouth a man is satisfied with good, and the work of a man's hand comes back to him

Leader: Let your work be shown to Your servants, and Your glorious power to their children.

All: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!

Hymn of Praise *Behold Our God*

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus:

*Behold our God seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King—nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign

(Men) You will reign forever

(Women) Let Your glory fill the earth

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CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE

Mission Moment

Pastoral Prayer

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offering

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn of Testimony

Jesus Shall Reign!

(Children ages 3 through kindergarten may be escorted to Children's Church)

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore
Till sun shall rise and set no more
Blessings abound where'er He reigns
The pris'ner leaps to lose his chains
The weary find eternal rest
And all the sons of want are blessed

*To our King be highest praise Rising through eternal days
Just and faithful He shall reign: Jesus shall reign!
People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song*

And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name

*To our King be highest praise Rising through eternal days
Just and faithful He shall reign: Jesus shall reign!*

Let every creature rise and bring
Blessing and honor to our King
Angels descend with songs again
And earth repeat the loud amen!

*To our King be highest praise Rising through eternal days
Just and faithful He shall reign: Jesus shall reign!*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Reading of God's Word

Colossians 3.22-4.1

22 Bondservants, obey in everything those who are your earthly masters, not by way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. 23 Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, 24 knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ. 25 For the wrongdoer will be paid back for the wrong he has done, and there is no partiality. Masters, treat your bondservants justly and fairly, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

Pastor John

*(Re)Discovering the Joy of Work, or, Standing Waters Gather Filth
Series from Colossians: Finding Our Identity in Christ*

OUR RESPONSE

Prayer of Application

Hymn of Response

What Grace is Mine

What grace is mine that He who dwells in endless light
Called through the night to find my distant soul
And from his scars poured mercy that would plead for me
That I might live and in his name be known

Refrain: *So I will go wherever He is calling me*

I lose my life to find my life in Him

I give my all to gain the hope that never dies

I bow my heart, take up my cross and follow Him

What grace is mine to know His breath alive in me
Beneath his wings my wakened soul may soar
All fear can flee for death's dark night is overcome
My Savior lives and reigns forevermore

The Benediction and Threefold Amen



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CMPC Sermon Notes for August 16, 2020

- **Series-** *Colossians: Finding Our Identity in Christ*
- **Message:** *(Re)Discovering the Joy of Work, or, Standing Waters Gather Filth*
- **Scripture:** Colossians 3.22-4:1

- The declining work ethic

- Entitlement and victim
- Paul's discussion of slavery—last week
- Employed... student... stay at home mom... retired...

A Work Ethic.... *Bondservants, obey in everything those who are your earthly masters, 22a*

- Work: because we are made in God's image
- The Greek's negative view of work
- Obey... those in charge

Our Temptation: *settle for mere external appearance... not by way of eye-service, as people pleasers, 22b*

Our Motivation... *But with sincerity of heart; 22c*

Our Respect for Authority... *fearing the Lord, 22d*

- Taking roles seriously
- Taking work seriously

Our Pattern... *Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, 23,*

- We should work as if Jesus were our boss... because He is!

Our Incentive... *24 knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward.*

Our Identity.... *24b, you are serving the Lord Christ*

- Carbiders
- Our primary identity

Our Role Differences... *Masters, , 4.1a*

- People are equal, we merely play different roles

Our Caution.... *Treat your slaves justly and fairly, 4.1b*

Our Accountability... *4.1 knowing that you also have a master in heaven.*

Our Security... *the finished work of Christ*

- Finished labors

So What About Us?

- What about our work ethic
- Trusting in Christ's finished work?

