

Shreveport Grace Church

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY

[Live Streaming \(Audio and Video\)](#)

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: [Psalm 49](#) (Bob)

Call to Worship: Christ Our Mercy Seat

Scripture Reading: [Daniel 12](#) (Robert)

Hymn # 290- 'Be Still, My Soul'

Scripture Reading: [John 16:28-33](#) (David)

Message- 'Peace Through Tribulation'

Hymn # 287- 'Like a River Glorious'

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WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM- Studies in the book of Esther

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 # 192– ‘According to Thy Gracious Word’)

Approach, my soul, the Mercy-Seat:
Jesus Who answers prayer.
There humbly fall before His feet,
For none can perish there.

Thy promise is my only plea,
With this I venture nigh.
Thou callest burdened souls to Thee,
And such, O LORD, am I.

Be Thou my Shield and Hiding Place,
That sheltered in Thy side.
I may my fierce accusers face,
And tell them Thou has died.

O Wondrous Love! To bleed and die,
To bear my cross of shame.
That guilty sinners such as I,
May plead Thy gracious name.

Does the Grace of God Lead to Sin

DID the Grace of God lead Peter to sin? No but his own deceitful heart. And see how the Grace of God reigned! Was it Peter's own heart that made him weep? No but the matchless Grace of God sent into his soul by his Savior's look. In the Garden the floodgates of hell were opened upon

Christ and I believe a sight of this was sent into Peter's soul as though Christ, by His look said, "I bore all this for *thee* and though thou hast denied Me, I will not deny thee!" O this wonderful, matchless, sovereign, free Grace of God!

William Gadsby

Accepted in the Beloved

*"To the praise of the glory of His grace,
wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved."*

[\(Ephesians 1:6\)](#)

The popular teaching of our day is that the sinner must accept Jesus as his personal savior in order to be accepted of God. This puts Christ in the sinner's hands whereas the Bible puts the sinner in Christ's hands and declares that our acceptance with God is entirely by His Grace, wherein HE hath made us accepted [graced, highly favored] in the Beloved (the Son of God, the LORD Jesus).

Stop and ask yourself how it could ever be that an Absolutely Holy God can receive sinners, much less be in fellowship with them? Not even the moon and stars are pure in His sight, [Job 25:5](#). Nevertheless, God, in His inspired Word declares that He indeed has made sinners accepted (not just acceptable) in His Beloved Son. Who are those who are accepted? Read [Ephesians 1:3-14](#) and you will find that they are...

- Those whom God the Father chose in Christ, according to His own will and purpose before the creation of the world, [v. 4](#).
- Those whom He has loved and predestinated to Himself as adopted children by Jesus Christ, [v. 5](#)
- Those whom the LORD Jesus Christ redeemed by His death on the cross and thereby, once for all, put away their sins. They are forgiven from all their sin and justified by His perfect sacrifice unto death, [v.7](#) with [Romans 3:24](#).
- Those to whom God has granted Faith by His Spirit, to believe Christ and rest in His finished work upon hearing the Truth as it is proclaimed in the Gospel, [v. 13](#).
- Those who have been sealed by the Holy Spirit in Christ and kept in Him, insuring them their complete and final salvation, having been purchased and declared righteous by His death already, [v. 14](#).

This was all done for them to the praise and the glory of God's Grace. He Who does all things after the Counsel of His own will, accomplished this for them, [v. 11](#). To helpless sinners, this is truly Good News!

Ken Wimer

Fiery Trials

Our God hath not forsaken us. [Ezra 9:9](#)

Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you. [1 Pet. 4:12](#)

If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. [Heb. 12:7-8](#)

The LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. [Deut. 13:3](#)

The LORD will not forsake his people for his great name's sake: because it hath pleased the LORD to make you his people. [1 Sam. 12:22](#)

Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee. [Isa. 49:15](#)

Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God. [Psa. 146:5](#)

Shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them? I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. [Luke 18:7-8](#)

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Consider how Christ, the Son of God by Himself has certainly purged His people from their sins. He was delivered up for their offenses and He was raised again for their justification. Try to grasp the extent to which He saved and redeemed (before God) the people on whose behalf He had been smitten of God. He redeemed them as effectively as a benefactor who secured the release from prison of a debtor, by first assuming responsibility for his debt and then canceling it, **BY PAYING IT IN FULL!**

Gaze in wonder and adoration on this Sovereign Love of God, Who loved those whom it pleased Him to love. He was not pleased simply to invite them to be saved or to make salvation possible for them. No, the LORD has actually saved and redeemed them in the LORD Jesus Christ because He, being one with them, passed through the wrath and condemnation that should have been theirs. **HE HAS GIVEN THEM HIS LIFE, HAVING TAKEN THEIR DEATH ON HIMSELF!** I speak of salvation which has either already been accomplished by our Savior, or else it never will be.

Cesar Malan, 1817