

EAGER AVENUE GRACE CHURCH

That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 5:21

Worship Services

Sunday, August 7, 2022

10am: "Christ - God Manifest in the Flesh" | Isaiah 9:6-7

Lesson 89

Christ in the Old Testament

Bill Parker

11am: "Christ Coming to Judge"

2 Thessalonians 1

Bill Parker

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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Justification is the heart of the Gospel of Grace. The message of Grace is that a person is only justified by **the Absolute Perfect Righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ** imputed to the account of His people. **It is by the merit of the Lord Our Righteousness, Jesus Christ and Him crucified, His Person and His work, which is the good news.** The work, as far as the ground and basis for Justification is concerned, is a finished, historical, completed, victorious, successful, and effectual work. This is all based on the effectual life and death of Christ with no works of any sort added by us to complete or aid His work. The honor and preeminence sit on the crowned head of the Savior. His work is not at all hypothetical, potential, universal, conditional, based on anything we think, do, or say.

—Pastor Scott Price

Real Substitution

In His work as our Surety, Substitute, and Redeemer, Christ Jesus came into this world, assumed sinless human nature, obeyed the law perfectly, and took our place under the just wrath of His Father. He suffered pain and agony that was so intense that we cannot begin to describe it. He died for our sins imputed to Him, and He established righteousness which has been imputed to us. In this mind-boggling and amazing transaction, Christ did not, as some are saying, "become what I am." I am a sinner; He was not and never became a sinner. Yes, He was "made sin" but only by the legal imputation of the debt of our sins to His account. And this was such a real and substantial work of God that His Son had to suffer unto death for our sins. I am a mere weak man; He was (and is) the Godman. Yes, though He was totally human without sin, and He suffered the infirmities of the flesh without sin, He was also totally God in every attribute of Deity. And in this work of substitution, I do not "become what He is." He is Godman, God manifest in the flesh; I am not. He is sinless within Himself and remained so throughout His suffering unto death; I am full of sin. Though one day, when I am glorified with Him, I will be sinless within myself, I still will never become what HE is. He is the Redeemer; we are the redeemed. He is the Head; we are the body. He is Lord; we are His subjects and servants.

—Pastor Bill Parker

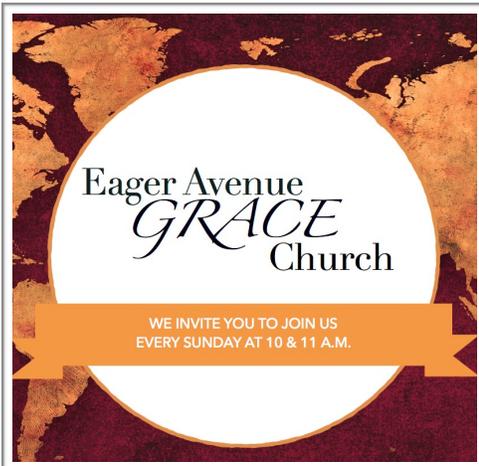
My Standing in Christ

"There is not a just man upon the earth, that doeth good and sinneth not" (Ecclesiastes 7:20)

The word "just" means righteous. We know that the Lord's people are righteous in Christ and yet, the inspired writer says that not even a justified person "doeth good and sinneth not." All believers are aware of our sinfulness knowing that "all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags" (Isaiah 64:6), therefore we petition the Lord for fresh supplies of pardoning grace (1 John 1:9). While the reality of our wretchedness is ever before us, let us rejoice in the deliverance of sin by the sacrificial obedience of the Lord Jesus Christ which is the sole basis upon which God remains just and justifies the ungodly. It is certainly true that "in me (that is in my flesh) dwelleth no good thing" (Romans 7:18), and therefore nothing good can come forth from me.

However, it is also true that I am accepted and declared to be the righteousness of God in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:21). As my sins were imputed to Him, so His righteousness has been imputed to me. I still mourn over my sins, but I must not sink into depression as though there were no hope. Let me rise from the despair of remorse to rejoice in my substitute and Savior, for He paid my debt and satisfied all the requirements necessary for my salvation. I praise Christ Who "loved me and gave Himself for me" (Galatians 2:20). The Father is well pleased with Him, and with me because of Him.

—Pastor Tim James



From the Pastor

The Lord willing, I will be flying to Ashland, KY, next week to visit with family. Debbie and I will return home the following week. Elder Jim Casey will be preaching here in my absence. (7/14) Please pray for him as he prepares to preach the Gospel, and please pray for Debbie and me as we travel.

Prayer Requests

Winston and Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Frank Dell, Cathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Leonard Qualls, Cassie Broxton, Nancy Byrd, James Mwali and the mission in Malawi, Africa.

Birthdays

Alisha Pedersen - Aug. 7th
Edith Ann Tennyson - Aug. 9th
Adeline Payne - Aug. 10th

Hymns

August 7th services

The Solid Rock - 272

My Faith Looks Up to Thee - 359

Call To Worship

(Tune – Doxology)

**Come, let us sing the song of songs,
The glory which to Christ belongs;
The hosts of Heav'n began the strain,
Worthy the Lamb, for He was slain.**

**Slain to redeem us by His blood,
And makes us kings and priest to God;
To cleanse from ev'ry sinful stain,
Worthy the lamb, for He was slain.**

**Among a thousand hearts and songs,
His sacred name fills all our tongues;
All pow'r in Heav'n and earth proclaim,
Worthy the Lamb, for He was slain.**

**Long as I live and when I die,
This song of songs shall be my cry;
And while in Heav'n with Him I reign,
Worthy the Lamb, for He was slain.**

Salvation is not found in what we have overcome, by our own strength, will, or goodness, but by what Jesus Christ accomplished in His obedience unto death that fully satisfied God's justice for every soul He represented.

—Kenny Dyess