

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, December 1, 2024

10 am: What Think Ye of Christ? (2)

Matthew 22:41-46

Matthew Series | Lesson 82

Bill Parker

11 am: God's Way or No Way

2 Kings 5:1-18

Bill Parker

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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“For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.” (Romans 10:4)

Christ Came to Fulfill All Righteousness

Why did God the Father send His Son into the world? It was to fulfill all righteousness for His people. The Lord Jesus pictured and prophesied of this in His baptism. He told John the Baptist, “Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness” (Matthew 3:15). The working and accomplishment of righteousness for His people is seen in His own death, burial, and resurrection. In order to fulfill all righteousness, the Lord Jesus Christ, as the Substitute and Surety of His people, had to go the way of the death of the cross. God’s love, grace, and mercy had to provide the one and only way for God’s law and justice to be satisfied. As one man wrote, “All God’s justice and all God’s love are focused in the cross, so that it teaches more of God and His truth than all space and time beside.” —Pastor Bill Parker

One Harmonious Gospel

Take the “doctrines of grace” isolated from the Person of Christ, and they are scattered limbs. There is no beauty in them alone. But view the truth of the Gospel in connection with the Person and work of the Son of God, what a heavenly light, what a divine glory is cast upon every truth connected with His sacred person, atoning blood, finished work, and dying love! This is the way to receive the Gospel; not as a thing of shreds and patches, a mere collection or scheme of certain doctrines floating up and down God’s Word, as waifs and strays from a stranded ship; but as ONE HARMONIOUS GOSPEL, full of grace, mercy, and truth, impregnated with divine blessedness, and all connected with, all springing out of the Person of the God-Man. —J. C. Philpot

The Influence of Atoning Blood

Has atoning blood so influenced our eyes that we see no true beauty apart from Christ crucified? Has atoning blood influenced our ears so that we can listen to no sound so sweet as that of Jesus’s precious name? Has atoning blood so influenced our hands that we are willing to labor for His sake? Has atoning blood so influenced our feet that we cannot safely take a single step without Him? If this is the case with us, then we are the servants of Jesus Christ, bought with His blood, born in His house, and blessed with His bounty. —Thomas Bradbury

The Believer’s Object

The believer’s object is Christ. *“For to me to live is Christ.”* Paul had but one object – *“Whether we live, we live unto the Lord, and whether we die we die unto the Lord.”* It is a man’s object (that to which his affections, thoughts, and feelings are directed), not his position, that gives character, peace, confidence, and standing. Many people, preachers included, clamor for recognition, praise, and position. And that is natural for one who does not have anything better. But the believer is –

“Content with beholding His face, My all to His pleasure resign;
No changes of season or place, would make any change in my mind.
While blest with a sense of His love, A palace a toy would appear,
And prisons would palaces prove, if Jesus would dwell with me there.”

--Scott Richardson

That faith cannot be true which does not solely advance the Gospel of grace in its riches in Christ. The highest pitch of faith in which it is very glorious, is to apply the grace of God to the soul, and to cast soul upon the free grace of God in Christ, to un-self the creature, to trample its best works under feet as dross and dung, and resting full in the grace of God through Christ, desiring only to be found in Him. —Robert Tichborne

Birthdays

Robyn Pannell - Dec. 1st | Randy Wages - Dec. 5th

Prayer Requests

Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Kathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Leon Drake, Sue Parker, Judy Fletcher David Tennyson, Monica Hayes, Mike Loosier, Patsy Parr, the mission in Malawi, Africa.

Hymns

December 1st services

-Have Thine Own Way, Lord - 388

-Fade, Fade, Each Earthly Joy - 266

Announcements

We will hold our annual church business meeting on Sunday, December 15 at 9:30 a.m. in our fellowship hall.

We will also have our Christmas dinner on Sunday, December 15, following our worship services.

Call to Worship

(Tune – Like a River Glorious – p. 287)

(Words by Pastor Jim Byrd)

**Sinners saved by Jesus, glory in His Name;
For He came and cleansed us from our guilt and shame;
He alone could save us from our lost estate,
Praise the great Redeemer, only Potentate.**

**CHORUS: Praise the name of Jesus, Let your voices soar,
Praise the name of Jesus, Praise Him evermore.**

**With His sacrifice the Lord was satisfied,
By His bloody death our souls were justified;
Risen from the grave He evermore shall reign;
Christ our mighty King will soon return again.**

**None can save but Jesus, look to Him we must,
O that Christ the Savior would be all our trust;
May the Spirit grant that each of us would flee,
To the Lamb who saves for all eternity.**