

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, June 2, 2024

11 am: "God the Justifier"
Romans 8:28-39
Jim Casey

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.
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The Power That Works in Us

“Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.” (Ephesians 3:20-21)

The grace, love, and mercy of God shown toward us in and by the Lord Jesus Christ are more than doctrines we believe. They are dynamic powers of God implanted within our hearts to motivate and drive us in the obedience of faith as we seek to follow and honor Christ in our lives. God the Holy Spirit is the sovereign Agent who imparts these graces to us. He does this by giving us a powerful revelation of God’s glory in our full salvation by the Lord Jesus Christ and the power of Christ’s blood and righteousness for our complete forgiveness and justification before God. He imparts faith to believe in Christ and submit to His righteousness whereupon we are given such a real sense of God’s love to us that we cannot help but seek to worship and honor Him in all that we think, say, and do, and seek to express our love to Him and our brethren. And though we fail many times in our efforts to love Christ, follow Him and to love our brethren, the power of God still works in us to keep us ever looking to and resting in Him for our hope, assurance, and motivation in all areas of living for His glory.

—Pastor Bill Parker

God has in Himself all POWER to defend us, all WISDOM to direct us, all MERCY to pardon us, all GRACE to enrich us, all RIGHTEOUSNESS to clothe us, all GOODNESS to supply us, and all HAPPINESS to crown us. God's love for us is in Christ; God's choice of us is in Christ; God's righteousness is fulfilled for us in Christ; God's acceptance of us is in Christ. This is all our salvation – not our works, feelings, nor our righteousnesses. —Copied

“I Change Not”

“For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.” (Malachi 3:6) These words are sweet comfort to the Lord’s people who live in this changing world. To keep us from getting too comfortable in ourselves and our situations, our wise God “stirs the nest.” **“As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings: So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.” (Deuteronomy 32:11.12)** Like the eagle, who stirs the nest of her young ones removing some of the soft feathered outer lining to expose the sharper sticks below, the Lord does changes things so that we remember that we can only trust HIM. He rearranges our comfortable little “nests.” All human comfort and confidence fails. He brings us into situations and circumstances in which we are made to know that He alone is our Strength and our Salvation. Like the eaglet out of the comfortable nest and fearfully seeking to fly with its mother, we feel our weakness and frailty. Our confidence in self and in others diminishes and we are drawn back to the wing of Him who changes not. God’s immutability is again our refuge. He never changes in His love for His people. He never changes in His covenant promises to them. He never changes in His faithfulness to them. He never changes their standing before Him because He has brought them by His grace into an unchangeable state of justification before Him in Christ. They are redeemed by the blood of Christ and cannot be unredeemed. They are saved with an everlasting salvation, made the righteousness of God in Christ and much more. So, whatever “change” is or has taken place in the lives of His believing people, our God hasn’t and won’t! Rest in that thought, it is why we will not be consumed! All “change” is His changing and according to His perfect and unchangeable will! As the hymn writer wrote, “Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me.” —Pastor Gary Shepard

Christ's sheep do not contribute any part of their own wool to their own clothing. They wear, and are justified by, the fine linen of Christ's obedience unto death only. —Augustus Toplady

From the Pastor

Debbie and I are in Ruston, LA, where I am preaching at Grace Baptist Church where Brother Richard Warmack is pastor. Lord willing, we will be returning home Monday, June 3. Elder Jim Casey is preaching here in my absence. Please pray for Debbie and me as we travel, and please pray for Jim and me as we preach the Gospel of God’s glory in Christ.

The Lord's Supper

Remember to mark on your calendars that we will serve the Lord's Supper on Sunday, June 30, and we will have our usual fellowship dinner following the services that day.

Birthdays

Jane Margeson - June 8th

Prayer Requests

Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Kathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Leon Drake, Akemi Okada, Sue Parker, Judy Fletcher, David Tennyson, the mission in Malawi, Africa.

Hymns

June 2nd service

-Amazing Grace - 236

Call to Worship

(Tune – Come Thou Fount – p. 17)

(Words by Pastor Jim Byrd)

Blessed Jesus, our Redeemer, saved us from eternal loss;
For He bore our sins and sorrows, when He died upon the cross.
Glad the tidings of salvation; all our sins on Him were laid;
You who trust Him hear this message, Christ your debt has fully paid.

Look my soul behold with wonder, see who hung upon the tree;
'Twas the Lord, the righteous Servant, put to death to set us free.
Mark the sacrifice appointed, Lamb of God for sinners slain;
God in human flesh enduring, condemnation, grief and pain.

Hear Him lift His voice in triumph, "It is finished," praise His Name!
Gone our guilt and our transgressions, He removed our sin and blame.
Resurrected and ascended, now He reigns upon His throne;
Blessed Jesus, only Savior, Intercessor for His own.