

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, October 17, 2021

10 am: "What the Lord Has Done"

Christ in the Old Testament
Lesson 50 | Joshua 24
Bill Parker

11 am: "The Power of God's Word" | Jude 8-10

Bill Parker

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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The Anvil and the Hammers

John Clifford

I stood one evening beside the blacksmith's door
And heard the anvil ring the vesper chime,
And looking in I saw upon the floor
Old hammers worn with years of beating time.
"How many anvils have you had," said I,
"To wear and beat these hammers so?"
"Just one," the blacksmith said with twinkling eye,
"The anvil wears the hammers out, you know."
And so I thought the anvil of God's Word
For ages skeptic blows have beat upon,
And though the sound of clanging blows is heard,
The anvil is unharmed, the hammers gone.

"For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: But the Word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the Word which by the Gospel is preached unto you." – 1 Peter 1:24-25

This is Spiritual Growth

The longer I live, the more I feel that if there were one thing left undone, if the devil were not conquered, sin not expiated, justice not satisfied, the law not honored and magnified, death not overcome, and every burden not carried, I should not have a ray of hope. I used to think I saw this as clear as the noon day thirty or forty years ago; but I saw it very differently then to what I see now, for I see and feel now that if one hair-breadth is left for me to do to merit heaven, or bring as a plea before God, I am undone for ever and ever. But on the Mount of Calvary, the Lord Jesus Christ undertook the cause of His people; and there is not a jot or tittle that He left undone, but, ***"By one offering He perfected for ever them that are sanctified" (Hebrews 10:14).*** Here is complete perfection – ***"Saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation" (Isaiah 45:17).***

—John Warburton (1853)

“Did Christ Die For Me?”

Have you ever struggled with thoughts and questions such as these? – “I know that all for whom Christ died and arose again SHALL BE SAVED. I am confident that Christ, by His blood, put away all the sins of all for whom He died. I am also confident that all for whom He died stand justified before God as they have HIS righteousness imputed (charged) to their account. What I am concerned about, even anxious about is this – Did He die for me? There are many who claim Christ died for them, and there are many who trust in a false Christ. Did Christ die for me? Am I truly saved?”

The answer is simply this – The death of Christ insured and secured the salvation of His people, and this includes that they be given spiritual life and brought to faith in Him. If you really want to know if Christ died for you, ask yourself these questions – “Do I believe on the Lord Jesus Christ? Is He my only hope of salvation, of righteousness, forgiveness, eternal life, and glory? Am I truly resting IN HIM, God in human flesh, Who alone has secured my whole salvation eternally by His obedience unto death? Do I love and follow Him as He is identified and distinguished in God’s written and revealed Word, or am I looking to someone else or for something else for salvation?”

Although we cannot tell everyone without exception indiscriminately that Christ died for them, we can tell everyone without exception who truly believes, rests in, and follows the true Christ of the Bible, “He died for you.”

—Pastor Bill Parker

“For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified” (1 Corinthians 2:2). Jesus Christ, and Him crucified is the Person and work where God displays His perfections, unfolds His purposes, maintains His rights, confounds His foes, and secures His glory in the salvation of His people. Jesus Christ, and Him crucified is way of God by whom death is destroyed, sin is conquered, righteousness is established, rebels are reconciled, saints are sanctified, and heaven is opened!

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Birthdays

RICHARD O'CONNOR - OCT. 20TH | DEBRA RIGGINS - OCT. 22ND

Hymns

October 17th services

How Firm a Foundation - 268

Break Thou the Bread of Life - 176

Prayer Requests

Winston and Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Frank Dell, Cathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, and the Gospel mission in Malawi, Africa.

We extend our prayers and sympathies to Sylvia Casey and family upon the death of her brother-in-law, Al Hatsell, who passed away 10/11/2021.

Call to Worship

(Tune – Majestic Sweetness – p. 52)

Now may the Lord reveal His grace
And teach our stamm'ring tongues,
To make His sovereign, reigning grace
The subject of our songs. (R)

No sweeter subject can invite
A sinner's heart to sing,
Or more display the glorious right
Of our exalted King. (R)

Grace reigns to pardon crimson sins
To melt the hardest hearts,
And from the work it once begins
It never once departs. (R)

'Twas grace that called our souls at first
By grace thus far we're come,
And grace will help us through the worst
And grace will take us home. (R)