

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 31, 2021

10 am: "Christ Is Our Victory"
Christ in the Old Testament
Lesson 52 | Judges 6
Bill Parker

11 am: "When Worship is Ruined"
Jude 12-16
Bill Parker

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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If Christ will be surety, He shall smart for it. If He will put Himself in the place of His bride, His wife, as her bridegroom and husband, He must pay all, and suffer all, and endure all that her transgressions have deserved. Blessings on His precious name, He has done it. The whole amount of Divine wrath poured out like a cataract upon His soul. All the vengeance of stern justice waiting with its sword to smite Jehovah's fellow was felt when He bowed His head and died. All the curse of the law, like barbed arrows, penetrated His very soul. He endured all this for His church. Look at Him in Gethsemane, count those rolling drops of blood that are squeezed from His holy pores. —Joseph Irons

The Ransomed of the Lord

“And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.” (Isaiah 35:10)

I hope the reader will indulge me with one short observation on the subject of Jesus giving Himself a ransom for His people. Never in all the annals of mankind was there ever heard of such unparalleled love. Suppose some generous prince, out of compassion to any of his captive subjects, were to abridge his pleasures, and give large sums of money to bring them out of captivity. How the deed would be applauded and his name be idolized to all generations! But supposing this generous prince was to give himself for them, and exchange their persons in slavery by voluntarily surrendering up himself to such a state. What would be said of this? And yet the Lord Jesus has done this, and infinitely more, not for friends, but enemies; not for those who loved Him, but those who hated Him; and not only by slavery, but by death. He has died for them, washed them in His blood, brought them out of slavery and the shadow of death, and has broken their bonds asunder, and purchased for them an endless state of happiness, and is gone before to take possession of it in their name. He will come again to receive them to Himself, that where He is, there they may be also. Wonder, O heavens, and be astonished, O earth, for the LORD has done it!

—Robert Hawker

How May We Know?

The Apostle Paul spoke of those who preach ***“another gospel” (Gal. 1:6)***, which is a false gospel; for there is only one true Gospel. He also spoke of those who attempt to corrupt the minds of professing believers ***“from the simplicity that is in Christ” (2 Cor. 11:3)***. Jude also wrote of false preachers who have ***“crept in unawares” (Jude 4)***, claiming to preach the truth but preaching lies in the name of Christ instead. How may we know that the message preached is the true Gospel of God? Here are seven questions to consider. Some will argue that these seven are too many; others, that they are not enough. But consider them as questions by which we can test the spirits and know whether or not if a man is preaching the true Gospel according to God’s Word in Christ –

(1) Does it exalt the sovereign, electing love, grace, and mercy of God in Christ as the only source and cause of salvation?

(2) Does it humble man in the dust of sinfulness and inability and reveal his total spiritual deadness and depravity?

(3) Does it show how all salvation was conditioned on Christ Who by Himself fulfilled all conditions to secure the complete salvation of all for whom He died and arose?

(4) Does it point to Christ’s blood as the perfect righteousness imputed to His people as the only ground of salvation before God’s justice, enabling God to be just and justifier, and as the only source of spiritual life?

(5) Does it show how all salvation, including faith and repentance, are gifts from God, the fruit of His power and grace, and the work of the Holy Spirit in giving spiritual life to all whom God chose and whom Christ redeemed?

(6) Does it shut every door but Christ, bar every way but Christ, destroy every hope but Christ, and present Him as our life, hope, salvation, and acceptance before the Father?

(7) Does it demand obedience to God’s Word motivated by the free grace of God, by love and gratitude rather than legalism and personal gain?

—Pastor Bill Parker

Birthdays

BROOKS MARGESON - NOV. 1ST | KELLEY SPARKS - NOV. 6TH

Hymns

October 31st services

O Worship the King - 1

O God Our Help - 10

Prayer Requests

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

Announcement

Sunday (November 7), we will serve the Lord's Supper following the 11:00 a.m. message. We will have our annual business meeting on Sunday, November 14, at 9:30 a.m.

Call to Worship

(Tune – My Faith Has Found a Resting Place – p. 228)

Thy providence O gracious Lord has brought us to this place;
May Thy great name now be adored, Thou Giver of free grace.

'Tis not to honor flesh that we now join our hearts as one;
But we desire to worship Thee through Jesus Christ Thy Son.

To Thee, our Father, praises be for blessings numberless;
For grace from old eternity which we in Christ possess.
Blest Lord, Thy wonders we confess, Thou Lamb of Calvary;
For by Thy blood and righteousness, we are from sin set free.

Thou Holy Spirit, heav'nly Dove, we praise Thee for Thy grace;
Because of Thy great pow'r and love, by faith we Christ embrace.

O Sovereign God of earth and sky, this is our one design;
Thy gracious name to magnify, may all the praise be Thine.