

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, September 8, 2024

10 am: The Way to Eternal Life (2)

Matthew 19:22-30

Matthew Series | Lesson 71

Bill Parker

11 am: Christ, the Bright and

Morning Star | Revelation 22:8-21

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Live Stream

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To Glorify the Lord Jesus

"The God of our fathers hath glorified His Son Jesus" (Acts 3:13).

See, my soul, how every part and portion of scripture is directed to this one subject—to glorify the Lord Jesus. What is the very design of redemption but to glorify the Lord Jesus? What hath God constituted a church for, but to glorify the Lord Jesus? To what do all the precepts, promises, ordinances, sacrifices under the law, and institutions under the Gospel, minister, but to this one end — to glorify the Lord Jesus? Talk they of promises? Why, all the promises of God are *"in Christ Jesus, yea and amen, to the glory of God the Father by us."* Talk they of the law? *"Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth."* Talk they of commandments? *"This is the commandment, that ye believe in the name of the only begotten Son of God; and that believing, ye might have life through His name."*

—Robert Hawker

“Serve the Lord With Gladness” (Psalm 100:2)

Serving the Lord with gladness is a great privilege of sinners truly save by God’s grace in and by the Lord Jesus Christ. Before being born again by the Spirit and given faith to believe in Christ, all we could do was serve ourselves and our idols so as to bring forth fruit unto death. Before then all our service in religion was idolatry. But now, having been brought to Christ for all forgiveness, righteousness, and life, by the grace of God, we can serve the Lord willingly and lovingly as bondservants of Christ who have been set free from the law and whose debt to God’s law and justice has been fully paid by our Master. This ought to inspire and motivate us more and more to seek to serve the Lord and not our flesh. And understand that serving the Lord means to seek to worship, honor, and obey Him in His Word. It is also to serve His people, our brethren, as we have opportunity to help and encourage them in their journey of faith. As *Psalm 100:3* states, ***“Know ye that the LORD He is God: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.”*** We are to serve the Lord being assured that, by His grace in Christ, He has made us to be ***“HIS PEOPLE”*** and ***“THE SHEEP OF HIS PASTURE.”*** This assurance we have in Christ sets the motive, tone, and goal of our service to Him.

—Pastor Bill Parker

Because our beloved Jesus is the beginning of our talk and the end of our conversation, the men who know Him not cry, O you forget good works and morality of life, etc. Not so, no more than if we delighted to converse of the glory of the sun, we should be chargeable with denying its light, power, and influence. For it is the knowledge of Christ, love to Christ, the grace of Christ, and fellowship with Christ, which animates us to keep His commandments, and to do those things which are pleasing in His sight –

“And whatsoever we ask, we receive of Him, because we keep His commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in His sight”

(1 John 3:22).

—William Mason

“Thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.” (Micah 7:19)

When God takes all our iniquities with His own hand, and casts them with His own arm into the depths of the sea, they will never come out of those depths to witness against the family of God in the great and terrible day. Your sins now may seem to be all alive in your breast, and every one of them to bring accusation upon accusation against you. This sin is crying out for vengeance, and that for punishment. This slip, this fall, this backsliding, this foolish word, this wrong action, are all testifying against you in the court of conscience. Do what you may, be where you may, live how you may, watch and pray how you may, keep silent and separate from the world or even from your own family how you may, sin still moves, lives, acts, works, and often brings you into guilt and bondage. But if God has had mercy upon us, He has cast all our sins with His own hands into the depths of the sea, and those sins have no more eyes to look at us with angry indignation, have no more tongues to speak against us in voices of accusation, have no more life in them to rise up and testify that they have been committed by us, that God’s law has been broken by them, and that therefore we are under its condemnation and curse. And there is no truth in God’s word more certain than the complete forgiveness of sins, and the presentation of the church of Christ at the great day faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.

—Augustus Toplady

Congratulations

Congratulations to Nathan and Elise Parker upon the birth of their son, Adam Beckett Parker, on 09/04. May the Lord bless them.

Birthdays

Felton Riggins - Sept. 11th

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

September 8th services

-Nothing but the Blood - 212

-Holy, Holy, Holy - 70

Call to Worship

(Tune – Am I A Soldier – p. 414)

**In Thy great Name, O Lord, we come
To worship at Thy feet;
O, pour Thy Holy Spirit down,
On all that now shall meet.**

**We come to hear Jehovah speak,
To hear the Saviour's voice;
Thy face and favor, Lord, we seek,
Now make our hearts rejoice.**

**Teach us to pray, and praise, and hear,
And understand Thy Word;
To feel Thy gracious presence near,
And trust our living Lord.**

**This house with grace and glory fill,
This congregation bless;
Thy great salvation now reveal,
Thy glorious righteousness.**