

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 5, 2022

10am: "Christ, Our Savior-King"

Christ in the Old Testament

Lesson 81 | Psalm 45

Bill Parker

11am: "In the Last Days"

2 Peter 3

Bill Parker

Live Stream

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If you have seen Christ truly, you have seen pure grace, pure righteousness in Him in every way infinite, far exceeding all sin and misery. If you have seen Christ, you can trample upon all the righteousness of men and angels, so as to bring you into acceptance with God. If you have seen Christ, you would not do a duty without Him for ten thousand worlds (*I Cor 2:2*). If ever you saw Christ, you saw Him as a Rock, higher than self-righteousness, Satan, and sin (*Psalm 61:2*), and this Rock follows you (*I Cor 10:4*); and there will be continual dropping of honey and grace out of that Rock to satisfy you (*Psalm 81:16*). Examine if ever you have beheld Christ as the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth (*John 1:14*). Be sure you have come to Christ, that you stand upon the Rock of Ages, and have answered to His call to your soul, and have closed with Him for justification.

—Thomas Wilcox

Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer. From the end of the earth will I cry unto Thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.

Psalm 61:1-2

The Simple Gospel

The equation is simple. If God requires perfect righteousness and perfect holiness to survive His perfect judgment, then we are left with a serious problem. Either we rest our hope in our own righteousness, which is altogether inadequate, or we flee to another’s righteousness, an alien righteousness, a righteousness not our own inherently. The only place such righteousness can be found is in Christ – that is the good news of the Gospel. Subtract this element of alien righteousness that God “counts” or “imputes” to us, then we have no Biblical Gospel at all. Without imputation, the Gospel becomes “another gospel,” and such a “gospel” brings nothing but the anathema of God. —Copied

Birthdays

Jane Margeson - June 8th
Kelsey Morris - June 10th
Smith Flynn - June 11th

Hymns

June 5th services
-Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us - 294
-When I Survey the Wondrous Cross - 118

Prayer Requests

Winston and Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Frank Dell, Cathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Leonard Qualls, Cassie Broxton, Nancy Byrd, James Mwali and the mission in Malawi, Africa.

Pardoned Sin

It is true that I have sin in me, but it is pardoned. God has forgiven me all trespasses. I stand before Him in my Redeemer, Who undertook for me, and I am perfect in Him. The Father chose me in His Son: He looks upon the face of His Beloved, and sees me in Him. In Christ He is well pleased, so He is with me! As He loves Christ, He loves me! This is the glorious privilege which by faith I now enjoy. I deny sight and sense, and I believe the Word of God! I adhere strictly to the Word of God concerning me, believing myself to be dead indeed unto sin in Christ, and in Him absolutely freed from guilt and condemnation.

The Father is at peace with me, and He loves me in His Son, with the same love with which He loves Christ – His Father and my Father. With this persuasion I go to war with my corruption. They are fighting against everything that is dear and precious to my soul. But having the promised grace of the almighty Savior for my help, I desire to set upon them in His name. I am at war with sin but at peace in Christ! —William Romaine

What think ye of Christ? This is the most important question in the world. Happy for that sinner who can answer it from his heart and say, Christ to me is precious. For verily, he is a pardoned, justified, sanctified, saved soul. He is not left to ask, "What must I DO to be saved?" But he is justified IN the Lord by his everlasting righteousness. He is saved IN the Lord with an everlasting salvation.

—William Mason (1773)

Call To Worship

(Tune – O God Our Help – p. 10)
(Words written by Augustus Toplady)

**We bless Thee, Lord, for all the fruits, all in Thy hands to give;
The righteousness that grace imputes, and faith alone receives.**

**In Thee we have a righteousness, by God Himself approved;
Our rock, our sure foundation this, which never can be moved.**

**Our ransom by Thy death was paid, for all Thy people giv'n,
The law Thou perfectly obeyed, that they might enter heav'n.**

**As all in Adam sinned alone, in his transgression died,
So by the righteousness of One are sinners justified.**

**We to Thy merit, gracious Lord, with humblest joy submit,
Again to Paradise restored, in Thee alone complete.**

Whenever men say that “God can only impute righteousness where He finds it,” meaning that He must make us righteous within and find it within us before He can justly impute it to us, remember, God is the God of all grace Who justifies THE UNGODLY (*Rom. 4:1-8*). Remember also that God is not looking for righteousness in us. He has provided it for us in and by His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ (*Rom. 1:16-17; 10:4; 2 Cor. 5:21*). God knows exactly where righteousness is. It has always been in His Son as He made Him to be the Surety of the covenant of grace and appointed Him to come in time and work righteousness by redeeming His people on the cross (*Dan. 9:24*). God has always found righteousness in His Son, and this is the righteousness He has imputed to His people, sinners saved by grace. This is God *“Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began”* (*2 Tim. 1:9*). All this is revealed and made known to God’s people in time by the coming of Christ into the world to do His work of redemption for them and by the Holy Spirit Who works in them in the new birth – *“But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, Who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel”* (*2 Tim. 1:10*).

—Pastor Bill Parker