

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 July 11, 2021

10 am: "Offerings Unto the Lord"
Christ in the Old Testament
Lesson 37 | Leviticus 1:1-4
Bill Parker

11 am: "They Shall All Know Me"
Jeremiah 31:34
Bill Parker

Live Stream

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Salvation is to Know Christ

“And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, Whom Thou hast sent.” (John 17:3)

Unbelieving people have always denied or devalued right knowledge of God in their attempts, usually, to hide under a cloak of a false profession of salvation under false gospels. Many times, they will raise up “straw men” claiming that “knowledge does not save us, Christ does.” Yes, Christ does save us! But, rest assured, the Bible tells us that Christ saves us by His grace in bringing us by the revelation of the Gospel wherein His righteousness is revealed to know the only true God, and Himself Who God has sent. To be ignorant of this knowledge is to be lost (**Rom. 10:1-3**). To be lost is not to know the way; to be saved is to know the way, and that way is Christ. As Peter wrote, by God’s divine power, He has *“given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that hath called us to glory and virtue” (2 Pet. 1:3)*.

—Pastor Bill Parker

Hannah prayed to the Lord God Who “raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S, and He hath set the world upon them. He will keep the feet of His saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail” (1 Samuel 2:8-9). What a great description of how God saves sinners by His grace through Jesus Christ our Lord! God saves His people, preserves them, and will bring them to glory, all by His grace, goodness, and power revealed in the glorious Person and finished work of Christ. —Copied

Believers, what should you fear, or why complain? Look back to where the Lord found you sleeping in sin, helpless and hopeless, yet insensible of your danger. Look forward to what He has provided for you, an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled, and that fadeth not away; a crown of life, a kingdom that cannot be shaken. Think of the love, the sufferings, the glory of Him to whom you owe these blessings; and let these considerations animate you to run with patience and thankfulness the race that is set before you. —John Newton

Did the Spirit of God Ever Convince You of Sin?

Did the Spirit of God ever convince you of sin? Do you see yourself liable to the curse of the law, and the just vengeance of God, for the innate depravity of your nature, and the transgressions of your life? Do you come to Christ humbled and self-condemned, sensible that unless you are clothed with the merits of Him our Elder Brother, you are ruined and undone, and can never stand with joy or safety before the holy Lord God?

If so, lift up your head; redemption is yours; you are in a state of grace; you are translated from death to life; you are an heir of God, and a joint-heir with Christ. But if you never felt, nor desire to feel this work of the Holy Ghost upon your heart, this conviction of sin, this penitential faith, all the supposed righteousness of your own, wherein you trusted, is but a broken reed; a painted sepulchre; and the trappings of a Pharisee.

—Augustus Toplady

Hymns

July 11th services

Praise Him! Praise Him! - 442

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms - 460

Call To Worship

(Tune – Depth of Mercy – p. 233)

**Sons of God redeemed by blood,
Raise your songs to Zion's God;
Made from condemnation free,
Grace triumphant sing with me.**

**Calvary's wonders let us trace,
Justice magnified in grace;
Mark the crimson streams and say,
Thus my sins were washed away.**

**Wrath Divine no more we dread,
Vengeance smote our Surety's head;
Claims of justice fully met,
Christ hath paid the dreadful debt.**

**Lamb of God! Thy death hath giv'n,
Pardon, peace and hope of heav'n;
It is finished; let us raise,
Songs of gratitude and praise.**

Preserving Grace Before Regeneration

“To them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called” (Jude 1).

What a mercy it is for God's people, that before they have a “vital union” with Christ, before they are grafted into Him experimentally, they have an “eternal union” with Him before all worlds. It is by virtue of this eternal union that they come into the world at such a time, at such a place, from such parents, under such circumstances just as God has appointed.

It is by virtue of this eternal union that all the circumstances of their lives are ordained. By virtue of this eternal union, they are preserved in Christ before they are effectually called to Christ. They cannot die until God has brought about a vital union with Christ! Whatever sickness they may pass through, whatever injuries they may be exposed to, whatever perils assault them on sea or land, die they will not, die they cannot until God's purposes are executed in bringing them into a vital union with the Son of His love.

Thus, this eternal union watched over every circumstance of their birth, watched over their childhood, watched over their manhood, watched over them until the appointed time and spot, when “the God of all grace,” according to His eternal purpose, was pleased to quicken their souls, and, thus, bring about an experimental union with the Lord of life and glory!

—J. C. Philpot