

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 6, 2021

10 am: "Christ, the End of the Law (2)" | Exodus 20 | Lesson 32
Christ in the Old Testament
Bill Parker

11 am: "Partaker of Christ's Sufferings" | 1 Peter 4:13
Bill Parker

Live Stream

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Glorifying the Lord

Jehovah is glorified actively, when we give to Him the glory that is due to His holy name. God is said to be glorified when we honor Him in His Word, His attributes, His perfections and in all His dispensations, both in nature, providence, and grace. ***"Whoso offereth Me praise, saith Jehovah, he glorifieth Me" (Psalm 50:23).*** We may be said to glorify God when we give Him the credit due to God in believing Him, and especially in that record He hath given of His dear Son. In this view of giving glory to God is included all that self-abasement becoming poor lost creatures, and ascribing the whole of redemption to sovereign, free and unmerited grace. In short, in every way, and by every means, we may be said to glorify Jehovah when Christ, as the Christ of God, is exalted as the only Savior of a lost world; and the soul lies low at the footstool of the throne of grace, ascribing salvation only to God and the Lamb. This is to glorify God actively. —Robert Hawker

“Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for His seed remaineth in Him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.” (1 John 3:9)

How could it ever be said that we who are born of God (regenerated and converted, born again, by the Holy Spirit) do not still **“commit sin”**? Are we not, even as justified and born-again persons, still sinners saved by God’s grace in Christ? Yes! It is true that our sins cannot be imputed to us and cannot condemn us because they were imputed to Christ, and He purged them away by His death on the cross as our Surety, Substitute, and Redeemer (**Rom. 4:6-8; 8:33-34**). It is true that when we are born again, we are brought by God to believe in Christ and to persevere in the faith by the power and grace of God (**John 6:37-45; 10:27-30**). But we are still sinners, and we commit sins every day. We are in a continual, daily warfare against our sinful flesh which still contaminates everything we think, say, and do. We are in need of continual cleansing by the blood of Christ Who is our continual Advocate when we sin (**1 John 2:7—2:3**). What, then, did the apostle mean when he wrote, by inspiration of the Spirit, that those who are born of God do **“not commit sin”**? The context shows us plainly that John is writing of the specific sin of apostasy. Apostasy is when a person who once claimed to believe in Christ totally and finally forsakes Christ, His truth, and the fellowship of the people of God. John tells us that such a person was never truly born again by the Spirit, never truly saved by God’s grace. Their apostasy reveals that their faith was in word only, not in heart. It merely exposed what they always were – false professors of the truth (**1 John 2:18-19**). But if one is truly **“born of God,”** he cannot commit this sin of apostasy. He cannot totally forsake Christ and leave the Gospel and the fellowship of God’s people. **“His seed remaineth in Him”** – Christ’s **“seed”** defines His true children who are described in **1 John 2:20—3:8**. They **“have an unction (anointing power) from the Holy One (Christ),** and they all **“remaineth in HIM”** – They will not and cannot fall away unto damnation because God will not let them go. He preserves them by His power and grace in Christ, and because they have been **“born of God.”** They have a new spirit, a new heart, and they have the ever-abiding presence of the Holy Spirit Who keeps them from falling away (**2 Tim. 1:12; Heb. 10:38-39; Jude 24-25**). Christ said of them, **“All that the Father giveth Me shall come to Me; and him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out” (John 6:37).** **“And this is the Father's will which hath sent Me, that of all which He hath given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day” (John 6:39).**

—Pastor Bill Parker

Hymns

June 6th services

Take the Name of Jesus With You - 63

Have Thine Own Way, Lord - 388

Birthdays

Jane Margeson - June 8th

Kelsey Jones - June 10th

Smith Flynn - June 11th

Call To Worship

(Tune: Doxology)

Head of Thy church and Lord of all,
Hear from Thy throne our earnest call;
We come Thy promised grace to seek;
We come, O Lord, to hear Thee speak.

Without Thy presence, King of saints,
Our purpose fails, our spirits faint;
Thou must our wavering faith renew,
Ere we can yield Thee worship true.

“Lo, I am with you” – That sweet word,
Lord Jesus, grant it to be heard;
Give exercise to faith and love,
And send Thy blessings from above.

Lord, send a message from Thy word,
That will great joy and peace afford;
May Thy blest Spirit now impart
Thy grace and love in every heart!

Christ is Precious!

It is impossible for those who believe in Christ to fully express the preciousness of Him to them.

1). He is precious to every believer because He is their life. *“He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life” (1 John 5:12).*

2). He is precious to every believer because He is their clothing. The best robe that the Father gives or imputes to every son that He receives is the righteousness of Christ. It is the robe of His spinning by His perfect obedience and sacrifice.

3). He is precious to every believer because He is their food. Just as the Israel of old feasted on the Paschal Lamb, so God’s spiritual Israel feasts on the Lamb of God. We continually feast upon His flesh and drink His blood; we continually look to His one sacrifice that atones for all the sins of His elect.

4). He is precious to every believer for He is our hiding place. In the storms of life, we say with the psalmist: *“Yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be over past” (Psalm 57:1).*

—David Pledger