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OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY

[Live Streaming \(Audio and Video\)](#)

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: [Psalm 59](#) (Bob)

Call to Worship: 'Jesus, Shepherd of Thy People'

Scripture Reading: [Isaiah 33](#) (Robert)

Hymn # 118- 'When I Survey the Wondrous Cross'

Scripture Reading: [John 18:7-14](#) (David)

Message- 'The Shepherd Taken, the Sheep Spared'

Hymn # 468- 'I Will Sing the Wondrous Story'

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WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM- Studies in Jesus' Miracles

FRIDAY

7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi)

10:00 AM- Bible Study in French

SATURDAY

8:00 AM- Fellowship in Christ

SUNDAY

7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi)

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[Audio Messages Available 24/7 On-Line](#)

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Radio Broadcasts every Sunday Morning (CST):

9:00 KWKH AM Radio 1130, Shreveport, LA area or LIVE streaming @ <http://1130thetiger.com/listen-live>

Call to Worship

(Tune # 291- 'Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah')

J esus, Shepherd of Thy people,
Lead us through this desert land.
We are weak and poor and feeble,
Yet we trust Thy mighty hand.
Great Protector! Great Protector!
By Thy pow'r alone we stand! *[Repeat]*

All Thy sheep shall come to Zion,
With them Thou wilt never part.
Beasts of prey, nor roaring lion,
None shall pluck them from Thy Heart.
All Thy chosen, all Thy chosen,
Cost Thee wounds and blood and smart! *[Repeat]*

In Thy bosom safely lodged,
Thine shall rest from danger free.
They shall never more be judged,
Nor shall condemnation see.
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus,
Let us thus rejoice in Thee! *[Repeat]*

The Blessing of the LORD

Oh that thou wouldst bless me indeed, and that thou wouldst keep me from evil!
And God granted him that which he requested. [1 Chron. 4:10](#)

The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it. [Prov. 10:22](#)

**When he giveth quietness, who then can make trouble? and when he hideth his face,
who then can behold him?** [Job 34:29](#)

Salvation belongeth unto the LORD: thy blessing is upon thy people. [Psa. 3:8](#)

**How great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee;
which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!** [Psa. 31:19](#)

**I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world
but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.** [John 17:15](#)

**The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants:
and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.** [Psa. 34:22](#)

Daily Light on the Daily Path

Appointed Unto Death

***“And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:
So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many...”***

[\(Hebrews 9:27-28\)](#)

So often we have quoted [Hebrews 9:27](#) in connection with warnings to sinners of the inevitability of death and judgment to follow for those who die in their sins, without giving any consideration to the context. Notice how the verse begins with the conjunction **“and”** which ties the statement of **“appointed unto death”** to the death of the LORD Jesus, as does the verse following.

The meaning then is clear. The reason for speaking of death appointed is not so much to explain why people as sinners die but why Christ the Sinless One had to die. Even as it was decreed [appointed] by God that sinners die and stand in judgment by Adam’s sin, so it was necessary that the LORD Jesus Christ come and bear the sins of the many elect of God and die in their stead for judgment. God is the Just God and Savior and to save His people unto Himself He could do nothing less than satisfy His justice on their behalf by the very death of His Son. The apostle Paul expressed it in [Romans 8:32](#): **“He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?”** This is Sovereign Grace ordained by God for sinners for whom Christ paid their horrible sin debt. God could not save them in any other way than by the same appointed death that their sin had incurred.

Christ died once and He will die no more. He bore the sin of the many once and when that Truth is revealed in the heart of the redeemed, it is a comfort and peace to their souls. Although we must yet face physical death, our Good Hope is that because of Christ’s death, our sin has been forever put away and being justified by His blood, we no longer face any judgment to come because that judgment was already rendered at the cross. Although Christ did not bear everyone’s sins, still, there are the many for whom He did lay down His life, [Mark 10:45](#).

He bore their sin completely away and made an entire satisfaction for them in His death on the cross. God the Father imputed to Him all their sins and He voluntarily took them upon Himself, [Romans 8:33](#). That’s where justice found them and demanded satisfaction by Him for them and He fulfilled and finished it completely. Simultaneously, God imputed to the Spiritual account of His elect that righteousness that His Son earned and established on their behalf.

What a glorious redemption and justification of His elect that the LORD Jesus has accomplished for them in His perfect life and effectual death for them!

God's Promise Fulfilled

In the resurrection of Christ, all the redeemed were declared justified. They died and rose in Him and none can now lay anything to their charge. If it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth or addeth thereto. Now, to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. Was not, then, the veracity of God pledged for the fulfillment of the promises to all the seed? [[Romans 4:16](#); [Titus 1:2](#)] God was not left 'free of obligation'. He was bound by the perfection of His character. It is impossible for God to lie. He cannot but fulfill His promise, for He is the God of truth. But are the heirs of promise less indebted to His Grace?

A man is bound by his promise. Circumstances may occur which he did not foresee and which, had he been aware of, he would not have made the engagement. But, if he be a man of truth, he will keep it, notwithstanding. Now, God condescended to pledge both His promise and His oath to the Son of His Love and in Him, to all His people. Nothing has happened, or could happen, of which He had not the most perfect foreknowledge nor over which He did not possess the most absolute control. Shall it be considered an impeachment of His Grace that He is laid under an obligation, both by truth and justice, to bestow upon the redeemed eternal life? The Great Surety of the covenant fulfilled all righteousness, yielded to the law all the obedience it required, endured its curse and consequently, all the children of the covenant must inherit the Blessing.

Christ is their Advocate with the Father. He pleads for sinners, yet is He Jesus Christ the Righteous, for His intercession is founded on the perfection of His offering. He disclaims praying for the world, declaring He never knew them. But He knows His sheep. He gives them endless life. They shall never perish, neither shall any pluck them out of His hand. And that they may have strong consolation, He teaches them equally to rest on the Mercy, Truth and Justice of God.

J. A. Haldane- 1768-1851

Why Glory in the Cross?

Why is glorying in the cross the opposite to glorying in the flesh? Because the cross, far from being the work of man, is the work of God. Far from demanding merit from man, righteousness is accounted to men. Far from requiring works from the flesh, justification is freely bestowed by Christ's merit. Far from obliging men to earn favor, Grace is freely lavished upon debtors. Far from expecting anything from sinners, everything is accomplished by Jesus Christ. Far from the curse falling upon transgressors, the curse fell upon the Substitute.

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