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OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY

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

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: [Psalm 73](#) (Robert)

Call to Worship: 'Brethren Let Us Join to Bless Christ'

Scripture Reading: [Ephesians 4](#) (Bob)

Hymn # 1- 'O Worship the King'

Scripture Reading: [Exodus 31:1-11](#) (David)

Message: 'Chosen Instruments of God'

Hymn # 334- 'Be Thou My Vision'

The LORD's Table

Hymn # 495- 'Unsearchable Riches'

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

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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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 # 393– ‘Take My Life and Let It Be’)

Brethren, let us join to bless,
Christ our Peace and Righteousness.
Let our praise to Him be given,
High at God’s right hand in Heaven. (Repeat)

Son of God, to Thee we bow,
Thou art LORD and only Thou.
Thou the woman’s Promised Seed,
Thou, Who didst for sinners bleed. (Repeat)

Thou hast the Glad Tidings brought,
Of salvation fully wrought.
Wrought, O LORD alone by Thee,
Wrought to set Thy people free. (Repeat)

Thee, our LORD, would we adore,
Serve and follow more and more.
Praise and bless Thy Matchless Love,
Till we join Thy saints above. (Repeat)

This is Spiritual Growth

The longer I live, the more I feel that if there were one thing left undone, if the devil were not conquered, sin not expiated, justice not satisfied, the law not honored and magnified, death not overcome and every burden not carried that I should not have a ray of hope. I used to think I saw this as clear as the noon day thirty or forty years ago but I saw it very differently then to what I see now, for I see and feel now that if one hair-breadth is left for

me to do to merit Heaven or bring as a plea before God, I am undone for ever and ever. But on the Mount of Calvary, the LORD Jesus Christ undertook the cause of His people and there is not a jot or tittle that He left undone but: **"By one offering He perfected forever them that are sanctified."** ([Hebrews 10:14](#)) Here is complete perfection: **"Saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation."** ([Isaiah 45:17](#))

John Warburton (1853)

A Faithful Man

"A faithful man shall abound with blessings..." ([Proverbs 28:20](#))

By definition, a faithful person is steadfast in affection or allegiance, loyal, firm in adherence to promises or in observance of duty: **"Most men will proclaim everyone his own goodness: but A FAITHFUL MAN WHO CAN FIND?"** ([Proverbs 20:6](#))

Who then are the faithful according to the Word of God?

1. The LORD Jesus Christ is the FAITHFUL ONE: Who abounds with blessing and from Whom ALL blessings flow, [Hebrews 2:17](#). It is by His faithful obedience to God the Father that righteousness and redemption were accomplished and that He now justly declares RIGHTEOUS and FORGIVEN, those that He has saved. He not only abounds with blessings but ALL Spiritual blessings are given in Him, by Him and through Him ALONE, [Ephesians 1:3](#). Such blessings as electing grace, adoption as sons, acceptance before a Holy God, redemption, forgiveness, the riches of His grace, regeneration, wisdom, justification, sanctification, glorification, faith, joy, hope and love are ALL granted because of the singular faithfulness of the LORD Jesus. The LORD Jesus came in faithfulness to His Father to earn and establish that Righteousness necessary for God to justify once and forever those that the Father gave Him. All of salvation is uniquely attributed to the faithfulness of the LORD Jesus alone.

2. Believers are called the FAITHFUL, that is 'full of faith': That is God-given faith in Christ alone. It may also mean, 'full of Truth,' that is the revelation of Christ in the elect sinner by the Spirit of Christ Who is THE TRUTH, [[Ephesians 1:1](#); [Colossians 1:2](#)]. As 'faithful ones,' ['full of faith ones'] the believer continually endeavors, determines and strives to live out his/her life under the TRUTH as it is in Christ. The Grace of God never leaves its objects indifferent. As one writer put it, *"The Truth of Grace is in him and he knows and believes the Grace of God in Truth; unmixed and untainted with works."* He is God taught and therefore embraces it, values it and abides in it, [[John 6:45](#), [John 8:31](#)]. This is how the faithful are described in Scripture.

3. Gospel ministers are called FAITHFUL: [[1 Corinthians 4:1-5](#)] They faithfully preach the Pure Gospel as it is in Christ, not merely a system of Doctrine. They are faithful to preach it clearly, simply and plainly; not with an eye to pleasing men but God. They do not exalt themselves but the

Redeemer and Substitute. They seek the things of Christ and His glory and continue to do so in the face of all opposition. O, that the LORD would raise up such faithful preachers in our day, to the honor and glory of THE FAITHFUL ONE, the LORD Jesus Christ Himself.

Ken Wimer

The Love of Christ

Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us. [1 John 3:16](#)

The love of Christ, which passeth knowledge. [Eph. 3:19](#)

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. [John 15:13](#)

Ye know the grace of our LORD Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich. [2 Cor. 8:9](#)

Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. [1 John 4:11](#)

Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. [Eph. 4:32](#)

Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. [Col. 3:13](#)

For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many. [Mark 10:45](#)

Christ...suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps. [1 Pet. 2:21](#)

We ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. [1 John 3:16](#)

The Believer's Testimony

Though seeing myself the chief of sinners, yet I believe God's Word that in Christ there is no condemnation for me. Though conscious of my ignorance and foolishness in the flesh, I believe His Word which declares that Christ is my Wisdom and in Him I know God. Though sensible of sin in my nature and flesh, His Word declares that in Christ I am holy, unblameable and unreprouable in God's sight.

I see evil covering the earth and Satan exercising dominion everywhere, yet His Word declares that Satan and evil are defeated and cast out and our LORD Jesus reigns. All things are under His feet.

I cannot with these eyes see a visible Christ, a cross, a throne or a Holy Spirit; yet by His Word I believe a crucified, buried and risen Savior now reigns on a throne of Grace and sent His blessed Holy Spirit to quicken, call and lead me to look to Him for all things.

What I see with these natural eyes is sickness, the deathbed, the coffin and the grave! Yet, I do not believe in sickness but in His health. I do not believe in death but in Him Who is endless life. I do not believe in corruption but in His holiness. I do not believe in the grave but in Him Who conquered the grave and said: *"I am the resurrection and the life. He that believeth in me shall never die."*