

Shreveport Grace Church

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SCRIPTURE ALONE · GRACE ALONE · CHRIST ALONE

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SUNDAY

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

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: [Psalm 119:97-104](#) (Bob)

Call to Worship: 'My Shepherd Will Supply My Need'

Scripture Reading: [Hebrews 9](#) (Aaron)

Hymn # 215- 'Nor Silver nor Gold'

Scripture Reading: [Exodus 37](#) (David)

Message: 'A Masterpiece of Christ'

Hymn # 495- 'Unsearchable Riches'

The LORD's Table

Hymn # 210- 'Saved By the Blood'

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

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WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM- Studies on the Names and Titles of Jesus in Scripture

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 # 293- 'The LORD's My Shepherd')

My Shepherd will supply my need,
Jehovah is His name.
In pastures fresh He makes me feed,
Beside the living stream.

He brings my wandering spirit back,
When I forsake His ways.
And leads me, for His Mercy's sake,
In paths of Truth and Grace.

When I walk through the shades of death,
Thy presence is my stay.
A Word of Thy supporting breath,
Drives all my fears away.

Thy hand, in sight of all my foes,
Does still my Table spread.
My Cup with blessings overflows,
Thy Oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God,
Attend me all my days.
O may Thy House be my abode,
And all my Words Thy praise.

A Balm in Gilead

“Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?”

[\(Jeremiah 8:22\)](#)

There is a Balm in Gilead and there is a Physician there. This is and must ever be, our only Hope. If there were no Balm in Gilead, what could we do but lie down in despair and die? For our sins are so great, our backslidings so repeated, our minds so dark, our hearts so hard, our affection so cold, our souls so wavering and wandering, that if there were no Balm in Gilead, no precious blood, no sweet promises, no Sovereign Grace, no physician there, no risen Jesus, no Great High Priest over the house of God, what well-grounded hope could we entertain? Not a ray! Our own obedience and consistency, these are a bed too short and a covering too narrow. But when there is some application of the Balm in Gilead, it softens, melts, humbles and at the same time, thoroughly heals. Nay, this Balm strengthens every nerve and sinew, heals blindness, remedies deafness, cures paralysis, makes the lame man leap as a hart and the tongue of the dumb to sing and thus produces Gospel sight, Gospel hearing, Gospel strength and Gospel walk.

J.C. Philpot

The Old Man is Crucified

“Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.”

[\(Romans 6:6\)](#)

Those who interpret the *‘old man’* as our sinful nature often struggle to reconcile this verse, especially considering that our sinful nature appears far from dead. Careful interpretation of Scripture is crucial to avoid confounding the Word of God and confusing our audience.

The apostle Paul's use of the term *‘old man’* refers to the first Adam. There is no human older than him and he represents all his descendants. Under Adam, we were chained and condemned, helpless in our fall and guilty before God's law. Dead in trespasses and sins, we could not perform even the smallest act of obedience to satisfy a Holy God. Thus, the work of the LORD Jesus is precious and merciful. He willingly came as the last Adam, representing elect sinners for righteousness, just as the old man, Adam, represented them for condemnation. Christ became sin [served as the sin offering] and through His sacrificial death He destroyed the body of sin, bearing its judgment and fully satisfying God's law and justice for those for whom He died.

It is only in this sense that the body of sin is said to be destroyed. Clearly, it has not been eradicated within us because as long as we are in this flesh, even as sinners made alive by the Spirit of God, that sinful nature remains unchanged, [Romans 8:7-8](#). The body of sin, the legal condemnation of sin imputed in Adam to our account, has been destroyed FOR us by Christ's death. It is abolished in Him and by Him Who died in our place and we died with Him as our Representative.

Thus, the '**old man**' [our state in Adam] and the body of sin [the legal condemnation by imputation] are destroyed, as Christ bore them away in His obedience unto death. Consequently, we no longer serve sin, nor are we liable to its curse and condemnation even though it still resides within us because we have been justified [freed] from its accusations and condemnations, [Romans 6:7](#).

This Truth is echoed in [Ephesians 2:15](#) which speaks of Christ having abolished in His flesh the enmity. The enmity is not forgiven or changed but abolished, accomplished through Christ's taking the place of His people, being made sin and so reconciling them to God. By Faith we accept this reality because God declares it to be true, [2 Corinthians 5:17](#).

Ken Wimer

No God Like Our God

What God is there in heaven or in earth, that can do according to thy works, and according to thy might? [Deut. 3:24](#)

**Who in the heaven can be compared unto the LORD? who among the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the LORD?
O LORD God of hosts, who is a strong LORD like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness round about thee?** [Psalm 89:6-8](#)

Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O LORD; neither are there any works like unto thy works. [Psalm 86:8](#)

**For thy word's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all these great things, to make thy servant know them.
Wherefore thou art great, O LORD God: for there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee,
according to all that we have heard with our ears.** [2 Sam. 7:21-22](#)

**Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit.** [1 Cor. 2:9-10](#)

The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children. [Deut. 29:29](#)

Daily Light on the Daily Path

Spiritual Blessings in Christ

***"Blessed be the God and Father of our LORD Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ..."***

[\(Ephesians 1:3\)](#)

God has blessed His people from the beginning with every needful New Covenant blessing, treasured up in Christ Jesus their Covenant Head. There is not a single blessing of Grace and salvation which is not secured and deposited in Him. Ah, my friends, it is well for us that they are treasured up in Christ Jesus because in Him they are safe and secure. The Holy Spirit, in His appointed time, convinces the heart of the poor sinner of the need of these Spiritual blessings. He causes him deeply to feel his need and puts a cry in his heart after them. The LORD says, "I will yet for this be enquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them." The poor sinner will never come to Christ, bow down before Him and seek the LORD's blessing until he is brought into poverty, destitution and indigent circumstances. He will never flee to Christ for refuge until every other resource fails him and he is at his wits end and knows not what to do. But, blessed be His name, Christ is a Refuge for the helpless and the destitute.

John Kershaw