

GRACE CHURCH WORSHIP BULLETIN | March 29, 2020

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Generation 2 Generation Older Kids Group: Calling all youth 10-18, join us on our streaming page this Sunday from 6:30-7:30 as a way to stay connected during this season. We will play Bible Trivia together, have a devotional, check in with one another and pray together. Simply use this streaming link: <https://zoom.us/j/570957258>

Corporate Prayer: We will stream our corporate prayer time on Wednesday at 12:00. Join us as we pray through our church roster. This will be immediately followed by our Bible Study through Romans. Join via Livestream link.

Wednesday Bible Study: Zooming through Romans- Join us on Wednesdays at 12:30 for our online Bible study. We will spend 12 weeks covering Romans. Our hope is to help us gather midweek for encouragement and interaction that is centered on God's Word. We did not record this past week, but will make sure to record the sessions and post them on our website. You can join via the Grace Livestream link.

Secret Church 2020 - Due to all the unknowns at this time, the Secret Church 20 will not be happening as we had originally planned. We are working on Plan B. Stay tuned for more information

American Red Cross Blood Drive - Due to fears of the Coronavirus, there are shortages in the blood supply. The Red Cross has asked us to host a blood drive on Friday, April 3, 11:30 AM - 6:30 PM. We are looking for 1-2 people to help out. If you are able to help, please contact Kris Dahl - kris@ivywoodfarms.com



WORSHIP SONGS

By Faith

VERSE 1

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creations grand design
In the light of those who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight
By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the power of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

CHORUS

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him, our souls reward
Til the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

VERSE 2

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave
By faith the church was called to go
In the power of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In every corner of the earth

CHORUS

We will stand as children of the promise'
We will fix our eyes on Him, our souls reward
Til the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

VERSE 3

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the power of the Gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

CHORUS

We will stand as children of the promise'
We will fix our eyes on Him, our souls reward
Til the race is finished and the work is done
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SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 62:5-8

5 For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him. 6 He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. 7 On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God. 8 Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us. Selah

WORSHIP SONGS

In Christ Alone

VERSE 1

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand

VERSE 2

In Christ alone! Who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For all my sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live

VERSE 3

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

VERSE 4

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry, to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Before the Throne

VERSE 1

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong, a perfect plea
A great High Priest, whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is written on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heaven He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

VERSE 2

When Satan tempts me to despair,
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look, and see him there
Who made an end to all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just, is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

BRIDGE

Hallelujah! Hallelu jah!
Praise the One, Risen Son of God!

VERSE 3

Behold him there, the risen Lamb
My perfect, spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I am,
The King of glory and of grace!

One in himself, I cannot die
My soul is purchased by his blood
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God
With Christ, my Savior and my God

SERMON TEXT

Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD." ² And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. ³ In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, ⁴ and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, ⁵ but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. ⁶ The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? ⁷ If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary to you, but you must rule over it."

⁸ Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. ⁹ Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" ¹⁰ And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground. ¹¹ And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. ¹² When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth." ¹³ Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is greater than I can bear. ¹⁴ Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me." ¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him, "Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him. ¹⁶ Then Cain went away from the presence of the LORD and settled in the land of Nod,^[a] east of Eden.

SERMON OUTLINE Genesis 4:1-16

How to Kill Sin so it Doesn't Kill You - Part 2 | David VanAcker

THE MORTIFICATION OF SIN (GENESIS 4:6-7; ROMANS 8:12-13)

Cultivate Appropriate Fear of Sin (Genesis 2:17, 4:7, 6:5-7; Romans 6:23, 8:13)

Cultivate Hatred for Sin (Romans 7:15, 24)

Cultivate a War-time Mindset (1 Peter 2:11; Colossians 3:5; 1 Corinthians 9:27)

Cultivate a Greater Love for Jesus (Philippians 3:4-8)

Cultivate a Constant Consciousness of the Gospel (Philippians 1:6; Romans 6:6)

Cultivate a Dependence on the Power of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 26:41; Ephesians 6:17)

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

MAIN POINT

If we are to obey the words of the Apostle and kill sin, it's not enough to simply know how sin "works". There's another step. We also need to know how to put it to death. The main point of this sermon is that from the beginning it has been God's plan for his people to kill sin by trusting in him and working hard in the strength he provides.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What were your thoughts on the text/sermon? How was it helpful? Confusing? What was the main thing that stood out to you from it? How would you describe the main point in your own words?
2. Can you name any practical ways that growing in your understanding of sin's nature has helped you fight sin?
3. Is it easy for you to see the connection between Genesis 4:6-7 and Romans 8:12-13? Is it helpful to see that God's plan for killing sin has always been a mixture of trusting in him and working hard?
4. Of the six steps to killing sin mentioned (cultivating appropriate fear of sin, hatred for sin, a war-time mentality, a greater love for Jesus, a constant consciousness of the Gospel, and a dependence on the Holy Spirit), which seems most important for you to hear and put into practice? Which seems hardest? Which seems easiest?
5. Had you ever considered the claim that "the secret to all life-change is to develop a greater love for something else"? How have you found that to be the case in your own life?
6. If you're willing, talk about a sin that God has (as far as you can tell) put to death in you. How did he do it?

AREAS OF APPLICATION

1. Ask God to help you identify any ongoing sins in your life. Consider asking a spouse, child, or close friend for help. Do your best to give it (them) the right biblical name.
2. Take the sin God reveals to you and confess it to God and anyone you've sinned against.
3. Take the sin God reveals to you, consider its nature (last sermon), and then begin working through the six steps mentioned in this sermon. Truly cry out to God to help you fear, hate, and make war on it. Truly cry out to God to help you love Jesus more, remember the Gospel, and throw yourself upon the Spirit for help.
4. Find someone to help you work through the sin-killing process; to pray with you, to share scripture passages with you, to check in with you, to admonish you, and to celebrate God's grace with you.
5. Name one specific thing that you mean to do differently by the power of the Holy Spirit as a result of the things you learned from the text/sermon.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray that God would help you to see your sin. Pray that God would help you look at your sin in a biblical way. Pray in particular that he would help you to properly hate it and trust in him to deliver you from it.
2. Thank God for His Spirit, His Word, and the people in your church and in your life who will help you fight against your sin. Thank him for promising sanctifying grace through these things.
3. Tell God how much you love his grace and mercy, his power and strength, and his promises and blessings.
4. Pray for the non-Christians in your life to turn to God in Christ for the forgiveness and death of the sin in their life.
5. Pray for the Christians in your life to make war on their sin according to the means God has provided.

WORSHIP SONGS

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

VERSE 1

How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure
that He should give His only Son
to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of sear-ing loss.
The Father turns His face away
as wounds which mar the Chosen One
bring many sons to glory.

VERSE 2

Behold the Man upon the cross,
my sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held Him there
until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life.
I know that it is finished.

VERSE 3

I will not boast in anything:
no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ:
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart:
His wounds have paid my ransom

Behold Our God

VERSE 1

Who has held the oceans in His hand?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

CHORUS

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come let us adore Him!

VERSE 2

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the one who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

CHORUS

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come let us adore Him!

VERSE 3

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign

VERSE 4

Who is seated over kings of earth?
Who can summon angels with a word?
God in flesh, Messiah came to save
Servant-king, our ransom he has paid

BRIDGE:

You will reign forever! (Let Your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever! (Let your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever! (Let your glory fill the earth)
You will reign forever! (Let your glory fill)

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost
...Amen

BENEDICTION

1 Corinthians 16:23-24 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. 24 My love be with you all in Christ Jesus.
Amen.