

The Pursuit of God, excerpt

The doctrine of justification by faith - a biblical truth, and a blessed relief from sterile legalism and unavailing self-effort - has in our time fallen into evil company and been interpreted by many in such manner as actually to bar men from the knowledge of God. The whole transaction of religious conversion has been made mechanical and spiritless. Faith may now be exercised without a jar to the moral life and without embarrassment to the Adamic ego. Christ may be "received" without creating any special love for Him in the spirit of the receiver. The man is "saved," but he is not hungry or thirsty after God. In fact, he is specifically taught to be satis-

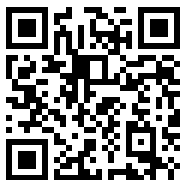
fied and encouraged to be content with little.

All social interchange between human beings is a response of personality... Religion, so far as it is genuine, is in essence the response of created personalities to the creating personality, God. In making Himself known to us, He stays by the familiar pattern of personality. He communicates with us through the avenues of our minds, our wills, and our emotions. The continuous and unembarrassed interchange of love and thought between God and the spirit of the redeemed man is the throbbing heart of New Testament religion. - A.W. Tozer

Events

4/17 Annual Church Mtg. 2
7:00 PM
4/20 Youth Bible Study
7:15 PM
4/21 Women of Grace
7:30 PM
4/23 7th/8th Service
Project 8:00 AM

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Upcoming Events



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Service Times



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- Sunday School 9:30 am
- Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am
- Sunday Evening Worship 5:30 pm
- Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:15 pm

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through the gospel of Jesus Christ**

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Morning Worship

Call to Worship
Opening Hymn
Scripture Reading
Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Andy Dunkerton
#223 Arise My Soul, Arise
Revelation 11, page 1034

Offertory/Preparatory

Be Thou My Vision

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

4. High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'ns Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Text: Ancient Irish hymn, tr. by Mary E. Byrne, versified by Eleanor H. Hull

Music: Irish Folk melody: arr. by David Allen, © 1986 WORD Music Used by Permission CCLI # 1899094

Behold Our God

1. Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice, all creation rises to rejoice.

Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.

Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come, let us adore Him!

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?

Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.

Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come, let us adore Him!

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!

Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.

Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come, let us adore Him!

Bridge

(male voices) You will reign forever

(female voices)

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....

Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.

Behold our King, nothing can compare, come, let us adore Him!

Text and Music: Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird, Ryan Baird, and Stephen Altrogge

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Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix

Evening Worship

Call to Worship
Opening Hymn

Pastor Bob Prentice
See the Destined Day Arise

See the destined day arise! See a willing sacrifice!

Jesus to redeem our loss hangs upon the shameful cross

Jesus who but You could bear wrath so great and justice fair?

Every pang and bitter throe finishing your life of woe?

**(Chorus) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Lamb of God for sinners slain!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Jesus Christ we praise your name!**

Who but Christ had dared to drain steeped in gall the cup of pain

And with tender body bear thorns and nails and piercing spear?

Slain for us the water flowed mingled from your side with blood

Sign to all attesting eyes of the finished sacrifice **(Chorus)**

(Holy Jesus grant us grace in that sacrifice to place

All our trust for life renewed pardoned sin and promised good

Grant us grace to sing your praise 'round your throne through endless days

Ever with the sons of light: "Blessing, honor, glory, might!" **(2x Chorus)**

Text: Venantius Fortunatus, c. 530-600 Music: Matt Merker, 2014 Used by Permission

Scripture Reading

Psalm 22:1-18, page 457

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory/Preparatory

Sermon

Communion

#402 Amazing Grace

Pastor Stu Johnston

Pastor Robert Fisher

Look to the Cross

1. Pressed down with cares and burdens bleak, look to the cross: What do you see?
He bears your pain, my sister see: The Lamb of God who died for thee.

(Chorus)

Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

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2. On all sides fear, dark doubt, despair: look to the cross: Your Savior there!

He bleeds for you, my brother see: The Lamb of God who died for thee. **(Chorus)**

3. When trials consume our dusty frames, look to the cross and bless His name!

His body torn to set us free: The Lamb of God who died for thee. **(Chorus)**

4. Our sins so great! Our hearts untrue! Look to the cross for Grace anew;

Jesus becomes our Mercy Seat: He died for you, He died for me! **(Chorus)**

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Alas and Did

Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die?

Would He devote that sacred head for such a worm as I?

Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree?

Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree!

**(Chorus) My God, why would You shed Your blood, so pure and undefiled,
to make a sinful one like me Your chosen, precious child?**

Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut His glories in,

when Christ, the mighty Maker, died, for man, the creature's sin.

Thus might I hide my blushing face while His dear cross appears,

dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt my eyes in tears. **(Chorus)**

But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe.

Here, Lord, I give myself away; 'tis all that I can do. **(Chorus)**

Text: Isaac Watts Music: Bob Kauflin

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#175 Man of Sorrows