

## THE DIOTREPHESES OF ROME

3 John 9 says a man named Diotrephes resisted apostolic authority and loved to put himself first in the church. Colossians 1:18 says of Christ, "And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent." Though the Reformation inflicted a severe blow to papal power, it still exists. The Roman Catholic system is according to the Diotrephes Model. Though claiming to be the heir of apostolic authority, in fact, the Pope refuses to submit to that same

authority just as Diotrephes ignored the authority of the apostle John. In this 500th year of the Reformation let us thank God for our Protestant heritage. Let us determine that we will treasure the written expression of apostolic authority in the Bible by being saturated with its truth in every area of life. Let us remember with great reverence that the Living Christ is our supreme authority personally, and in the fellowship of his body, the church. Ephesians 4:15,16.

### Events

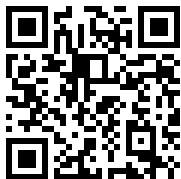
#### TODAY

College & Career Lunch  
Michael Lopes' Ordination

11/13 - 11/20 Operation  
Christmas Child Shoebox  
Drop-Off

Please sign up on the  
bulletin board to serve.

#### Give



#### Upcoming Events



#### Pastors

|                 |               |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Gary Hendrix    | Stephen Byrd  |
| Charles Fortner | Robert Fisher |
| Stu Johnston    | Bob Prentice  |
| Andy Dunkerton  | Michael Lopes |

#### Service Times

- 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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November 5, 2017

# He is the Image of the Invisible God

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simultanea  
al español  
disponible en  
servicios  
de AM y PM

## Morning Worship

Call to Worship

Pastor Stephen Byrd

Opening Hymn

**#400 Come Thou Fount  
Of Ev'ry Blessing**

Scripture Reading

**Psalms 116, page 510**

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

**Create in Me a Clean Heart**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord,  
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,  
and renew a right spirit within me.

Text: Psalm 51: 10-12 Music: Keith Green

Preparatory

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

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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Sermon

**Pastor Gary Hendrix**

## Evening Worship

Call to Worship

Pastor Charles Fortner

Opening Hymn

**Glorify Thy Name**

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You,  
glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,  
glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love you, we worship and adore You,  
glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,  
glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Spirit, we love You, we worship and adore You,  
glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,  
glorify Thy name in all the earth.

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**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.

(repeat with few singing "descant")

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Scripture Reading

**Colossians 1:15-29, page 983**

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

**#438 Jesus, I Live to Thee**

Preparatory

**Stronger**

1. There is love that come for us; humbled to a sinners cross.

You broke my shame and sinfulness. You rose again victorious.

2. Faithfulness none can deny, through the storm and through the fire.

There is truth that sets me free: Jesus Christ who lives in me.

(Chorus)

You are stronger, You are stronger. Sin is broken, You have saved me.

It is written, Christ is risen. Jesus, You are Lord of all.

3. No beginning and no end; You're my hope and my defense.

You came to seek and save the lost. You paid it all upon the cross.

(Chorus)

(Bridge)

So let Your name be lifted higher, be lifted higher, be lifted higher.

So let Your name be lifted higher, be lifted higher, be lifted higher.

(Chorus 2x)

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Sermon

**Pastor Andy Dunkerton**