

July 30, 2017

TODAY: Bible Classes: - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:15 a.m.
Message by PASTOR JIM BYRD
Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m. NO EVENING SERVICE
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WEDNESDAY: Mid - week Service - 7:00 p.m.
Message by PASTOR JIM BYRD

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SAVIOR WASH ME

Tune: "Rejoice the Lord is King," (6.6.6.6.8.8.)

Words by Pastor Jim Byrd

To You O Christ I look,
For pardon of my sin;
None else can purify this sinful man within.
O wash me Lord;
I come to You for cleansing, Savior wash me now.

'Tis written in Your Word,
For sinners You once died,
O may Your precious blood to my soul be applied.
O wash me Lord;
I come to You for cleansing, Savior wash me now.

Unworthy though I am,
Of Your forgiving grace,
Yet Lord You came and took this guilty sinner's place.
O wash me Lord;
I come to You for cleansing, Savior wash me now.

I humbly seek Your grace,
And bow before Your throne;
I look to You dear Savior and to You alone.
O wash me Lord;
I come to You for cleansing, Savior wash me now.

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

July 31 Trish Robinette

September 1 Luke McSweeney

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After the message this morning we will partake of the Lord's Supper. We invite everyone to remain after the service for lunch and fellowship. There will be no service this evening.

Congratulations to Bill and Jane (Back) Walker. I was honored to officiate at their wedding Friday evening.

The dates for our fall Bible Conference are October 13-15 and our speakers will be Pastors Tim James and Gary Shepard.

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is an occasion for worship, thanksgiving and personal examination. It is a time of worship: we render honor to our God who in His infinite wisdom purposed to save a chosen people by the substitutionary death of Christ "to the praise of the glory of His grace" (Ephesians 1:6). It is a time of gratitude: we thank the Lord for the "unspeakable Gift" of Christ Jesus and that redemption wrought out by His death upon the cross. It is a time of self-examination. "But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup" (1 Corinthians 11:28). In the bright light of the Word of God we inspect the foundation of our confidence of salvation. Do we build our hopes for everlasting life, acceptance, forgiveness and righteousness solely upon Jesus Christ and His justice-satisfying death? All who believe Christ are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. —Pastor Jim Byrd

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THE BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

"For this is my blood of the new testament which is shed for many for the remission of sins" (Matthew 26:28).

1. Christ said, "this is my blood." "The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin" (1 John 1:7). No other blood could redeem His people except that which was divine. God "purchased the church with His own blood" (Acts 20:28).
2. This was the blood "of the new testament." Christ died as the result of a covenant entered into by the trinity regarding the salvation of a chosen group of sinners (read Hebrews 13:20).
3. This blood was "shed for many." Many is not all; the Bible does not teach universal redemption. Many is not few; the number of the elect is said to be a countless multitude (Rev 7:9).
4. His blood was shed for many "for the remission of sins." God has forgiven and forgotten the sins of His people due to the substitutionary sacrifice of Christ (Eph 1:7). —Pastor Jim Byrd

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THE SAVIOR'S AGONIES

Our blessed Lord, when He had hung three hours on the cross and suffered, not only in His body, but, which was more dreadful still, endured in His immaculate soul that sense of the divine wrath which was due to His people, broke out into that pathetic and bitter cry, "My God! My God! Why hast thou forsaken Me?" Or as I think it may better be rendered, "My God! My God! **How** hast Thou forsaken Me?" As much to say, "To what depth of immense distress does the withdrawing of Thy presence reduce Me!" Christ suffered as our Substitute and in our stead; the punishment which must otherwise have fallen on us, was transferred on Him and one part of that punishment consisted in the inward manifestations of the divine displeasure. These, therefore, the Redeemer felt, not for any evil done by Him, but for the sins done by others which He graciously took upon Himself to atone for. So that this was the time wherein it pleased the Lord to bruise Him and to make His soul an offering for sin. If the Most High God bent His bow against Him as an enemy and stood at His right hand as an adversary, it is easy to account for the remarkable dismay of the Redeemer. It is not to be wondered at, that His heart, though otherwise indued with invincible fortitude, should, on this occasion, become like melting wax (Psalm 22:14).

The vinegar and the gall, which they gave Him to drink, were not half so bitter as the cup of His Father's wrath; yet for the sake of His people, He drank it to the very dregs. The nails that pierced His hands and the spear that cleft His heart, were not half so sharp as the frowns of His eternal Father's countenance; which, for our consolation, He patiently submitted to bear. He was rent with wounds and racked with pain; yet this, all this, was gentle, was lenient, in comparison of those inexpressible agonies which penetrated His very soul. The former, fetched not a single complaint from His mouth; the latter, wrung from His breaking heart that passionate exclamation, "My God! My God! Why hast Thou forsaken Me?" Astonishing words! Surely a distress beyond all imagination grievous, uttered them! Surely the vengeance, not of men, but of heaven itself, exhorted them! Every syllable of which speaks what the prophet describes; "Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? Behold and see, if there be any sorrow like unto My sorrow, wherewith the Lord hath afflicted Me in the day of His fierce anger" (Lamentations 1:12). —Augustus Toplady, author of "Rock of Ages"

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"I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought Him near before Him. And there was given Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him: His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed" (Daniel 7:13-14).