

February 17, 2019

TODAY: Morning Worship - 10:15 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.
Messages by PASTOR JIM BYRD
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WEDNESDAY: Mid-week Service—7:00 p.m.
Message by PASTOR JIM BYRD

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I MAGNIFY THE LAMB

Tune: "O For A Thousand Tongues," (CM)
Words by Pastor Jim Byrd

*Let others boast of all their works,
Of things their hands have wrought;
My voice shall praise the Savior's name,
Whose blood redemption bought.*

*I magnify the Lamb of God,
Who from eternity;
Was set apart to die for me,
By the divine decree.*

*In time the Son of God came forth,
For me He bled and died;
And with my bleeding Substitute,
The Lord was satisfied.*

*That One who gave His life for me,
Now reigns in heav'n above;
He sent His Spirit to my heart,
And shed abroad His love.*

*By faith I trust in Him alone,
Who in my stead has died;
My soul can never be condemned,
For God is satisfied.*

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Feb. 18 Roberta Dean
19 Brooke Maynard
Sheila Salyer
Jacob McSweeney
20 Kathy Keelin

Feb. 21 Mary McKee
Terry Keelin
22 Martha Lewis
Dan Harris
Yvona Stahl

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"I will praise the LORD according to His righteousness: and will sing praise to the name of the LORD most high" (Psalm 7:17).

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God is the fountain of all blessings. No creature is good or pleasant any more than God makes him to be so. All the decency and morality of unconverted men is to be attributed to the restraining mercy of the Holy Spirit. The sun warms us, our food nourishes us and our friends are pleasant to us because God makes them so. All the joys in the world are but beams from that uncreated Light, but separate a man from God and all becomes dark. God is the fountain of all joy; separate a man from God finally and no creature could ever give him joy. This is to be cast away, cut off from God forever and ever. Even if there were no lake of fire, to be cut off from God would, of itself, be hell. —Robert Murray M'Cheyne, edited

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HUMILITY

"The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility" (Proverbs 15:33). Whom God honors, He humbles first. He giveth more grace to the humble because the humble give Him all the glory. The highest throne which He has upon earth is the humble heart. "For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones" (Isaiah 57:15). What an honor is here promised to the humble: the greatest they can have on this side of heaven. God will dwell with them, and what a blessing! Oh my God; bestow upon me this grace, which is so precious in Thy sight. —Henry Mahan, from our bulletin, July 29, 1956

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JEHOVAH-JIREH

"And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen" (Genesis 22:14). By divine command, Abraham took his beloved son Isaac up to Mount Moriah to offer him as a burnt offering to the Lord. When the old patriarch raised the sacrificial knife to kill his son, he was stopped by the Lord and an animal was offered to God in the stead of Isaac. The ram was a figure of Christ and Isaac was a type of every child of God in whose place Christ died. "Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou anything unto him" is what Abraham was commanded. The ram died "in the stead of his son" (v. 13). What an instructive illustration! Those for whom Jesus died are set free because He was their Substitute; it cannot be that the Son of God would die in the place of His people and then His people die too. "Twice payment God will not demand, first at my bleeding Surety's hand, and then again at mine." As a lasting monument to the kindness and grace of God in sparing Isaac, Abraham gave to that place a special name, "Jehovah-jireh." Several bibles have in the center column this note on that expression: "Jehovah-jireh: that is, the Lord will see, or the Lord will provide." The name means four things.

-1- Jehovah will see. God will always see the substitutionary death of His Son on the behalf of His chosen people and He will always be satisfied with all Christ endured in His death upon the cross. God keeps His eye on the blood and, as He declared, "When I see the blood, I will pass over you" (Exodus 12:13).

-2- Jehovah will provide, or Jehovah has provided. When Isaac inquired, "Where is the Lamb," his father answered, "My son, God will provide Himself a lamb for a burnt offering" (v. 8). Many hundreds of years later Abraham's prophecy was fulfilled when God gave His Son to die. "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world" (John 1:29).

-3- Jehovah will be seen. "In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen." Divine justice was set forth in the sacrifice of the ram and divine mercy was revealed in the deliverance of Isaac. Even so, the death of the Son of God was the answer to the age-old question, "How can God be just and justify the ungodly?" Through the death of His Son, God magnified law and justice, honored His holy character in the punishment of sin and set forth the riches of His grace in the salvation of undeserving sinners.

-4- What Jehovah will make one to see. He will make redeemed sinners see the greatness of His wisdom in the sacrificial death of Christ. He will cause His people to realize that in the offering of the body of Christ once for all, His holy law that demanded death for sin was fully honored. He will make the undeserving value the vastness of His grace to them through the Lord Jesus Christ.

—Pastor Jim Byrd