

May 19, 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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FOR ME

*Tune: "I Love Thy Kingdom" (SM)
Words by Pastor Jim Byrd*

*For me the Son of God,
Descended to this earth;
My soul reflects with grateful praise
Upon His virgin birth.*

*For me the Savior lived,
A life of purity;
Committed to God's holy law,
He kept it faithfully.*

*For me Christ Jesus died,
In pain and agony;
He bore the burden of my sin,
And nailed it to the tree.*

*For me He rose again,
And ever lives on high;
And to the Father's holy throne,
Through Him I can draw nigh.*

*For me Christ will return,
And with Him I shall be;
Then I will praise my Savior's name
Throughout eternity.*

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"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever" (Hebrews 13:8).
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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

May 21 Isabella Burchett

May 24 Billie Horan

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Congratulations to Jamie and Jessica (Harmon) Horan who were married yesterday here at the church. May the Lord be pleased to bless them with many years of happiness.

This evening, immediately following our worship service, we will honor our 2019 high school graduates: Scott Busch, Ethan Patel and Kyleigh West. We are so proud of these young people and request the Lord's blessings upon them as they begin a new chapter of their lives.

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THE RECONCILIATION OF ENEMIES

"For if when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by His life" (Romans 5:10). There was but one way a holy God and His vile enemies could be reconciled. One who was equal with the offended God and yet a brother of the offenders, must answer the demands of the divine law. He must be perfect in the place of the offenders, and He must experience death as their Substitute in order to satisfy the just penalty of a broken law. Bless the name of Jesus Christ, He is the Son of God and the Son of Man who has fully satisfied God and completely accomplished the redemption, reconciliation and salvation of His people by His obedience unto death, even the death of the cross. —Pastor Jim Byrd

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God is a law unto Himself, and He is under no obligation to give an account of His matters to any (Job 33:13). —A. W. Pink

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I have often said that anything this side of hell is mercy. Recently, while reading from Mr. Spurgeon, I came across a statement he made which is quite similar. "As long as a man is alive and out of hell, he cannot have anything to complain about." —Pastor Jim Byrd

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Man in his rebellion against the Creator remains incurably religious, and he seeks to satisfy this instinct by making his own deities. He much prefers these lifeless puppets to the one true and living God, because they allow him to pull the strings. —copied

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ONLY TRUST HIM!

"Trust ye in the LORD forever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength" (Isaiah 26:4). There is no act of the soul more acceptable to God, because there is none that brings more glory to His great name, than this. Wherever we trace in the Scriptures a trust in the Lord, there we find special and remarkable deliverance. It is recorded of the children of Israel that the Lord delivered their enemies into their hand, *"for they cried to God in the battle, and He was entreated of them; because they put their trust in Him"* (1 Chronicles 5:20). Again, we read of God's wondrous message sent to Ebedmelech, the Ethiopian. *"For I will surely deliver thee, and thou shalt not fall by the sword, but thy life shall be for a prey unto thee: because thou hast put thy trust in me, saith the LORD"* (Jeremiah 39:18). The experience, too, of God's people confirms the blessedness of trusting in the Lord. *"In God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me"* (Psalm 56:4). *"It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man"* (Psalm 118:8). *"The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him, and I am helped"* (Psalm 28:7). The promises connected with trusting in the Lord are equally rich and encouraging. *"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee; because he trusteth in Thee"* (Isaiah 26:3). *"None of them that trust in Him shall be desolate"* (Psalm 34:22). *"Oh how great is Thy goodness which Thou hast laid up for them that fear Thee; which Thou hast wrought for them that trust in Thee before the sons of men! Thou shalt hide them in the secret of Thy presence from the pride of man: Thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues"* (Psalm 31:19-20). What a marvelous and precious cluster of Divine encouragements to those who trust in the Lord with all their heart, under all circumstances, and at all times! *"Only trust"* (Mark 5:36) is Jesus' word to the ruler of the synagogue. This is the utmost thing I require at your hand. I demand no costly sacrifice—no wearisome pilgrimage—no personal worthiness—no strength, or wisdom, or self-endeavors of your own. Only trust me. Only believe that I wait to answer prayer—that I am gracious—that I have all power at my command—that I have your interest at heart—that there is no good thing I am willing to withhold—that I, and I alone, can guide your present steps, can unravel the web of your difficulties, guide your perplexities, extricate you from the snares that have woven their net-work around your feet, and bring you through fire and through water. Only trust me! Beloved, is this too hard? Is the request unreasonable and impracticable? What! only to trust Jesus? Only to trust your needs to His ear—your burdens to His arm—your sorrows to His heart? Is this too hard? Is it beyond your power? Then tell Jesus so. Remind Him of His own words, *"Without me ye can do nothing"* (John 15:5). And ask from His hands the faith to trust, the heart to trust, the courage to trust, and the power to trust all your interests, temporal and spiritual, for time and for eternity, into His hands.

—Octavius Winslow