

# **OCTOBER 30TH, 2022**

#### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

2 Chronicles 4:1-22

In 1989, our dear shepherd at that time, Pastor Ron Blough, initiated our reading through a portion of the 66 books of the Bible as a congregation, typically a chapter each Sunday. Since then, we have been through the entire Bible one full time and are currently in Second Chronicles, the 14th book of the Bible.

#### TODAY'S SERVICE

- 1. Hymn #74 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
- 2. Opening Prayer & Announcements
- 3. Hymn #108 "The Love of God"
- 4. Hymn #248 "O How I Love Jesus"
- 5. Hymn #263 "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"
- 6. Reading: Brother Galen Q.
- 7. Message: "The Furnishings & Fulfillments of Life in Christ"
- 8. Hymn #253 "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"
- 9. Benediction

10. Sunday Evening Bible Study - 6 p.m. The Holy War #54; Epistle of James



# The FURNISHINGS and FULFILLMENTS of LIFE in CHRIST

He made an altar of bronze, twenty cubits long and twenty cubits wide and ten cubits high. 2 CHRONICLES 4:1, ESV

## I. BACKGROUND FOR OUR CHAPTER

A. the Bronze Altar & Furnishings of the Temple & Court	vv1-10
B. the Burnished Bronze Work of Huram-abi	vv11-18
C. the Beautiful Gold Furnishings of the Sanctuary	vv19-22

## II. BLESSINGS & APPLICATION FROM OUR TEXT

For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. **HEBREWS 9:24**, ESV

## A. Furnishings for Gospel Work

- 1. bronze altar for sacrifice, v1
- 2. bronze sea for purification, vv2-6
- 3. brilliance of light, bread, basins, doors, & placement of the sea, vv7-10
- 4. bronze-work for every duty, large & small, vv11-18
- 5. beautiful vessels of purest gold, vv19-22

#### **B.** Fulfillments in Gospel Life

- 1. salvation in Christ, v1; 2 Cor 5:21
- 2. sanctification by the Holy Spirit, vv2-6; John 7:37-39; Rev 4:6
- 3. setting our eyes upon Christ, vv7-10; Heb 12:2
- 4. setting our hands to work upon gospel truth, vv11-18; Col 3:23
- 5. setting our hearts upon the things to come, vv19-22; Col 3:2

# C. Finding Personal Application for Our Lives

- 1. for those who trust Christ
- 2. for those who have yet to trust Christ

#### **QUOTE of the WEEK**

NO truth is more plainly taught in God's word than this, that the salvation of sinners is entirely owing to the grace of God. If there be anything clear at all in Scripture, it is plainly there declared that men are lost by their own works, but saved through the free favour of God; their ruin is justly merited, but their salvation is always the result of the unmerited mercy of God. In varied forms of expression, but with constant clearness and positiveness, this truth is over and over again declared. Yet, plain as this truth is, and influencing, as it should do, every part of our doctrinal belief, it is frequently forgotten. Many of the heresies which divide the Christian church, spring from a cloudiness upon this point. Were that word "grace" but fully read, marked, and learned, the great evangelical system would be far more firmly held, and plainly preached: but forgetfulness that "by grace ye are saved," is a common fault among all conditions of men. Sinners forget it, and they seek salvation by the works of the law; they refuse to surrender to the sovereign grace of God, and entrench themselves behind the tottering fence of their own righteousness. And saints forget this, too, and therefore their minds become dark, their spirits fall into legal bondage, and where they ought to rejoice in the Lord unceasingly, they become despondent, and full of unbelieving dread. Brethren, I am incessantly preaching here the doctrines of grace, they are growingly dear to me; but often as I preach them, I trust they are not wearisome to you; and if they should be, that sad fact would not induce me to be silent upon them, but rather urge me to proclaim them more frequently and fervently, for your weariness of them would be a clear proof that you required to hear them yet again, and again, and again, until your souls were brought to delight in them. There is no music out of heaven equal to the sound of that word "grace," save only the celestial melody of the name of Jesus. One of the early fathers was called the angelic doctor, surely he is most angelic who preaches most of grace. Grace among the attributes is the Chrysostom, it has a golden mouth; it is the Barnabas, for it is full of consolation; it is the Boanerges, for it thunders against self-righteousness. It is man's star of hope, the well-spring of his eternal life, the seed of his future bliss. [EMPHASIS in original]

"Dei Gratia" from the text, Ephesians 1:6 a sermon delivered on October 30th, 1870 by Charles Haddon Spurgeon Metropolitan Tabernacle Pulpit, Volume 16, Sermon No. 958

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FAMILY READINGS		PRIVATE READINGS		
2 Kings 11-12	2 Timothy 2	30	Hosea 3-4	Ps. 119:121-144
2 Kings 13	2 Timothy 3	31	Hosea 5-6	Ps. 119:145-176
2 Kings 14	2 Timothy 4	1	Hosea 7	Ps. 120-122
2 Kings 15	Titus 1	2	Hosea 8	Ps. 123-125
2 Kings 16	Titus 2	3	Hosea 9	Ps. 126-128
2 Kings 17	Titus 3	4	Hosea 10	Ps. 129-131
2 Kings 18	Philemon	5	Hosea 11	Ps. 132-134
2 Kings 19	Hebrews 1	6	Hosea 12	Ps. 135-136

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