# **Shreveport Grace Church**

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#### SUNDAY

Live Streaming (Audio and Video)

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: Psalm 114 (Bob)

**Call to Worship:** 'Great Father of Glory'

Scripture Reading: <u>2 Thessalonians 3 (Brad</u>)

Hymn # 226- 'My Savior'

Scripture Reading: <u>Romans 9:1-9</u> (David)

Message: 'Sorrow for the Unconverted'

Hymn # 224- 'I Know Whom I Have Believed'

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP**

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WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM- Studies on the Names and Titles of Jesus in Scripture FRIDAY 7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi)

10:00 AM- Bible Study in French

SATURDAY

8:00 AM- Fellowship in Christ

SUNDAY

7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi)

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## Call to Worship (Tune # 268- 'How Firm a Foundation')

Great Father of Glory, how rich is Thy Grace! What wonderful Love is displayed in Thy face! In Jesus Thy image, with brightness we view. With hope to be formed in that likeness anew.

> Oh, Wonder of wonders! Astonished I gaze, To see in a manger the Ancient of Days! From sin to release us, that yoke so long worn. My God, my Creator of a virgin was born!

For unworthy sinners, my LORD bowed His head. For unworthy sinners, He suffered and bled. My Spirit rejoices, the work is all done! My soul is redeemed, my salvation is won!

> Great Father of Glory, how rich is Thy Grace! What Wonderful Love is displayed in Thy face! In Him, our Beloved we're washed in His blood, With confidence come to the throne of our God.

### **Christ the Lamb Without Blemish or Spot**

nder the law, their offerings must be without blemish. Therefore the LORD reproves the people for they brought that which was torn and the lame and the sick, saying, **"Ye brought an offering, should I accept this of your hands saith the LORD?"** (Malachi 1:8) It is as much as if He had said, "I the LORD delight not in, but abhor lame, blind, imperfect offerings. I must have one without blemish." But now seeing that all these unblemished lambs, etc., under the law could not take away sin, either a sacrifice without spot and blemish must be found, that is sufficient to take away sin or else sin must remain. Therefore, the LORD Christ stepped in and it is said, *"Wherefore when He cometh into the world, He saith, Sacrifice and offerings thou wouldest not. Then said I, Lo I come to do Thy will O God."* Christ is the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world, Who offered up Himself to God without spot, for He is that True Lamb without blemish and spot. Herein our Jesus was a Priest transcending the priests under the law, which had infirmity and the sacrifices under the law that were imperfect. For the LORD Jesus was pure and spotless, yea, perfectly pure in Whose mouth was found no guile, Who knew no sin: [Lev. 1:3-10; Mal. 1:7-10; John 1:29-36; Heb. 9:14; 1 Pet. 1:19; Heb. 7:28; 11:19; 1 Pet. 2:22; 2 Cor. 5:21].

Edward Drapes, 1649

#### The Law Worketh Wrath "Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression." (Romans 4:15)

Any who look to the law of God either to give them salvation or to maintain salvation must read carefully this declaration of God in His Holy Word. The law can only work wrath. Here it simply states 'law' works wrath. That is any rule, obligation or duty that someone may seek to follow for peace, pardon, justification, sanctification or redemption must necessarily be condemned. Why? Because God is a Holy and Just God and cannot accept any in His presence who are not just as holy as He is. For this reason, the Scriptures are clear:

1. "Sin is the transgression of the law." (1 John 3:4)

2. "The law was added because of transgressions." (Galatians 3:19)

3. "By the law is the knowledge of sin, therefore, by the deeds of the law shall no flesh be justified in God's sight." (Romans 3:20)

4. "It is a ministration of condemnation." (2 Corinthians 3:9)

5. "Cursed is every one who continueth not in ALL things, which

are written in the book of the law to do them." (Galatians 3:10)

How blind and foolish then it is for any to look to the law for any help. All the law can do is work in us a sense of our condemnation, a fearful looking for judgment and a fiery indignation, <u>Hebrews 10:27</u>. When the Spirit of God shines the Light of Glory: Christ in the soul, it is then that that sinner will see himself as he is, a child deserving of God's wrath, unable to save himself. Then the mouth is stopped and the sinner is found guilty, <u>Romans 3:19</u>.

What then is the remedy? The second part of <u>Romans 4:15</u> tells us that *where there is no law, there is no transgression.* How can it be that the law be satisfied and its condemnation removed to such a degree that there is NO TRANSGRESSION? The only answer is that there is an Advocate, an Arbiter Who has so fulfilled the law that there remains nothing but righteousness to impute to those sinners for whom He is their Representative before a Holy God. Here is where the Spirit of God leads the sinner upon beginning His work in the heart. It is to Him Who fulfilled the law for that sinner and is shown how the death of the LORD Jesus took away all the wrath of God and the curse of sin for him, thereby obtaining everlasting peace with God, Christ Jesus having paid their horrible sin debt! This is Good News indeed for those sinners that the Father chose and the Son has come and redeemed. When so enLightened by the Spirit of God, that sinner will cease any further attempts at personal obedience or works of their own for relief: *"For the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus, hath made us free from the law of sin and death."* (Romans 8:2)

Ken Wimer

### The Omniscience of God

hou God seest me. Gen. 16:13

O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, Io, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether..Such knowledge is too wonderful for me: it is high, I cannot attain unto it. <u>Psa.139:1-6</u>

The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good. Prov. 15:3

The ways of man are before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings. <u>Prov. 5:21</u>

God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God. Luke 16:15

The eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. <u>2 Chron. 16:9</u>

Jesus...knew all men and needed not that any should testify of man; for he knew what was in man. John 2:24-25

Daily Light on the Daily Path

## By One Offering "By one offering, Christ hath perfected forever them who are sanctified."

(Hebrews 10:14)

n what sense has Christ perfected them forever? My dear reader, it is for want of Faith in this that we feel so much distress in our consciences, so little love to Christ in our hearts and enjoy no more peace with God in our souls. Sin causes all this. But Christ has perfected us forever. That is, He has taken away all our sins, fully and finally from before God. He has so perfectly freed us from all the charges of law and justice that there is now NOT ONE CONDEMNATION against us, no more than if we had never sinned.

How has Christ done this? **By one Offering.** Oh, the love of Christ for sinners who deserved it not. Oh, the willingness of Christ in it! He gave Himself for our sins, <u>Galatians 4:4</u>. Oh the pains and agonies He endured for our salvation and the glorious efficacy of His offering upon the cross! He made thereby ONE oblation of Himself ONCE offered, a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for our sins.

William Mason