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OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY

[Live Streaming \(Audio and Video\)](#)

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: [Psalm 62](#) (Mike)

Call to Worship: 'God in the Riches of His Grace'

Scripture Reading: [1 Timothy 6](#) (David)

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

Message- 'That It Might Be Fulfilled'

[John 18:28-36](#)

Hymn # 46- 'O for a Thousand Tongues'

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WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM- Studies in Jesus' Miracles

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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Radio Broadcasts every Sunday Morning (CST):

9:00 KWKH AM Radio 1130, Shreveport, LA area or LIVE streaming @ <http://1130thetiger.com/listen-live>

Call to Worship

(Tune # 118- 'When I Survey the Wondrous Cross')

God in the riches of His Grace,
Before the world He did ordain.

A seed elect of Adam's race,
Eternal Glory should obtain.

God in the riches of His Grace,
Hath Christ exalted over all.
His goings forth of old we trace.
The sinner's Surety in the fall.

God in the riches of His Grace,
Hath to the charge of Jesus laid.
The sin of all His chosen race,
Whose debt of suffering Jesus paid.

God in the riches of His Grace,
Hath in the Gospel, Christ displayed.
Whose blood hath sealed the sinner's peace,
And bruised the venom'd serpent's head.

God in the riches of His Grace,
We'll for endless time adore.
And Wisdom still His Wonders trace,
We can ne'er His depths explore.

A Way that Seemeth Right

*“There is a way that seemeth right unto a man,
but the end thereof are the ways of death.”*

[\(Proverbs 14:12\)](#)

Stop, oh soul and consider what way art thou in? That which seems right in thy own sight or that which God declares is right in His? Remember, the way of a righteous fool is right IN HIS OWN EYES but he who hearkens unto Counsel is wise: [Proverbs 12:15](#).

Jesus is our Counselor. Harken unto Him! He says, *“I am **THE WAY**...”* [\(John 14:6\)](#) The Only Way, exclusive of every other way for pardon from God, peace and acceptance with God, justification before God and enjoyment of God. This is the Good Old Way: walk therein and ye shall find rest for your souls, [Jeremiah 6:16](#).

William Mason, 1773

Trees of Righteousness

*“...that they might be called trees of righteousness,
the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.”*

[\(Isaiah 61:3\)](#)

There is nothing more refreshing and relaxing than walking through the forest and considering all the variety of trees. Each tree is distinct from the others, in height, size, foliage, and bark, and yet, each one has some characteristics that are the same as the others- roots, trunk, and branches.

The Scripture uses the metaphor of the tree to describe those who are the LORD's. If any are the LORD's it is because they have been planted in Christ by the Father Who is the Husbandman, [John 15:1](#). It is because they are of the seed that was sown in the life and death of the LORD Jesus that they spring up unto eternal life and are called trees of righteousness, [Matthew 13:31-32](#). This is not a righteousness that they have personally produced but one appointed and imputed by God, through the obedience of the LORD Jesus unto death and revealed by the Holy Spirit in their heart, which then causes them to submit to Christ and His imputed righteousness alone, in all grace and humility: [[1 Peter 1:2](#), [Romans 10:3-4](#)].

One old writer wrote: *“Like trees that are well planted; whose root is in Christ, whose sap is the Spirit and his Grace, and whose fruit is good works; and that they might appear to be good trees, and of a good growth and stature, and be laden with the fruits of righteousness, and be truly righteous persons, made so by the imputation of Christ's righteousness to them: **"the planting of the LORD"** planted by Him in Christ and in His church and so never to be rooted out.”*

One thing about trees in the forest is that although some are growing within feet of each other, they grow together, not against each other. Believers have been planted in Christ in various parts of the world and where you find them together; there is oneness and unity of mind and heart with each other and a desire to grow in Grace and the knowledge of the LORD as revealed in His Blessed Gospel: [Ephesians 4:13-15](#).

A tree trunk also tells an interesting history. Perhaps a strong wind or some erosion may have caused it at one time to lean or bend but where there is that strong root, it will continue to grow upward drawn by the light of the sun. Even so, it is with believers. In looking at their Spiritual trunks, you will certainly see notches, bends and curves from the afflictions and trials of life and effects of sin. Nevertheless, being planted in Christ, they continue to grow upward, nurtured by the Son and blessed by Him.

Ken Wimer

How God Blesses His People with His Favor

The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee.
The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. [Num. 6:25-26](#)

No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of God the Father, he hath declared him. [John 1:18](#)

The brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person. [Heb. 1:3](#)

*Make thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for thy mercies sake.
Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee. [Psalm 31:16-17](#)*

LORD, by thy favour thou hast made my mountain to stand strong: thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled. [Psa. 30:7](#)

Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O LORD in the light of thy countenance. [Psa. 89:15](#)

The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace. [Psa. 29:11](#)

Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. [Matt. 14:27](#)

Daily Light on the Daily Path

Sins Blotted Out and Remembered No More

The Scripture says we are justified by Christ Jesus' blood: [[Rom. 5:9](#); [Isa. 45:25](#); [Isa. 53:11](#); [Rom. 5:19](#)] which could not be true if He had not taken away and destroyed all our sins and **"...presented us to God without spot, and made peace by the blood of his cross, now hath he reconciled in the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy, and unblameable, and unreprouvable in his sight..."** ([Col. 1:20-22](#)) for this end: **"Christ gave himself for his church, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing, but that it might be holy without blemish..."** ([Eph. 5](#))

Therefore, the Scriptures say that all our sins are removed: cast behind His back: **"Thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back..."** ([Isa 38:17](#)); **"They were cast into the depth of the sea..."** ([Micah 7:19](#)); **"As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us..."** ([Psalm 103:12](#)) This is something but this is not all, they are covered: **"Whose sin is covered..."** ([Psalm 32:1](#)) Yet the soul is not satisfied because a thing may have a being that is covered; therefore God says they are blotted out: **"I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions, and as a cloud thy sin..."** ([Isa. 44:22](#)) This is more, for now they are not, they have no being. But God can remember that which is not, this is answered, for God says, **"I will not remember thy sins..."** ([Isa. 43:25](#)) **"I will remember their sins no more..."** ([Jer. 31:34](#))