

tomorrow, that many would attend, and would experience salvation.

Readings from Matthew chapter 11—February 7<sup>th</sup>- 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021

<sup>1</sup> Now it came to pass, when Jesus finished commanding His twelve disciples, that He departed from there to teach and to preach in their cities. <sup>2</sup> And when John had heard in prison about the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples <sup>3</sup> and said to Him, “Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?” <sup>4</sup> Jesus answered and said to them, “Go and tell John the things which you hear and see: <sup>5</sup> *The* blind see and *the* lame walk; *the* lepers are cleansed and *the* deaf hear; *the* dead are raised up and *the* poor have the gospel preached to them. <sup>6</sup> And blessed is he who is not offended because of Me.”

**Sunday:** **What is a disciple?** **Pray** with Oswego (N.Y.) RPC for retired pastor Kit Swartz’s healing and for blessing on him and his wife Karen in their retirement. **Pray** for the 80 teenagers in the community near North Edinburgh (Scotland) RPC who have received their own Bibles and Christian books this winter, as a result of generous giving to a lockdown fundraising by one of the children in the church.

**Monday:** **Why did Jesus choose twelve disciples?** **Pray** for elder and deacon training at Messiah’s Church (Clay, N.Y.) as well as for current elders and deacons to be fruitful in their service to Christ and His people. **Pray** for the Pastors Fellowship in The Gambia, a valuable time of training for various ministers.

**Tuesday:** **Why is the difference between teaching and preaching? Should preaching always include teaching?** **Pray** for wisdom for Clarinda (Ia.) RPC as Pastor Jack Baumgardner retires in March. **Pray** for the meeting of the Atlanta Commission, scheduled for Thursday evening at 6:30.

**Wednesday:** **Why was John the Baptist in prison? (See Mark 6:14-20.)** **Pray** for our brothers and sisters around the world who are in prison for Christ’s sake. **Pray** for the beginning of Ross Fearing’s pastor ministry in Sparta (Ill.) RPC and for new opportunities to minister in the community. **Pray** for our nation’s leaders, that they would kiss the Son and submit to His rule; **give thanks** for those who do, and **pray** for their protection. **Pray** for Las Vegas (Nev.) RPC and the man called as pastor.

**Thursday:** **What was the particular role of John the Baptist? (See John 1:19-23.)** **Pray** for Pastor Ryan Somerville and the ruling elders and deacons of the Rochester (N.Y.) RPC, that God will bless their ministry to His people. **Pray** for the outreach efforts of Stranraer (Scotland) RPC. **Pray** for Geneva College.

**Friday:** **Why does Jesus give the answer He does in vv. 4-6? (See Isaiah 61:1-3.)** **Pray** for the Bloomington (Ind.) RPC as they minister to students at nearby Indiana University, many of whom come from all over the world. **Pray** for the RP Church as it ministers in Spain, that there would be many converts to Christ. **Pray** for Coldenham-Newburgh (N.Y.) RPC and its student preacher, Zach Dotson.

**Saturday:** **In what ways might people be offended because of Jesus? Have you ever taken offense at Jesus?** **Pray** with the people of Walton (N.Y.) RPC, that the ministry of God’s word might be effective in producing strong faith and perseverance as they prepare for the storms of life. **Pray** for the service at ARPC

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Welcome and Announcements  
Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions  
The Call to Worship Psalm 65:4  
  
\*The Invocation  
\*Psalm 33A “You Righteous, Praise the Lord with Joy”  
Scripture Reading Mark 15:25-39  
  
\*Psalm 78A “O Ye, My People, To My Law”  
  
Pastoral Prayer  
\*Psalm 19A “The Spacious Heav’ns Declare”  
  
Scripture Text Psalm 19  
  
The Sermon “Trifocals of Praise”  
  
\*Prayer  
\*Psalm 19B “Jehovah’s Perfect Law”  
  
The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper  
\*Psalm 115B “O Israel, Trust Ye in the Lord”

\*Benediction

\* Congregation will please stand.

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions & Answers

“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.”—*Isaiah 53:6*.

“O how love I thy law! It is my meditation all the day.”—*Psalms 119:97*.

“Thanks be unto God for His indescribable gift!”—*II Corinthians 9:15*.

**Q. 58. What is required in the fourth commandment? A. The fourth commandment requireth the keeping holy to God such set times as he hath appointed in his word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy sabbath to himself.**

**Q. 96. What is the Lord's supper? A. The Lord's supper is a sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to Christ's appointment, his death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.**

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*We welcome to our pulpit today the Rev. Steven Work. A graduate of Sterling (Kan.) College and Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, Pastor Work has pastored churches in North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, California, and Kansas. Though retired from the pastorate, he remains active in ministry, serving as an elder at the Southwest Ohio Reformed Presbyterian Church, Mason, Ohio, and Moderator of the Atlanta Commission.*

Sermon Outline

A. The Declaration of the Sky (19:1-6)

1. God displays His glory in space (19:1)

2. God displays His glory in time (19:2)

3. God displays His glory in things (19:3-6)

B. The Description of the Scripture (19:7-11)

1. The LORD displays His clear will (19:7-9)

2. The LORD displays His necessary will (19:10)

3. The LORD displays His sufficient will (19:11)

C. The Detection of the Sinner (19:12-14)

1. The LORD displays justification in salvation (19:12)

2. The LORD displays sanctification in salvation (19:13)

3. The LORD displays submission in salvation (19:14)