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SCRIPTURE ALONE · GRACE ALONE · CHRIST ALONE

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SUNDAY

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

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: [Psalm 79](#) (Robert)

Call to Worship: 'Christ Our Prophet, Priest and King'

Scripture Reading: [Luke 24](#) (Aaron)

Hymn # 145- 'Hail, Thou Once-Despised Jesus!'

Scripture Reading: [John 21:15-25](#) (David)

Message: 'Eyes on Christ'

Hymn # 351- 'Near the Cross'

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

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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 # 236- 'Amazing Grace')

We bless the Prophet of the LORD,
That comes with Truth and Grace.
Jesus, Thy Spirit, and Thy WORD,
Shall lead us in Thy Way.

We reverence our High Priest above,
Who offered up His blood.
And lives to carry on His love,
In Heaven, He's our God.

We honor our Exalted King;
How sweet are His commands!
He guards our souls from hell and sin,
By His almighty hands.

Hosanna to His glorious name,
Who keeps by different ways!
His mercies lay a sovereign claim,
To our immortal praise.

A True Redeemer

Our Divine Redeemer, Whom God the Father highly exalted in consequence of His completing His work as Redeemer Who laid down His own life to pay the ransom price, is a Redeemer that recovers and restores all that He paid a ransom price for. The Redeemer that made Himself responsible for both. I wish I had stronger terms. I feel that the best language man can employ falls far short of expressing a theme so sublime. I do not know that I could get a better subject if I were to ask angels or ransomed souls around the throne to give me one.

As the apostle Peter was directed to set it down: **“Ye were not redeemed with corruptible things such as silver and gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot...”** ([1 Peter 1:18-19](#)) That is the ransom price and our souls rejoice in the fact that this was official. He did not pay down a promiscuous sum, an uncertain amount and all the merit and righteousness left in an uncertainty as to whether anybody would be the better for it but a stipulated price for His covenant people in ancient covenant settlements and predestinating enactments. He knew who He paid for, He knew what He paid for them. He makes a sovereign demand for the property He has thus purchased.

Joseph Irons, 1850

The Foundation of Gospel Truth

“And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up in glory.”

([1 Timothy 3:16](#))

While unbelievers contest with the clear declaration of God in His inspired Word, yet, for those that He has taught by His Spirit, the Truth as it is in Christ is self-evident and incontrovertible: **“...without controversy...”**. Here we have 5 indisputable statements regarding Christ and His work accomplished for the salvation of sinners. The way these words are structured in Greek, they are as refrains of a hymn, that history records would have been sung by the early church as her confession of Faith.

1.) God was manifested in the flesh: For the accomplishing of the work of salvation, God Himself took on flesh. It was in the person of His Son that God came: **“...in the fulness of the time made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons...”** ([Galatians 4:4-5](#))

2.) Justified in the Spirit: By the Holy Spirit He is declared to be what He always was and is: the Just One, in Whom the Father is well pleased, declared so at His baptism ([Matthew 3:16](#)) and in His death and resurrection: [1 Peter 3:18](#); [Acts 2:32-33](#). In time, the Spirit reveals the work of righteousness in the hearts of those whom the Father justified when Christ finished the work at the cross, [1 Corinthians 6:11](#).

3.) Seen by angels: There were many instances when the LORD Jesus was seen by angels from His birth to His death, burial, resurrection and ascension back to Heaven ([Mark 1:13](#); [Luke 22:41-43](#)) and especially at the resurrection [Matthew 28:2-7](#).

4.) Preached among the Gentiles, believed on in the world: Christ did not come to establish an earthly Jewish kingdom, but rather a spiritual kingdom made up of sinners from every tribe nation, and tongue, through the preaching of His Person and Work accomplished at the Cross whereby

they have been given faith to believe, [Romans 1:5](#). God's way of creating faith in men's hearts is not by pictures, music, passion plays, movies, or symbols, but by the hearing of the Word of God preached [1 Corinthians 1:18-21](#).

5.) *Received up in glory*: This is the ultimate purpose for the LORD Jesus coming: that having finished the work of redemption, justification and sanctification of those given Him by the Father, He should return to the Father Who sent Him. His resurrection and ascension [\[Luke 24:51\]](#) are proof that He finished the work [\[Hebrews 1:3\]](#) and now ever lives to intercede for each one for whom He paid the debt, [1 John 2:1](#).

Ken Wimer

Christ Our Mercy Seat

Thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark, and there I will meet with thee. [Exo. 25:21-22](#)

The way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest. [Heb. 9:8](#)

Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom. [Matt. 27:50-51](#)

*Having...brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,
by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say,
his flesh...let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith,
having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.* [Heb. 10:19-22](#)

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. [Heb. 4:16](#)

*Christ Jesus: whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation [mercy seat] through faith in his blood,
to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God.* [Rom. 3:24-25](#)

Through him we...have access by one Spirit unto the Father. [Eph. 2:18](#)

Daily Light on the Daily Path

Justified by the Obedience and Blood of Christ

The word *justify* is never used in a physical sense for producing any real change in men but in a forensic sense and stands opposed (not to a state of impurity and unholiness) but to a state of condemnation. It is a law term used of judicial affairs, transacted in a court of judicature; [[Deut.25:1](#); [Prov. 17:15](#); [Isa. 5:22](#); [Matt. 12:37](#)] where justification stands opposed to condemnation. This is the sense of the word whenever it is used in the Doctrine under consideration; so in [Job 9:2-3](#); [Job 25:4](#); by David in [Psalms 143:2](#) and in Paul's epistles where the Doctrine of justification is treated of respect is had to courts of judicature and to a judicial process in them. Men are represented as sinners, charged with sin and pronounced guilty before God, so are subject to condemnation and death. When according to this Evangelic Doctrine they are justified by the obedience and blood of Christ, cleared of all charges, acquitted and absolved and so freed from condemnation and death and adjudged to eternal [endless] life: [Romans 3:9](#); [5:16-19](#); [8:1](#); [8:33-34](#); [Gal. 2:16-17](#) and [Titus 3:7](#).

John Gill