

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

May 30, 2021

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude

*Please silence all phones and electronic devices
as we prepare to worship our great God.*

Welcome and Announcements

Travis Brown, Pastor to Youth

The Song of Ascent

*God's people sang together as they gathered and
traveled together up to Jerusalem to worship God.*

Congregation

To the Ends of the Earth

You are holy and just so gracious to us How could we withhold Your praise
You are faithful and wise so majestic O Christ You are worthy to be proclaimed

To the ends of the earth You are Lord From the heavens all glory is Yours
We exalt You O Christ as we carry Your light To the ends of the earth O Lord

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ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship: Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns! Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity." Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.

— Psalm 98.10-13

Quieting of Hearts, Confession of Sin and Invocation

Declaring Our Faith:

Revelation 18.4-10; 6.15-17; 17.14

Leader: Then I heard another voice from heaven saying,

All: "Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues; for her sins are heaped high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities. Pay her back as she herself has paid back others, and repay her double for her deeds; mix a double portion for her in the cup she mixed.

Leader: As she glorified herself and lived in luxury, so give her a like measure of torment and mourning, since in her heart she says, 'I sit as a queen, I am no widow, and mourning I shall never see.' For this reason her plagues will come in a single day, death and mourning and famine, and she will be burned up with fire; for mighty is the Lord God who has judged her."

All: And the kings of the earth, who committed sexual immorality and lived in luxury with her, will weep and wail over her when they see the smoke of her burning. They will stand far off,

in fear of her torment, and say, "Alas! Alas! You great city, you mighty city, Babylon! For in a single hour your judgment has come."

Leader: Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

All: *The Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings...*

Hymn of Praise *Crown Him King of Kings/The Mighty God, the Lord*

Crown Him King of kings; Crown Him Lord of lords.
Wonderful, -- Counselor, -- the Mighty God; -
- Emmanuel, God is with us,
And He shall reign, He shall reign, He shall reign forevermore.

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The mighty God, the Lord, hath spoken unto all;
from rising to the setting sun, he unto earth doth call.
From Zion, his own hill, where perfect beauty dwells,
Jehovah hath his glory shown, in brightness that excels.

Our God shall surely come, and silence shall not keep;
before him fire shall waste, and storms tempestuous round him sweep.
He to the heav'ns above shall then send forth his call,
and likewise to the earth, that he may judge his people all.

"Together let my saints unto me gathered be,
those that by sacrifice have made a covenant with me."
Then shall the heav'ns declare his righteousness abroad;
because the Lord himself is judge, yea, none is judge, but God.

CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE

Mission Moment

Pastoral Prayer

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Gift of Music

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hymn of Testimony *And Can It Be That I Should Gain*

(Children ages three through third grade may be escorted to Children's Church)

And can it be, that I should gain An interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain For me, who Him to death pursued? Amazing love! how
can it be That Thou, my God, should'st die for me?

Refrain: *Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, should'st die for me?*

'Tis mystery all! The Immortal dies: Who can explore His strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries To sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore, Let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above, So free, so infinite His grace,
Humbled Himself so great His love, And bled for all his chosen race:
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; For, O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray, I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Reading of God's Word

Genesis 19.15-29

¹⁵ As morning dawned, the angels urged Lot, saying, "Up! Take your wife and your two daughters who are here, lest you be swept away in the punishment of the city." ¹⁶ But he lingered. So the men seized him and his wife and his two daughters by the hand, the Lord being merciful to him, and they brought him out and set him outside the city. ¹⁷ And as they brought them out, one said, "Escape for your life. Do not look back or stop anywhere in the valley. Escape to the hills, lest you be swept away." ¹⁸ And Lot said to them, "Oh, no, my lords. ¹⁹ Behold, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have shown me great kindness in saving my life. But I cannot escape to the hills, lest the disaster overtake me and I die. ²⁰ Behold, this city is near enough to flee to, and it is a little one. Let me escape there—is it not a little one?—and my life will be saved!" ²¹ He said to him, "Behold, I grant you this favor also, that I will not overthrow the city of which you have spoken. ²² Escape there quickly, for I can do nothing till you arrive there." Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar. ²³ The sun had risen on the earth when Lot came to Zoar. ²⁴ Then the Lord rained on Sodom and Gomorrah sulfur and fire from the Lord out of heaven. ²⁵ And he overthrew those cities, and all the valley, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground. ²⁶ But Lot's wife, behind him, looked back, and she became a pillar of salt. ²⁷ And Abraham went early in the morning to the place where he had stood before the Lord. ²⁸ And he looked down toward

Sodom and Gomorrah and toward all the land of the valley, and he looked and, behold, the smoke of the land went up like the smoke of a furnace. ²⁹ So it was that, when God destroyed the cities of the valley, God remembered Abraham and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow when he overthrew the cities in which Lot had lived.

All: The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon *“Our View... From the Mountain”* Pastor John
Series- *Abraham & Sarah: Walking By Faith*—Genesis 12-25

OUR RESPONSE

Prayer of Application

Hymn of Response *Sovereign Grace O'er Sin Abounding*

Sovereign grace o'er sin abounding! Ransomed souls, the tidings swell;
Tis a deep that knows no sounding; Who its breadth or length can tell?
On its glories, on its glories Let my soul forever dwell.
On such love, my soul, still ponder, Love so great, so rich, so free.

Heirs of God, joint-heirs with Jesus, Long ere time its race begun;
To His name eternal praises; O what wonders love has done!
One with Jesus, one with Jesus By eternal union one.
Say, while lost in holy wonder, Why, O Lord, such love to me?

What from Christ that soul can sever, Bound by everlasting bands?
Once in Him, in Him for-ever; Thus the eternal covenant stands.
None shall take thee, None shall take thee From the Strength of Israel's hands.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Grace shall reign eternally.

The Benediction and Threefold Amen



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CMPC Sermon Notes for May 30, 2021

Pastor John Batusic

Message: *Our View... From the Mountain*

Text: Genesis 19.15-29

The Reality of Judgment, II Peter 2.6

- Not a popular subject
- God's view, II Peter 3.9
- God is a holy God
- Vision for ministry
- There is a hell, Revelation 9.2

The Suddenness of Judgment

- Grabbing the hands, 19.15
- Arrival at Zoar, 19.23
- Business as usual, Luke 17.28
- The end, 19.24
- The timing, 19.27
- Our friends/our urgency

The Future Judgment

- A sobering statement, Luke 10.12
 - Acts 17.31
 - II Corinthians 5.10
 - Revelation 20.11-15
- Not trying to frighten people into the kingdom,
- It is the reality of future judgment that give moral significance to life—that makes it count for something.
- Isaiah 53.5-6
- Isaiah 33.22: Judge, Lawgiver, King
- What did Abraham expect to see?

So What About Us?

- Prepared heart: Are you ready?
- Guarded heart
- Abraham's response... and ours