

Shreveport Grace Church

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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 83](#) (Robert)

Call to Worship: 'Jesus the LORD My Savior Is'

Scripture Reading: [Isaiah 1](#) (Bob)

Hymn # 229- 'Tell Me the Old, Old Story'

Scripture Reading: [Romans 1:16-23](#) (David)

Message: 'Good News, Bad News'

Hymn # 44- 'And Can It Be That I Should Gain?'

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')

Jesus, the LORD, my Savior is.
My Shepherd and my God.
My Light, my Strength, my Joy, my Bliss,
And I His Grace record.

Whate'er I need in Jesus dwells,
And there it dwells for me.
'Tis Christ my earthen vessel fills,
With Treasures rich and free.

Mercy and Truth and Righteousness
And Peace, most richly meet.
In Jesus Christ, the King of Grace,
In Whom I stand complete.

As through the wilderness I roam,
His Mercies I'll proclaim.
And when I safely reach my Home,
I'll still adore His name.

'Worthy the Lamb,' shall be my song,
For He for me was slain.
And with me all the Heavenly throng,
Shall join and say, 'Amen.'

Christ Coming to His People

“Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me.”

[\(Psalm 40:7\)](#)

The LORD Jesus says to His people: **‘Lo I come.’** Graciously and joyfully in their need He comes for them and to them. There are 4 ways described in the Bible that Christ comes to and for His own.

1. **His coming in the flesh:** What a joyful and delightful errand this is to be the sacrifice of Divine Justice for all His people. This is the Foundation Head of joy for all His redeemed. The same joy He had in coming in the flesh to redeem them, they share in return because of Him coming in the flesh on their behalf.

2. **His coming in His Word:** Through His Word, He calls out a people for Himself. His Word draws them to Him in saving Grace.

3. **His coming in the Spirit:** We cannot have a wonderful view of His coming in the flesh or the hope of His coming again unless we have Him coming to our heart to draw us, making us willing in the day of His power to see God’s full satisfaction in the travail of His soul for us, [Isaiah 53:11](#).

4. **His coming in clouds of glory, Mark 13:26:** What a joyful coming for His people, to take them to Himself: **“Even so, come, LORD Jesus.”** [\(Revelation 22:20\)](#)

Brother Ed Hale (1917-1988)

The Lamp of the Body

*“The lamp of the body is the eye. If therefore your eye is good,
your whole body will be full of light.*

But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness.

If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness!”

[\(Matthew 6:22-23\)](#)

There are two things necessary to properly see. First, there must be eyes that see. Second, there must be light to see.

Here, our LORD Jesus compares seeing to a lamp that shines light into the body through the eye. However, if someone is blind, it doesn't matter how much light you shine into the eye, without sight to see the light, you live in darkness, as do any who are physically blind. They may have a perception as to how things are but because they cannot see, their perception is flawed, [Acts 17:27](#).

Some may have some sight (natural knowledge) but their eyesight is bad. Their bad eyesight is often just as bad as someone who is blind. Someone has said, "Seeing falsely is worse than blindness. A man who is too dim-sighted to discern the road from the ditch, may feel which is which but if the ditch appears manifestly to him to be the road and the road to be the ditch, what shall become of him?" That is why our LORD declared, ***'If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness?'***

Someone whose eye is good and the whole body is therefore full of Light is a description of a sinner who although born blind, in time has had their eyes opened (the work of the Spirit) and the Light (the revelation of Christ) has shown into the entire body (mind, heart and soul). This is the special work of God's Grace, opening the heart and minds of His elect that He has chosen to salvation and for whom the LORD Jesus came and paid their sin debt, [1 Corinthians 2:9-12](#). In time He does cause them to see and rejoice, their eye singularly and exclusively set on Christ and looking to Him alone as the Author and Finisher of THE FAITH, [Hebrews 12:2](#).

The only alternative is a body full of darkness. No matter how much an unregenerate may think they see, yet without the eye being opened by the Spirit of God, how great is that darkness? They may have a natural perception of God, sin, judgment, salvation and even a notion of the LORD Jesus according to their imagination but they need the True Light of the knowledge of the LORD Jesus that only HE can give: ***"For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."*** [\(2 Corinthians 4:6\)](#) A God-given sight sees the LORD Jesus Christ as all their Wisdom, Righteousness, Sanctification and Redemption, [1 Corinthians 1:30](#). That's the Grace of God.

Ken Wimer

Fear Not

Take no thought, saying, *What shall we eat? or What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.* [Matt. 6:31-32](#)

O fear the LORD, ye his Saints: for there is no want to them that fear him. The young lions do lack and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing. [Psalm 34:9-10](#)

*No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.
O LORD of hosts blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.* [Psalm 84:11-12](#)

I would have you without carefulness. [1 Cor. 7:32](#)

Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. [Phil. 4:6](#)

Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. The very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows. [Matt. 10:29-31](#)

Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith? [Mark 4:40](#)

Have faith in God. [Mark 11:22](#)

Daily Light on the Daily Path

The Effectual Blood Shed of the LORD Jesus

*“For this is my blood of the new testament,
which is shed for many for the remission of sins.”*

[\(Matthew 26:28\)](#)

The shedding of the blood of Christ is never said to be conditional for all. The truth is that the shedding of the blood of Christ really effected redemption because it remitted sins and assuredly obtained the forgiveness of sinners, when He died, when His blood was shed. When the price was paid, the purchase was obtained. If the blood shed had the value required then the purchase must have been effective upon payment. Otherwise, the blood shed would have not been equal to what was purchased. But it was equal to what was to be purchased, so then the purchase can never be said to be conditional upon some other transaction. As if additional currency could be required from the object being purchased. The price actually acquired the possession when the payment was made.

The blood of Jesus Christ was shed for many for the remission of sins. When Christ died, in dying, He brought many sons to glory. We, that is, those chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world, predestinated to the adoption of children by Christ Jesus to Himself, made by Him to be accepted in the Beloved, having been redeemed through His blood, we have it through His blood, when that blood was shed.

John Metcalfe - 1987