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OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY

Live Streaming (Audio and Video)

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: Psalm 74 (Bob)
Call to Worship: 'Our Savior to Praise'
Scripture Reading: John 5 (Robert)

Hymn # 224- 'I Know Whom I Have Believed' **Scripture Reading:** <u>John 20:11-18</u> (*David*)

Message: 'Seeing and Believing'

Hvmn # 226- 'Mv Savior'

Live Streaming (Audio and Video)

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

Call To Worship

(Tune # 1- 'O Worship the King')

h what shall we do our Saviour to praise, So faithful and true, abounding in grace. So strong to deliver, so good to redeem, The weakest believers who rest upon Him.

How happy the man whose heart is set free, The people who can be joyful in Thee. Their joy is to walk in the Light of His face, And sweetly to rest in His comfort and grace.

Their daily delight shall be in His name,
They shall by Grace His righteousness claim.
This righteousness wearing and cleansed by His blood,
Bold shall they appear in the presence of God.

Our Saviour alone, the LORD, let us bless, Who reigns on His throne, the Prince of all peace. Who evermore saved us by shedding His blood, All hail, blessed Saviour, Our LORD, and our God.

Righteousness without Works

"Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works." (Romans 4:6)

his righteousness, which is here said to be without works is the obedience of Jesus Christ which is the justifying righteousness of a sinner and is so complete in itself that nothing can be added to it to make it more so. All the works of the creature since the fall are imperfect and therefore utterly unfit to be its justifying righteousness before God, either in whole or in part. It is impossible that imperfect obedience can make the person that performs it perfectly righteous and such is the infinite purity of God's nature and the strictness of His justice that He can accept nothing for righteousness that is not perfectly conformed to the rule of it in His holy law. Therefore, our obedience cannot be the whole of our righteousness before God nor can it be any part of it because that which is wholly imperfect can be no part of perfection.

Joseph Hart, 1712-1768

Justified by God

"Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect?

It is God that justifieth." (Romans 8:33)

elievers know and understand that by Christ they are justified from ALL things, from which they could not be justified by the law, Acts 13:39.

Justification is that act whereby God declares His elect righteous by the perfect obedience of the LORD Jesus Christ as their Representative: "For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous." (Romans 5:19)

The LORD Jesus Christ coming in the flesh as God, earned and established perfect righteousness by His obedient life and satisfied God the Father's law and justice by His perfect obedience unto death, Philippians 2:8. Thereby, by the LORD Jesus perfect obedience unto death the Father has once, for all and forever, justified (declared righteous) every child of God that the Father gave Him. Their sins are not only put away but the very righteousness of God was imputed to their spiritual account when Christ had shed His blood unto death.

Stop and consider further how, in ALL things, the child of God in Christ is justified before God. No one can even bring an accusation against any of His redeemed and justified children. The answer to any charges of conscience, Satan or the world is: "Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect?" To lay a charge against literally means: 'to call in or summon into judgment'. None can call in the believer before God with any charge against him, without the LORD Jesus Christ taking his defense. Believers are 'blameless' before Him [1 Corinthians 1:8] or 'above reproach' [Colossians 1:22]. They are declared righteous, not in their persons but in their Representative Head Who is their righteousness before the Father.

The child of God's hope and assurance is that this standing is not affected by what he or she does or doesn't do. God's attitude toward them is not based upon any goodness or weakness in them. Because of the LORD Jesus Christ: The Mediator and High Priest, the believer has a permanent standing in the love, grace and mercy of the Father. At no time will any believer ever be called into God's court of justice to defend his position because that position is always one of blamelessness because of the LORD Jesus. It is because of this that all who are in Christ will be found blameless before Him at His coming, *1 Corinthians 1:8*. The believer in Christ, according to God's Word, enjoys this 3-fold blessing: **NO CONDEMNATION** [Romans 8:31]; **NO SEPARATION** [Romans 8:38-39]; **NO ACCUSATION** [Romans 8:33].

Ken Wimer

The Wisdom of God

he only wise God our Saviour. <u>Jude 25</u>

Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption. <u>1 Cor. 1:30</u>

Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection? It is as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know? <u>Job 11:7-8</u>

We speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory. 1 Cor. 2:7

The mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

to the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known, by the church, the manifold wisdom of God. Eph 3:9-10

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shalt be given him. <u>James 1:5</u>

The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be in-treated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. <u>James 3:17</u>

Daily Light on the Daily Path

Never Too Much

am well satisfied it will not be a burden to me at the hour of death nor be laid to my charge at the day of judgment, that I have thought too highly of the LORD Jesus Christ, expected too much from Him myself or labored too much in commending and setting Him for to others as the Alpha and Omega, the LORD Our Righteousness, the Ransom for sin, the Only Mediator between God and men, the True God and Endless Life.

On the contrary, alas! My guilt and grief are that my thoughts of Him are so faint, so infrequent and my commendations of Him so lamentably cold and disproportionate to what they ought to be.

John Newton

No Partial Righteousness is Accepted

e who comes to God as partly righteous is sent away empty. He who comes acknowledging unrighteousness but at the same time tries to neutralize it or to expiate it through feelings, prayers and tears is equally rejected. However, he who comes to God as an unrighteous person to a Righteous yet Gracious God IN CHRIST, finds not only ready access but plenteous blessings.