

This Sunday at CMPC...

This Sunday we continue in our study *Revelation: Strength for Today, Hope for Tomorrow* as Pastor John looks at Revelation 21.9-27 and *Oh, The Place You'll Go*. Then Sunday evening at 6:30 Pastor Dee will be looking at Genesis 37 and *The Dreamer in the Pit* in our *Summer in the SON* series *Joseph: When Dreams Come True*. Hot dogs will be the food this Sunday.

Our hymns will center on God's glory and our hope of heaven. We will gather with a portion of *Psalms 57 (Be Exalted, O God, Above the Heavens)*. For our hymn of praise we will sing a new 21st century hymn that is a favorite at CMPC, *Behold, Our God*. Our hymn of testimony will be one we learned a couple of weeks ago, *Almost Home*. Then we will respond to God's word with the classic *My Jesus, I Love Thee* which was written in 1864.

Thanks so much for praying for *Vacation Bible School* this week... and thank you to the many who served in so many ways, especially our directors, Beth Wald and Sarah Beth Gossage. What a great week!

CMPC Sermon Notes ♦ **Series:** *Revelation: Strength for Today, Hope for Tomorrow* ♦ **Text:** *Revelation 21.9-27* ♦ **Message:** *Oh, The Place You'll Go*

So Far...

- A broad picture: where does the city fit in history?
- Some observations
 - Holy: Glory of God and his holiness
 - Without sea/chaos
 - No tears, death, mourning, crying
 - The city reflects the glory of God because of what Christ has done.
 - II Corinthians 3.18: And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.
 - Point for us: God is transforming us to reflect the holiness of his glory in our salvation.
 - God places emphasis on our personal holiness
 - We are to pursue holiness NOW
 - A bride and a city: symbolism
 - People: who are reflecting the glory of god
 - Even now: seated in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus, Ephesians 1
 - Our treasure/inheritance is safely in heaven

Grand Tour: An angel shows the new Jerusalem.

- Size
 - Immense: 1400 miles per side: the immense size symbolizes the immensity of God's purposes
 - A huge city: would stretch from Portland, Maine, in the north, to Jacksonville, Florida, to past San Antonio to the northern border of the United States. This also covers the first century Hellenistic/Mediterranean/Roman world
 - Upward: into the atmosphere- knocking down satellites
- Cube:
 - Like the holy of holies
 - Same measurements: heaven and earth coming together
- The idea of walls gives structure
- Gates: angels, like cherubim at the garden of Eden, provide security
- The number 12; tribes/apostles

- Represent pre-cross and post-cross believers
- Apostles are the source of truth
- Architecturally perfect
 - Measured: like in Ezekiel
 - Jasper, gold, precious stones: overwhelming riches
- Sheer beauty
 - Connect with Aaron, with Tyre description, with the coming Jerusalem Isaiah describes
- Gates: 12 pearls
- Transparent glass like gold

Surprises in the City

- No temple: God is the temple, and the Lamb
- Jesus anticipated this: *Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."* John 2.19
- No sun or moon needed, Isaiah 60.19-20
 - The glory of God/Jesus the light
 - The presence of God
 - Ezekiel's city: 48.35: the name of the city ... the Lord is there.
 - The glory of God a sufficient light
 - The nations will walk in its light
- Kings of the earth will bring their glory- the fruit of their culture
 - Never shut (secure)
- Lamb's book of life

So What About Us?

- Reflection: on what Christ has done
- Anticipation: our glorious future
- Oh, the place you'll go...
- Will you?

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

JUNE 11, 2023

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude

*As we quiet our hearts for worship, please
silence all phones and electronic devices.*

Welcome and Announcements

Dee Hammond,
Pastor of Missions & Outreach

The Song of Ascent

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

Congregation

Psalm 57.9-11 (Be Exalted, O God)

I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, among the people.

I will sing praises to Thee among the nations.

For Thy steadfast love is great, is great to the heavens;

And Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness to the clouds.

Be exalted, O God,-- above the heav-ens;

Let Thy glory be over all the earth.

Be exalted, O God,-- above the heav-ens;

Let Thy glory be over all the earth.

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ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship: "For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain. From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD. -Isaiah 66.22-23

Invocation

Declaration of Truth:

Isaiah 60.19-20

The sun shall be no more your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give you light; but the LORD will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory. Your sun shall no more go down, nor your moon withdraw itself; for the LORD will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended.

Hymn of Praise

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands?

Who has numbered every grain of sand?

Kings and nations tremble at His voice

All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus:

Behold our God seated on His throne

Come, let us adore Him

Behold our King—nothing can compare

Come, let us adore Him

Who has given counsel to the Lord?

Who can question any of His words?

Who can teach the One who knows all things?

Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?

Bearing all the guilt of sinful man

God eternal, humbled to the grave

Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign

(Men) You will reign forever

(Women) Let Your glory fill the earth

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CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE

Mission Moment

Pastoral Prayer

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

The Gift of Music

Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King Choir & Orchestra

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Please pass and sign the registration pad in the hymnal rack.

The Doxology and Prayer

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

Almost Home

Don't drop a single anchor, we're almost home

Through every toil and danger, we're almost home

How many pilgrim saints have before us gone?

No stopping now, we're almost home

That promised land is calling, we're almost home

And not a tear shall fall then, we're almost home

Make ready now your souls for that kingdom come

No turning back we're almost home

Almost home, we're almost home

So press on toward that blessed shore

Oh, praise the Lord, we're almost home

This journey ours together, we're almost home

Unto that great forever we're almost home

What song anew we'll sing around that happy throne?

Come faint of heart we're almost home

Almost home, we're almost home

So press on toward that blessed shore

Oh, praise the Lord, we're almost home

This life is just a vapor we're almost home

That sun is setting yonder we're almost home

Take courage for this darkness shall break to dawn

Oh, lift your eyes we're almost home

Almost home, we're almost home

So press on toward, that blessed shore

Oh, praise the Lord we're almost home

Almost home we're almost home

So press on toward that blessed shore

Oh, praise the Lord, we're almost home

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Reading of God's Word

Revelation 21.9-27

Pew Bible, p. 1041

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

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

Oh, The Place You'll Go!

Pastor John

Series: *Strength for Today, Hope for Tomorrow: The Book of Revelation*

OUR RESPONSE

Prayer of Application

Hymn of Response

My Jesus, I Love Thee

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My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine;

For thee all the follies of sin I resign

My gracious Redeemer, my Saviour art thou;

If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love thee because thou hast first loved me,

And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.

I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow;

If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love thee in life, I will love thee in death;

And praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath;

And say, when the death-dew lies cold on my brow:

If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,

I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;

I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:

If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

The Benediction and Threefold Amen

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30PM

Tonight we continue *Summer in the SON*, CMPC's 20/20/20 summer format: 20 minutes of singing, 20 minutes of study, 20 minutes of food'n'fellowship. This summer's study will be *Joseph's Story: When Dreams Come True*. Tonight Pastor Dee will be looking at Genesis 37 and *The Dreamer in the Pit*. Children, pick up a coloring sheet in the narthex.

Tonight's menu: Hot dogs!

Serving Christ at CMPC June 11

Lock-up	Will McVey and Jeff Knight
8:30am	
Ushers	Norb Fichter, Dan Freeman, Tom Gaston, Ron Marler, Randy Green, Bob Burdette
Greeters	Arlene Freeman
Infants/Toddlers	Kim Burdette
Children's Church	Andy Jobson
Junior Assistants	William Jobson
11am	
Ushers	Steve Wentz, Kerry Cook, Jerry Lewis, Kurt Puterbaugh, Caleb Burkhardt, James Hinds
Greeters	<i>Sign up at cmpca.org/greeters</i>
Infants/Toddlers	Sarah and Harper Cox
Children's Church	Nancy Cunningham
Junior Assistants	Abigail and Audrey Cunningham
6:30pm	
Nursery	
Today	This Week at CMPC
8:30am, 11am	Worship Services
10am	Sunday School
6:30pm	Summer in the Son
Wednesday	Wednesday Night Alive
5:30	Meal
6:30	Orchestra Choir WNA Classes Nursery Youth Group



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