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THE LORD'S DAY

NOVEMBER 22, 2020

**\*PSALM OF GRATEFUL PRAISE.....OH GIVE THANKS  
(PSALM 107)**

WORDS & MUSIC: WENDELL KIMBROUGH

We were wand'r'ing in the desert  
with our souls so starved and weak.

We were hungry for a homeland  
we did not know how to seek.

But we lifted up our voices to the only One who hears;  
And the God of mercy came and brought us near.

We were locked out of the garden,  
and our backs bent down with pain.  
In the shadow of death's darkness,  
we were slaves to sin and blame.

Then we cried out in our labor to the only One who hears,  
And the God of mercy wiped away our tears.

*Oh give thanks to the LORD for His love endures forever!  
We were wandering and lost,  
and our Father brought us home,  
To a safe dwelling place, to a feast of joy and laughter.  
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!*

We were fools in our rebellion,  
with our hunger strike of pride.  
We were sick and growing closer  
to the death we should have died.  
Then he heard of our condition,  
and he called us by our names;  
And the God of glory took away our shame.

We were far out on the ocean,  
making wealth and chasing dreams,  
But the waves of great destruction  
brought us tremb'ling to our knees.  
Then we cried like drunken sailors  
to the only One who hears,  
And the God of comfort took away our fears.

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP .....FROM REVELATION 1, 5, & 15**

I looked, and I heard around the throne...the voice of many angels numbering thousands upon thousands, saying with a loud voice,

**“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing.”**

Righteous and true are Your ways, King of the ages.

**Who will not fear You, O LORD, and bring glory to Your name? For You alone are holy.**

All nations will come and worship before You, for Your righteous acts have been revealed.

(ALL) To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever.

### \***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;  
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### \***INVOCATION**

## **\*HYMN OF PRAISE .....**COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

Come, Thou Almighty King, Help us Thy Name to sing,  
    Help us to praise: Father! all-glorious,  
O'er all victorious, Come, and reign over us,  
    Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword,  
Our prayer attend! Come, and Thy people bless,  
And give Thy Word success: Spirit of holiness,  
    On us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear  
    In this glad hour! Thou, who almighty art,  
Now rule in ev'ry heart And ne'er from us depart,  
    Spirit of pow'r.

To Thee, great One in Three, Eternal praises be,  
Hence evermore; Thy sov'reign majesty  
May we in glory see, And to eternity  
    Love and adore.

## **SCRIPTURE READING.....**1 SAMUEL 16

## **HYMN OF CONFESSION.....LADEN WITH GUILT**

WORDS: ISAAC WATTS    MUSIC: SANDRA McCACKEN

Laden with guilt, and full of fears,  
I fly to thee, my Lord,  
And not a glimpse of hope appears  
but in thy written word.  
The volumes of my Father's grace  
does all my griefs assuage;  
Here I behold my Savior's face in every page.

This is the field where hidden lies  
the pearl of price unknown;  
That merchant is divinely wise  
who makes the pearl his own.  
Here consecrated water flows  
to quench my thirst of sin;  
Here the fair tree of knowledge grows,  
no danger dwells within.

This is the Judge that ends the strife  
where wit and reason fail,  
My guide to everlasting life  
through all this gloomy vale.  
O may thy counsels, mighty God,  
my roving feet command;  
Nor I forsake the happy road  
that leads to thy right hand.

## **CORPORATE CONFESSSION OF SIN**

**Father in heaven, we need to be forgiven.**

**We have tried to heal ourselves.**

**Instead of trusting in the death of Jesus Christ,  
we have tried to work off our guilt.**

**We have tried so hard to pile up good deeds that  
outweigh our sins.**

**When this doesn't work, we quickly turn to denial  
and distraction.**

**Instead of trusting in the resurrection of Jesus  
Christ,**

**we have tried to change through our own efforts.**

**We have tried to change our hearts through sheer  
willpower.**

**This has left some of us arrogant.**

**This has left most of us anxious and depressed.**

**Forgive us for trying to heal ourselves.**

**Forgive us for neglecting your grace.**

**Forgive us and heal us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

## **\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON .....ROMANS 5:1-2**

“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”

## **\*HYMN OF ASSURANCE.....I HEAR THE WORDS OF LOVE**

WORDS: HORATIUS BONAR

MUSIC: HENRY GAUNTLETT

I hear the words of love, I gaze upon the blood,  
I see the mighty sacrifice, And I have peace with God.

'Tis everlasting peace! Sure as Jehovah's name;  
'Tis stable as His steadfast throne, Forevermore the same.

The clouds may come and go  
And storms may sweep my sky;  
This blood-sealed friendship changes not;  
The cross is ever nigh.

My love is oft-times low, My joy still ebbs and flows;  
But peace with Him remains the same;  
No change Jehovah knows.

I change, He changes not, The Christ can never die;  
His love, not mine, the resting place,  
His truth, not mine, the tie.

## **SHEPHERDING PRAYER.....PASTOR JOHN MARK**

# SERMON .....ISAIAH 52:1-12

1 Awake, awake,  
put on your strength, O Zion;  
put on your beautiful garments,  
O Jerusalem, the holy city;  
for there shall no more come into you  
the uncircumcised and the unclean.

2 Shake yourself from the dust and arise;  
be seated, O Jerusalem;  
loose the bonds from your neck,  
O captive daughter of Zion.

3 For thus says the LORD: “You were sold for nothing, and you shall be redeemed without money.” 4 For thus says the Lord GOD: “My people went down at the first into Egypt to sojourn there, and the Assyrian oppressed them for nothing. 5 Now therefore what have I here,” declares the LORD, “seeing that my people are taken away for nothing? Their rulers wail,” declares the LORD, “and continually all the day my name is despised. 6 Therefore my people shall know my name. Therefore in that day they shall know that it is I who speak; here I am.”

7 How beautiful upon the mountains  
are the feet of him who brings good news,  
who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness,  
who publishes salvation,  
who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.”

8 The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice;  
together they sing for joy;  
for eye to eye they see  
the return of the LORD to Zion.

<sup>9</sup> Break forth together into singing,  
you waste places of Jerusalem,  
for the LORD has comforted his people;  
he has redeemed Jerusalem.

<sup>10</sup> The LORD has bared his holy arm  
before the eyes of all the nations,  
and all the ends of the earth shall see  
the salvation of our God.

<sup>11</sup> Depart, depart, go out from there;  
touch no unclean thing;  
go out from the midst of her; purify yourselves,  
you who bear the vessels of the LORD.

<sup>12</sup> For you shall not go out in haste,  
and you shall not go in flight,  
for the LORD will go before you,  
and the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

# SERMON NOTES

## **SPIRITUAL SMELLING SALTS**

### **ISAIAH 52:1-12**

**ROUSED TO A GREAT REVERSAL**

**REDEMPTION AND REVELATION**

**THE REIGNING RESCUER**

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE RESCUED**

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE .....**COME, THOU LONG  
EXPECTED JESUS

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus,  
born to set Thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us;  
let us find our rest in Thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
hope of all the earth Thou art;  
dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see thee,  
Dayspring from on high, appear;  
come, thou promised Rod of Jesse,  
of thy birth we long to hear!

O'er the hills the angels singing news, glad tidings of a birth;  
“Go to him, your praises bringing;  
Christ the Lord has come to earth.”

Come to earth to taste our sadness,  
he whose glories knew no end;  
by his life he brings us gladness,  
our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.

Leaving riches without number, born within a cattle stall;  
this the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born Thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a King,  
born to reign in us forever,  
now Thy gracious kingdom bring.

By Thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;  
by Thine own sufficient merit,  
raise us to Thy glorious throne.

## \***BENEDICTION**

### **REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK**

**Ministry Partners:** Mike & Caroline Miller - serving with a church planting team in Athens, Greece

**Our Troops:** pray for our troops and their chaplains around the world

**Church of the week:** First Scots Presbyterian, Beaufort; Alex Mark, pastor

### **TRINITY FAMILY**

**Dave Tussey:** recovering from heart bypass surgery

**Herb Tait:** relief from eye pressure issues

**Jerry Smith:** pray for his blood pressure to be regulated, for continued memory recovery and improved physical abilities.

**Frank Myers:** recovery from back surgery

**Linda Wactor:** wisdom for doctors in managing her pain

**Claudia Wilkes:** recovering from ankle surgery

**Lawton Porter:** recovery from broken leg, ongoing therapy after brain aneurysm

**Linda Wells:** neuropathy, improved stamina

**Christie Churchwell:** relief from headaches

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