

KINGDOM COME THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE

ROCKY MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MARCH 29, 2020

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Glorifying God by making disciples who love Christ, his Church, and all people.

CALL TO WORSHIP

All: Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness? The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

Based on Exodus 15:2

* Come Thou Fount

Lyrics by Robert Robertson, 1758 Music by Asahel Nettleton, 1825

1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging Love.

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by thy help I'm come. And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood; 3. O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy grace now, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

REFRAIN

Sing praises to the Lamb, Who for my peace was slain. Sing praises to the great I Am, The Name above all names; Jesus, Name above all names.

* Come Praise and Glorify Our God

Music by Bob Kauflin, words by Tim Chester. © 2011 Sovereign Grace Praise.

 Come praise and glorify our God, The Father of our Lord.
 In Christ He has in heav'nly realms
 His blessings on us poured.
 For pure and blameless in His sight
 He destined us to be,
 And now we've been adopted through
 His Son eternally.

CHORUS

To the praise of Your glory; To the praise of Your mercy and grace. To the praise of Your glory; You are the God who saves!

 Come praise and glorify our God, Who gives His grace in Christ.
 In Him our sins are washed away; Redeemed through sacrifice.
 In Him God has made known to us The myst'ry of His will, That Christ should be the head of all His purpose to fulfill.

CHORUS

3. Come praise and glorify our God, For we've believed the Word.
And through our faith we have a seal: The Spirit of the Lord.
The Spirit guarantees our hope Until redemption's done; Until we join in endless praise To God, the Three in One.

CHORUS

* Confession of Sin
All: Heavenly Father, you are not a God who delights in wickedness, and no sin may be in your presence.
But we delight in our sin and desire what you hate.
Cleanse us of our sin, so that we can experience fellowship with you and live in your presence forever.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

Worship Leader: Lift up your heads, you who have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, and hear these words of grace.

Words of Grace

God will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Corinthians 1:8-9

* On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

Lyrics by Samuel Stennett. Music by Christopher Miner.

1. On Jordans stormy banks I stand, And cast a wishful eye To Canaan's fair and happy land, Where my possessions lie.

2. All o'er those wide extended plains, Shines one eternal day; There God the Son forever reigns, And scatters night away.

CHORUS

I am bound (I am bound), I am bound (I am bound), I am bound for promised land. I am bound (I am bound), I am bound (I am bound), I am bound for promised land.

3. No chilling winds nor poisonous breath Can reach that healthful shore; Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, Are felt and feared no more.

CHORUS

4. When shall I reach that happy place, And be forever blessed? When shall I see my Father's face, And in His bosom rest?

CHORUS

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When the Kingdom Comes Luke 17:20-37 Kingdom Come: The Gospel According to Luke

²⁰ Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them, "The kingdom of God is not coming in ways that can be observed, ²¹ nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There!' for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you."

²² And he said to the disciples, "The days are coming when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it. ²³ And they will say to you, 'Look, there!' or 'Look, here!' Do not go out or follow them. ²⁴ For as the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other, so will the Son of Man be in his day. ²⁵ But first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation. ²⁶ Just as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of Man. ²⁷ They were eating and drinking and marrying and being given in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all. ²⁸ Likewise, just as it was in the days of Lot—they were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building, ²⁹ but on the day when Lot went out from Sodom, fire and sulfur rained from heaven and destroyed them all - ³⁰ so will it be on the day when the Son of Man is revealed. ³¹ On that day, let the one who is on the housetop, with his goods in the house, not come down to take them away, and likewise let the one who is in the field not turn back. ³² Remember Lot's wife. ³³ Whoever seeks to preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life will keep it. ³⁴ I tell you, in that night there will be two in one bed. One will be taken and the other left. ³⁵ There will be two women grinding together. One will be taken and the other left." ³⁷ And they said to him, "Where, Lord?" He said to them, "Where the corpse is, there the vultures will gather."

Sermon Outline

Jesus gives three reasons we must be prepared for the kingdom to come:

I. The Kingdom Is Already Here

II. The Kingdom Will Come Suddenly

III. The Kingdom Will Bring Judgment and Salvation

* Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Lyrics by Henry Lyte. Music by Bill Moore.

1. Jesus, I my cross have taken, All to leave and follow Thee. Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shall be. Perish every fond ambition, All I've sought or hoped or known. Yet how rich is my condition! God and heaven are still my own.

2. Man may trouble and distress me, Twill but drive me to Thy breast. Life with trials hard may press me; Heaven will bring me sweeter rest. Oh, tis not in grief to harm me While Thy love is left to me; Oh, twere not in joy to charm me, Were that joy unmixed with Thee.

3. Go, then, earthly fame and treasure,
Come disaster, scorn and pain;
In Thy service, pain is pleasure,
With Thy favor, loss is gain.
I have called Thee Abba Father,
I have stayed my heart on Thee;
Storms may howl, and clouds may gather,
All must work for good to me.

4. Haste thee on from grace to glory, Armed by faith, and winged by prayer. Heavens eternal days before thee, Gods own hand shall guide us there. Soon shall close thy earthly mission, Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days, Hope shall change to glad fruition, Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

Pastoral Prayer

* How Long, O Lord?

Music and lyrics by Doug Plank © 2017 Sovereign Grace Worship.

Every valley will be lifted high,
 And the weak will be the strong,
 When You come like lightning in the sky;
 How long, O Lord, how long?

2. Kings on earth will scatter when they hear Thundering sounds of angel songs; Hearts will tremble, filled with holy fear; How long, O Lord, how long?

CHORUS

All our hopes are fixed on You; That Your promises are true, And one day You will return. All our treasures here will fade, So we long to see Your face. Until then our hearts will burn; How long, O Lord?

3. You will conquer every evil thing; Every sorrow, pain, and wrong. They will cease with Your return, our King; How long, O Lord, how long?

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CHORUS

* Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FINANCIAL UPDATE

From December 2019 through February 2020

Budget:\$83,838Giving:\$82,787Difference:- \$1,051

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

(Adults) And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. **Deuteronomy 6:6-7**

(Children) And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children...

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

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