

OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION JANUARY 2, 2022

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

***Call to Worship - Psalm 86:1-11**

~God's invitation for us to engage in worship in the Holy Spirit

***Weekly Congregational Response**

~Our humble response to God's call to worship

***Prayer of Invocation**

~The giving of thanks for God's promised presence and work among us

***Song of Preparation and Praise - Psalm 86**

~Our celebration of God as our good and faithful Abba Father

***Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - Romans 6:20-23**

~Our admission of our failures and need for Christ as Savior

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

***Songs of Comfort - I Am Set Free**

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

Pastoral Prayer - CCC Church Plant and Mercy Hill Church, Marietta

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - The Role of Baptism in Sanctification, Part 1 Romans 6:1-4

Preparation of the Table Partaking of the Table

~Practiced on a regular basis to make the Word visible.

***Doxology**

***Song of Response - It Is Finished**

~Our commitment to apply God's Word in and through our lives

***Announcements**

~Weekly opportunities to live out the Word read, confessed, prayed, sung, and preached

***Benediction - Romans 8:1-4**

~God's parting blessing as we are sent out on His redemptive mission

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

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“THE ROLE OF BAPTISM IN SANCTIFICATION, PART 1” ROMANS 6:1-4 CAMERON BARHAM

Key Truth: As signified and sealed in our baptism, our justification in Christ frees us to walk in newness of life according to God's grace.

Introduction:

Q: *What do you think of those who make religious excuses for their bad behavior?*

Romans 6:1-4: Baptism: A Reminder of Justification and Means of Grace in Sanctification

WLC Q. 167. *How is baptism to be improved by us?*

A. The needful but much neglected duty of improving our baptism, is to be performed by us all our life long, especially in the time of temptation, and when we are present at the administration of it to others; by serious and thankful consideration of the nature of it, and of the ends for which Christ instituted it, the privileges and benefits conferred and sealed thereby, and our solemn vow made therein; by being humbled for our sinful defilement, our falling short of, and walking contrary to, the grace of baptism, and our engagements; by growing up to assurance of pardon of sin, and of all other blessings sealed to us in that sacrament; by drawing strength from the death and resurrection of Christ, into whom we are baptized, for the mortifying of sin, and quickening of grace; and by endeavoring to live by faith, to have our conversation in holiness and righteousness, as those that have therein given up their names to Christ; and to walk in brotherly love, as being baptized by the same Spirit into one body.

Q: *What ongoing role does your baptism play in your Christian life? How are you improving upon your baptism by considering and applying the person and work of Christ?*

Application:

Romans 6:1-4 teaches us that:

-as signified and sealed in our baptism, our justification in Christ frees us to walk in newness of life according to God's grace

Communion

Benediction: *Romans 8:1-4*