

OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION OCTOBER 24, 2021

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

***Call to Worship - Psalm 18:1-6**

~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 - *Abide with Me

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

***Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - Romans 5:18-21**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

Songs of Comfort - *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing Upon a Life I Did Not Live

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

Pastoral Prayer - Children's and Youth Ministries, CCC and Tom Myers, First Presbyterian Church, Villa Rica

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - Our Abundant Inheritance Romans 5:12-14

Song of Response - *Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

~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 5:1-5**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

**Stand*

“OUR ABUNDANT INHERITANCE” ROMANS 5:12-14 CHRIS BLACKMAN

Key Truth: Only the grace of God in Christ alone can save us from our sin inherited from Adam.

Introduction:

Q: *What ways do you find yourself reflecting your parents' flaws?*

I. Our abundance of sin inherited from Adam

“If we object to God's condemning us in Adam, we should equally object to his justifying us in Christ. In Romans 5:12-19 and 1 Corinthians 15:21-22, these two relationships are parallel. We should, then, reject Christ's sacrifice and accept the task of trying to save ourselves as individuals. But that task is doomed from the start. Scripture gives us no hope that we can save ourselves. We cannot atone for our past sins, nor can we force ourselves to stop sinning, apart from divine grace.”

John Frame, *Systematic Theology*

Q: *Where are you living in the deadly sinful lineage of Adam as opposed to the newness of life in Christ?*

II. Our abundance of grace in Christ

“Having before referred to the state of things before the “law” in the two remaining verses he refers to the bearing of the law on his subject, and shows that there is in Christ an abundant provision for the increase of sin occasioned by the law. So abundant is grace that it is fully sufficient to remove original sin, actual sins - its fruits, and the sins discovered by the law, and by its means increased and enhanced. Hence superabundance is ascribed to it.”

John Calvin, *Romans Commentary*

Q: *How does Christ's abundant grace help us in seeking reconciliation with one another? How does Christ's abundant grace give you hope for family renewal?*

Application:

Romans 5:2-14 teaches us that:

- We are inheritors of Adam's sin and deserving of death apart from the grace of God
- Christ's abundant grace is sufficient to call us into a new family history.

Benediction: *Romans 5:1-5*