

# OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION

## FEBRUARY 20, 2022

### **Prelude**

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

### **Welcome**

#### **\*Call to Worship - Psalm 119:25-32**

~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 - *The Lord, Our God***

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

#### **\*Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - Romans 7:4-6**

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

#### **\*Congregational Response: Amen!**

#### **\*Songs of Comfort - *Prayer for the Brokenhearted* *Rising Sun***

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

#### **Pastoral Prayer - Mwamba Johnson, Vision Collegiate Ministries and David Donovan, Grace Covenant Church, Dallas**

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

#### **Sermon - The Law as a Means of Grace, Part 1 Romans 7:13-20**

#### **\*Song of Response - *His Mercy is More***

~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 LAW AS A MEANS OF GRACE, PART 1”

## ROMANS 7:13-20

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**Key Truth:** The law is a means of grace that God uses to expose our need for Christ and draw us to Him.

#### **Introduction:**

**Q:** *How does your knowledge of something affect its truth? What about the power of that thing in your life?*

#### **Romans 7:13-20: The Law as Spotlight to Reveal What's Already True:**

“The law, although it cannot secure either the justification or sanctification of men, performs an essential part in the economy of salvation. It enlightens conscience, and secures its verdict against a multitude of evils, which we should not otherwise have recognized as sins. It arouses sin, increasing its power, and making it, both in itself and in our consciousness, exceedingly sinful. It therefore produces that state of mind which is a necessary preparation for the reception of the gospel....”

**Charles Hodge, *Commentary on the Epistle to the Romans***

**Q:** *How has the Holy Spirit used God's law as a means of grace to expose your need for Christ and draw you closer to Him?*

#### **Application:**

**Romans 7:13-20** teaches us that:

-the law is a means of grace that God uses to expose our need for Christ and draw us to Him

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