
Order of Worship
May 31, 2020

Prepare to worship by reading:

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands. (Psalm 63:1–4 ESV)

Sing: “One Thing Have I Desired” (click on the title for song video)

One thing have I desired of the Lord

That will I seek after

That I may dwell in

the house of the Lord

All the days of my life

To behold the beauty

The beauty of the Lord

To inquire in His temple

The temple of the Lord

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Acknowledge your sin to God by reading:

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. (Ephesians 2:1–3 ESV)

Rejoice in God's grace by reading:

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. (Ephesians 2:4–7 ESV)

Sing: “Beautiful, Scandalous Night” (click on the title for song video)

*Go on up to the mountain of mercy
To the crimson perpetual tide
Kneel down on the shore
Be thirsty no more
Go under and be purified*

*Follow Christ to the Holy mountain
Sinner, sorry and wrecked by the fall
Cleanse your heart and your soul
In the fountain that flows
For you and for me and for all*

*At the wonderful tragic mysterious tree
On that beautiful scandalous night you and me
Were atoned by His blood and forever washed white
On that beautiful scandalous night*

*On the hillside you will be delivered
At the foot of the cross, justified
And your spirit restored
By the river that pours
From our blessed Saviour's side*

*At the wonderful tragic mysterious tree
On that beautiful scandalous night you and me
Were atoned by His blood and forever washed white
On that beautiful scandalous night*

*You carry the sin of mankind on your back
And the sky went black
Go on up to the mountain of mercy
To the crimson perpetual tide
Kneel down on the shore
Be thirsty no more
Go under and be purified*

*At the wonderful tragic mysterious tree
On that beautiful scandalous night you and me
Were atoned by His blood and forever washed white
On that beautiful scandalous night*

Confess what you believe by reading:

We believe in the personal, bodily and glorious return of our Lord Jesus Christ. The coming of Christ, at a time known only to God, demands constant expectancy and, as our blessed hope, motivates the believer to godly living, sacrificial service and energetic mission. (EFCA Statement of Faith)

Missionary Update from the Toombs:

Ministry at MIS is on hold. We can't get to Thies (where MIS is), due to regional restrictions. There aren't teams now; the logistics team is working on future dates. I can't visit the MIS villages. I have been able to phone some colleagues. Lots of virtual meetings- thank God for technology. :-) Georgianna's allergies make it dangerous should she contract C-19. Please pray for her. Thank God she's well thus far! Also, Silas is in San Diego, finishing his Sophomore year virtually. He returns to school in August. Pray Silas can get a summer job- he needs income for school. Thanks!

Listen:

"Personal Property" Exodus 22:1-15 (click on the title to watch the sermon)

Be encouraged this week by reading:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. (2 Timothy 1:2 ESV)

Sermon Notes

Questions:

1. What do these laws teach about the importance of making restitution?
2. How does making restitution relate to true biblical repentance?
3. How do these laws help us understand the response of Zacchaeus to Jesus in Luke 19?