

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

January 24, 2010

Reflection

An humble soul will bless God, and be thankful to God, as well under misery as under mercy; as well when God frowns as when he smiles; as well when God takes as when he gives; as well under crosses and losses as under blessings and mercies.

— *Thomas Brooks*

Our hearts find no peace until they find their rest in God.

— *Augustine*



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

***In recognition of the reason and reverence of worship, please remember to turn off your cell phones. Also, if you need a drink, please bring only water into the worship service. Thank you.*

SONG OF ASCENTS

Blessed Be Your Name

Bridge:

**You give and take away,
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say,
“Lord, blessed be Your name.” (Repeat)**

Blessed be Your name,
In the land that is plentiful;
Where Your streams of abundance flow,
Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name,
When I’m found in the desert place;
Though I walk through the wilderness,
Blessed be Your name.

Chorus:

**Every blessing You pour out I’ll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
Blessed be Your glo – rious name.**

Blessed be Your name
When the sun’s shining down on me;
When the worlds all as it should be,
Blessed be your name.
Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there’s pain in the offering,
Blessed be Your name. **(Chorus)**

(Bridge three times)

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WELCOMING ONE ANOTHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SILENT PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 136 1-9, 26

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the God of gods.

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: to him who alone does great wonders,

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: who by his understanding made the heavens,

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: who spread out the earth upon the waters,

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: who made the great lights—

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: the sun to govern the day,

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: the moon and stars to govern the night;

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the God of heaven.

People: His love endures forever.

ADORING GOD IN SONG

Better Is One Day

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty.
For my soul longs and even faints for You.
For here my heart is satisfied within Your presence.
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

Chorus:

**Better is one day in Your courts,
Better is one day in Your house,
Better is one day in Your courts,
Than thousands elsewhere.
Better is one day in Your courts,
Better is one day in Your house,
Better is one day in Your courts,
Than thousands elsewhere,
Than thousands elsewhere.**

One thing I ask and I would seek; to see Your beauty,
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.
(Chorus)

My heart and flesh cry out, for You, the living God,
Your Spirit's water to my soul.
I've tasted and I've seen. Come once again to me.
I will draw near to You.
I will draw near to You.
(Chorus twice)

We Fall Down

We fall down, we lay our crowns at the feet of Jesus.
The greatness of mercy and love at the feet of Jesus.

And we cry holy, holy, holy,
And we cry holy, holy, holy,
And we cry holy, holy, holy is the Lamb.

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CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDONING GRACE

1 John 4:9-11

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We invite everyone to fill out the registry pad located on the end of the aisle.

If you are a visitor, we hope that you have been encouraged by the time that you have spent worshipping with us today.

Prayer requests can also be submitted online through our web site at any time. Private requests will only be seen by the church leadership.

Deacon's Prayer

Cisco Ojeda

The Giving of Our Tithes & Offerings

Please sign and pass the registers.

OFFERTORY SONG

O Father, You Are Sovereign

Trinity Hymnal #75

O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made;
Your mighty word was spoken and light and life obeyed.
Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore,
Sets stars within their courses and stills the tempest's roar.

O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man;
No pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart your perfect plan.
All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space,
You hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

O Father, you are sovereign, the Lord of human pain,
Transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heav'nly gain.
All evil overruling, as none but Conqu'ror could,
Your love pursues its purpose — our souls' eternal good.

O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now,
But soon before your triumph earth's every knee shall bow.
With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew:
Our sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you!

MINISTRY OF WORD & PRAYER

Ruth 2

page 259 in the pew Bibles

Prayer for the Kingdom of God on Earth

Anthony Dunn

SONG OF PREPARATION

Thy Mercy My God Is the Theme of My Song

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,
The joy of my heart, and the boast of my tongue.
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last
Hath won my affection and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;
Sin would reduce me to utter despair.
But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive,
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart.
Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground
And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies! Thy goodness I own
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son.
All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine
Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine!

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Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine!

*If you are able,
please stand
in honor of God's Word,
which is forever true.*

Children age 30 months through 1st grade are invited to go to Children's Church during this song.

Children's Church is an optional activity during the sermon to help young children prepare to sit through the service. There is singing and an explanation of this week's Scripture Passage by an Elder.

*This Month's Children's Church Workers:
2 & 3 year old -
Poole
4 year old to 1st grade -
Brown & Morris*

*Next Month's Children's Church Workers:
2 & 3 year old -
Coyer
4 year old to 1st grade -
Dunn*

*Thy Mercy My God Is the Theme of My Song
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Words: John Stocker
Music: Sandra McCracken*

SERMON

For Further Discussion & Application:

What literary devices does the author of Ruth use in Chapter 2 to highlight different aspects of the story? What is the role of the narrator? How do these devices help us see what God is doing in the lives of these characters?

Read Proverbs 1. What similarities do you find between Boaz and the man described there?

Read Proverbs 31. What similarities do you find between Ruth and the woman described there?

What does the word hesed mean? What examples of "loving-kindness" do you see in this chapter? In Boaz? In Ruth? In God?

Sunday Lunch Question:

What are some examples of God's loving-kindness in your life? How can you share covenant blessing with someone else?

The Wings of Refuge

Ruth 2

Senior Pastor Dan Seale

RESPONSE & BLESSING

SONG OF RESPONSE

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from Thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

BENEDICTION

*O Love That Will
Not Let Me Go
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THIS WEEK

Today	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School "Getting the Message: A Plan for Interpreting and Applying the Bible"
	9:15 a.m.	Children's Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	12:00 p.m.	Visitor Luncheon
	5:30 p.m.	Youth Group <i>(meets at church, supper provided by Phillips)</i>
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study <i>(meets at church, Lorilynn Spronk, 789-4282)</i>
	7:30 p.m.	Middle School & High School Small Groups <i>(see web site for locations or contact Andy Wood)</i>
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Outreach Committee Meeting
Wednesday	9:45 a.m.	Women's Bible Study <i>(meets at church, Sally Narveson, 783-7582)</i>
	7:30 p.m.	Christian Education Committee Meeting
Thursday	7:45 p.m.	Music Team Practice
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study <i>(meets at church, Dan Seale, 518-2370)</i>
Birthdays & Anniversaries	See the screen in the foyer or the weekly e-letter.	
Next Sunday:	Nurseries	Team VI (Christina Dunn, Coordinator)
	Greeters	Cross

For more information on all upcoming events, please check out the online events calendar or the weekly e-letter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitor Luncheon Today

All visitors are invited to join us for a luncheon to be held immediately following the worship service today. The luncheon will be hosted by the Kemp Community Group.

Women's Spring Conference

All women, visitors and members, are invited to join us for a conference held on April 9-10 on the campus of Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte. The cost is \$35. For more information, please pick up a flyer from the foyer table or contact Becky Chapman at 878-5675. **The deadline for reservations is Sunday, January 31.**

Adult Sunday School

Please join us for our current class "Getting the Message: A Plan for Interpreting and Applying the Bible." This class is designed to teach you the principles and skills of biblical interpretation in a clear simple form that will enable you to better mine the riches in God's Word. Each class will introduce principles of interpretation and then provide a time to practice what you just learned so that you will be able to accurately and confidently study and apply God's Word. This class is based on Dan Doriani's book, Getting the Message.

Outreach Committee Needs Your Help

On Sunday, January 31, from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., the Outreach Committee will meet at the church to assemble parachutes to be used for dropping New Testaments, Christian literature, and radios for people living in the jungles of Colombia. This should be a fun family ministry activity. If you are interested in participating, if you have questions, or if you can provide and operate a sewing machine for this activity, please contact Josh Hurst at 467-7341. Donations of light-colored cotton fabric/linens (~2-foot diameter) will also be needed.

Men's Leadership Training

All men, visitors and members, are invited to meet at the church on Wednesday nights in February (10, 17, 24) and March (10, 17, 24, 31) from 7:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. for a time of teaching, equipping and mutual encouragement to grow in our ability to be gracious, godly, humble leaders in our homes, church, and community. For more details speak to Dan or Andy.

Dalton, Georgia Mission Trip

There will be a brief informational meeting at the church at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 31 for the Dalton, GA Mission Trip. The dates for the trip will be June 12-19. If you are considering this trip make every effort to attend. If you are interested but cannot attend, please speak to Pastor Dan as soon as possible. We want to reserve our spots for this trip by mid-February.

Need to contact Dan?
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Save the Date
for these upcoming events that you won't want to miss!

- January 31: Registration Deadline for April Women's Conference
- January 31: Outreach Committee Ministry Project
- January 31: Informational Meeting for Dalton, Georgia Mission Trip
- February 10, 17, 24: Men's Leadership Training
- February 16: Baby Welcome
- February 17: Ladies' Fellowship Night
- February 19: Intro to Redeemer Dinner & Dessert
- February 20: Intro to Redeemer Class
- March 10, 17, 24, 31: Men's Leadership Training
- April 9-10: Women's Spring Conference

Hear Sunday's Sermons online @ www.redeempca.net.



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CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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Dan Seale

ASSOCIATE

PASTOR:
Andy Wood

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Outside of Sunday Morning Worship, Community Groups are the main way to get plugged in here at Redeemer. As we continue to grow, these groups become more and more important in helping people connect and feel a part of our community. Groups of individuals and families meet in someone's home on the first and third Sundays of the month. It's in these smaller settings, also called shepherding groups, that we can be cared for and learn, serve, grow and pray together as a family.

North Raleigh (Creedmoor/I-540)

Leader: Ivan Spronk 789-4282
Time & Place: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
3108 Cranesbill Drive, 27613

North Raleigh (Baileywick)

Leader: Dave Larsen 345-3996
Time & Place: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
816 Berwyn Way, 27615

Northwest Raleigh

Leader: Rob Helms 518-1271
Time & Place: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
3405 1st Place, 27613

Northeast Raleigh (Durant Road)

Leader: Dan Kemp 848-9945
Time & Place: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
9944 Koupela Drive, 27614

Lake Lynn Area

Leader: Mike Newkirk 412-0621
Time & Place: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
4208 Omni Place, 27613

Southwest Raleigh/Cary

Leader: Jeff Smith 949-9710
Time & Place: 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.
108 Wilander Drive, 27511

Crabtree Area

Leader: Anthony Dunn 881-0478
Time & Place: 5:45 - 7:30 p.m.
1804 Kenwyck Manor Way, 27612

North Raleigh (Creedmoor/I-540)

Leader: Steve Welsh 676-1944
Time & Place: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
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