

10:30 am Worship

Morning Worship

May 10, 2020

Reflections

The fear of man bringeth a snare. How many are led aside by the fear of man? They are unwilling to offend men, they desire to please the company. But holy fear takes away this. It teaches us to fear God, and not man. It makes the soul exert all its care to please God, whoever be offended.

~ Thomas Boston

"The fear of God is the death of every other fear; like a mighty lion, it chases all other fears before it"

~ C.H. Spurgeon

Entering into joyful praise is a by-product of meditation on His mercy and grace, magnificence, holiness, justice, and kindness.

~ Elyse Fitzpatrick

Approach to God

Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship — Hebrews 12:28-29 (in unison)

²⁸Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, ²⁹ for our God is a consuming fire.

Hymn of Praise — Holy God We Praise Your Name



Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise

Praise the Savior Now and Ever

Praise the Savior now and ever; Praise him, all beneath the skies; Prostrate lying, suffering, Dying on the cross, a sacrifice. Victory gaining, life obtaining Now in glory he doth rise

Man's work faileth, Christ's availeth; He is all our righteousness; He, our Savior, has forever Set us free from dire distress. Through His merit we inherit Light and peace and happiness.

Sin's bonds severed, we're delivered, Christ has bruised the serpent's head; Death no longer is the stronger, Hell itself is captive led. Christ has risen from death's prison, O'er the tomb He light has shed.

For His favor, praise forever, Unto God the Father sing; Praise the Savior, praise Him ever, Son of God, our Lord and King. Praise the Spirit, through Christ's merit, He doth us salvation bring.

Praise you, Lord Jesus, Praise you both now and ever (repeat 3x)

The Glory of the Cross
What wisdom once devised the plan Where all our sin and pride Was placed upon the perfect Lamb Who suffered, bled, and died. The wisdom of a sovereign God Whose greatness will be shown When those who crucified your son Rejoice around your throne.

And oh, the glory of the Cross; That you would send your son for us I gladly count my life as loss That I might come to know The glory of, the glory of the Cross

What righteousness was there revealed That sets the guilty free, That justifies ungodly men And calls the filthy clean; A righteousness that proved to all Your justice has been met, And holy wrath is satisfied Through one atoning death.

What mercy now has been proclaimed For those who would believe; A love incomprehensible, Our minds could not conceive; A mercy that forgives my sin Then makes me like your son. And now I'm loved forevermore Because of what you've done.

Confession of Sin — Isaiah 6:1-5

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

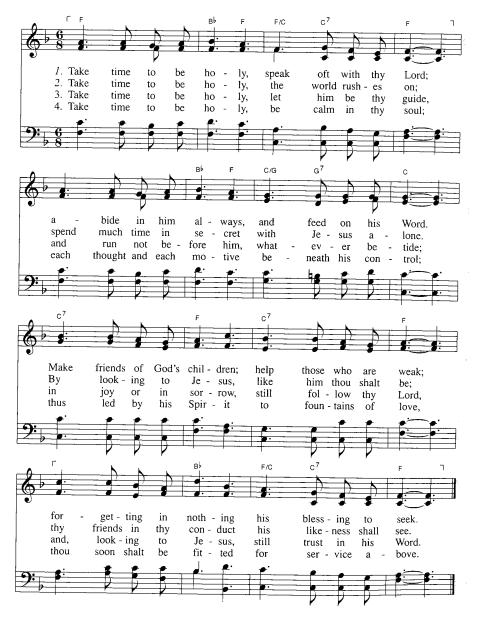
⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Assurance of Pardon — Isaiah 6:6-7, 1 John 4:9-10

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

⁹ In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Response in Song — Take Time to Be Holy



Congregational Prayer

Offering*

*You can give on-line at the New Hope website: www.newhopeopc.org and click on the green "give" button in the corner.

Sermon Text — 2 Samuel 6

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. ² And David arose and went with all the people who were with him from Baale-judah to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the LORD of hosts who sits enthroned on the cherubim. ³ And they carried the ark of God on a new cart and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. And Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart, ⁴ with the ark of God, and Ahio went before the ark.

⁵ And David and all the house of Israel were celebrating before the LORD, with songs and Iyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. ⁶ And when they came to the threshing floor of Nacon, Uzzah put out his hand to the ark of God and took hold of it, for the oxen stumbled. ⁷ And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzzah, and God struck him down there because of his error, and he died there beside the ark of God. ⁸ And David was angry because the LORD had broken out against Uzzah. And that place is called Perez-uzzah to this day. ⁹ And David was afraid of the LORD that day, and he said, "How can the ark of the LORD come to me?" ¹⁰ So David was not willing to take the ark of the LORD into the city of David. But David took it aside to the house of Obed-edom the Gittite. ¹¹ And the ark of the LORD remained in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months, and the LORD blessed Obed-edom and all his household.

¹² And it was told King David, "The LORD has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God." So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing. ¹³ And when those who bore the ark of the LORD had gone six steps, he sacrificed an ox and a fattened animal. ¹⁴ And David danced before the LORD with all his might. And David was wearing a linen ephod. ¹⁵ So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting and with the sound of the horn.

¹⁶ As the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal the daughter of Saul looked out of the window and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD, and she despised him in her heart. ¹⁷ And they brought in the ark of the LORD and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it. And David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD. ¹⁸ And when David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts ¹⁹ and

distributed among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins to each one. Then all the people departed, each to his house.

²⁰ And David returned to bless his household. But Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David and said, "How the king of Israel honored himself today, uncovering himself today before the eyes of his servants' female servants, as one of the vulgar fellows shamelessly uncovers himself!" ²¹ And David said to Michal, "It was before the LORD, who chose me above your father and above all his house, to appoint me as prince over Israel, the people of the LORD—and I will celebrate before the LORD. ²² I will make myself yet more contemptible than this, and I will be abased in your eyes. But by the female servants of whom you have spoken, by them I shall be held in honor." ²³ And Michal the daughter of Saul had no child to the day of her death.

Sermon — God Strikes Uzzah Dead

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Song — Our Song from Age to Age (page 10)

Benediction

Postlude

God Strikes Uzzah Dead -

2 Samuel 6

1. God's Holy Presence (1-15)

2. David's Selfless Abandon (16-23)

Closing Song — Our Song from Age to Age
Oh God of power, living Word the One who made the stars
Who with Your glory filled the earth, from dust made beating hearts
You loved us when we fell away poured mercy on our souls
And promised grace would come to save to loose death's iron hold

You are our song from age to age Our voices unite to recount Your praise, again and again You are our song from age to age We will proclaim Your pow'r to save, again and again

Oh God of promises fulfilled the God who took on flesh Who did all that the Father willed was humbled unto death You bore our cross of sin and shame endured our agony With gladness we now bear Your name and worship at Your feet (chorus)

Oh God, who surely guides our steps
Through tempests and through trials
Our Shepherd King, Your way is best though tears now veil our eyes
Your steadfast love, our perfect hope, our eyes are fixed on grace
We have no doubt You'll lead us home, to finally see Your face
(chorus)

Oh God of all of history enthroned in realms of light What eyes of faith have strained to see will one day fill our sight With all the saints we'll lay our crowns, before the Savior's feet And sing as all the heav'ns resound for all eternity

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Libby Low who is currently in the hospital recovering from surgery that was needed on a broken femur after a fall and not doing particularly well. Pray that, if it is her time, the Lord would take her peacefully and without suffering but that if it is not her time, she would heal quickly.
- Give thanks for the mothers in our congregation and for all that they do for their families. Pray that they will trust in God for wisdom and for the spiritual well-being for their children.
- Pray for peace and comfort for those for whom Mothers' Day is a difficult day.
- Pray for those who are out of work, have lost jobs recently, or are now underemployed due to the fallout from the government shutdowns. Pray for God's provision for them all.
- Pray that the Lord continues to uphold, sustain, and provide for New Hope.
- Pray that despite a tremendous amount of uncertainly and strain that we will continually turn to the Lord and trust in Him and His promises.
- Pray for those who are expecting: Katie Poortenga, Lauren Mendez, Colleen Forsee, and Jessica Bendy. Pray for the health and well-being of both moms and babies. Pray that these little ones will grow to love and serve the Lord all their days.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: Kim Hanlin and her father Vincent, John & Muriel Hadidian's daughter-in-law, Lance Duvall's father, Karyn Lynerd's father, the Wright family, the Beeman family as they are missing Russell, Bill Wright, Scott Innes, Steve Doe, Ron Oakes, John Bishoff, Ed Rodatus and those who are grieving from the loss of loved ones. Pray for strength to bear their difficult trials.

Frederick Area

- Pray for the local ministries we support financially CareNet Pregnancy Center, the Frederick Rescue Mission, and Child Evangelism Fellowship.
 Pray that the Lord will continue to sustain, provide for, and bless these ministries during this uncertain time.
- Pray for the churches in Frederick that they will continue to bring hope through the gospel to the people in the community.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month: the Frederick Rescue Mission as they
 continue to serve and feed those in need in these uncertain times. Pray
 for protection for their workers, for provisions to be met, and for order
 and joy in the midst of difficulty
- Pray for Claire Hall as she prepares to go to Scotland with 20Schemes missions and Kristen Lalley as she prepares to go to England. Pray that because the virus outbreak has been affecting various aspects of their ministries, the Lord would give them patience in waiting.
- Pray for Brad & Lucy Myers at UNC in Wilmington as they wrap up their year of ministry at the college and make plans about what is the best way to care for students during the summer and next year.

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text — 2 Samuel 6:6-7 — ⁶ And when they came to the threshing floor of Nacon, Uzzah put out his hand to the ark of God and took hold of it, for the oxen stumbled. ⁷ And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzzah, and God struck him down there because of his error, and he died there beside the ark of God.

Westminster Confession of Faith 21.6 Neither prayer, nor any other part of religious worship, is now, under the Gospel, either tied unto, or made more acceptable by any place in which it is performed, or towards which it is directed: but God is to be worshipped everywhere, in spirit and truth; as, in private families daily, and in secret, each one by himself; so, more solemnly in the public assemblies, which are not carelessly or willfully to be neglected, or forsaken, when God, by His Word or providence, calls thereunto.

Monday: 2 Sam 6:1-4. What is the significance of the ark (v 1, Ex 25:17 -22, Num 10:35f)? How does that help you understand why you couldn't touch it? Why do you think David wanted the ark in Jerusalem (1 Chron 13:3, Ps 132:7-10)? Are you neglecting God? How are you stirring yourself up to make God central, even when it's not "convenient"?

Tuesday: What warning signs do you pick up in 2 Sam 6:3-6 that things are not going correctly (1 Chron 15:13, Num 4:4-6, 15, 17-20, 7:9)? What does v 7 reveal about God's character (Is 6:3, Lev 10:3, Heb 12:29)? "You dare not trifle with a God who is both real and holy." Ponder that truth for yourself, and for the American church.

Wednesday: 2 Sam 6:8-15. What does David learn about God (v 9)? What happens to Obed-Edom when he hosts the ark (v 11, 12)? What does this say about God's desire for his people? How does Christ fulfill what the ark stood for (Rom 3:25, Heb 4:16, 9:5)? How does the explosive joy in v 12-15 fill out the holy reverence in v 7, 9 (Ps 2:11)? Is this what worship is to you? Do you have both these responses to God?

Thursday: 2 Sam 6:16-23. Why is Michal always referred to here as "daughter of Saul"? Is she simply despising David (v 16)? What is most important to her and Saul's kingdom (v 20, 1 Sam 15:22-23, 16:7)? What was the king supposed to do, and how can you reflect that more (1 Chron 16:8-13)?

Friday: 2 Sam 6:20-23. How does David answer Michal's charge that he dishonored himself? What is it that makes David forget himself, his reputation, and the audience of young women? How are we to reflect this (Jn 3:30)? His joy in the presence of the Lord moves him. Does it move you? Pray for this!

Saturday: How does 2 Sam 7:12-17 advance/clarify the promise of a Messiah? Craft a prayer of gratitude for our True King Jesus.