

10:30 am Worship

Morning Worship

May 31, 2020

Reflections

A non-indignant God would be an accomplice in injustice, deception, and violence.

~ Miroslav Volf

The anticipation of seeing God's face shining on us with the same warmth in love that he has for his own Son is the answer to our present discouragement, difficulty, and despair. Lift up your eyes from the trials and difficulties of the present and behold the glorious inheritance God has prepared for you. Gaze intently upon that glory and let it strengthen your weak knees and encourage your failing arms for the battle that is set before you.

~ Ian Duguid

The glory of God is the supreme beauty of His perfections. His holy, wise, and benignant Excellency--that moral goodness, without which omnipotence, eternity, and immensity, would be awful, but not lovely. This perfect glory, this complete divine majesty, resides in Christ, and shines forth from Him, so that He is the communicator of its knowledge and enjoyment to mankind.

~ John Brown

Approach to God

Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship — Psalm 99:1-5 (responsive)

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

- ² The LORD is great in Zion;
 - he is exalted over all the peoples.
- ³ Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!
- ⁴The King in his might loves justice.

You have established equity;

you have executed justice

and righteousness in Jacob.

Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

Hymn of Praise — Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



Prayer of Adoration

Confession of Sin — Psalm 103:7-10

- ⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.
- 8 The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- ⁹ He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.
- ¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon — Psalm 103:11-13

- ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
- ¹² as far as the east is from the west,
- so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
- ¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

Response in Song — Refiner's Fire

Purify my heart, Let me be as gold and precious silver Purify my heart, let me be as gold, Pure gold

Refiner's fire.
My heart's one desire
Is to be holy
Set apart for You, Lord.
I'm called to be holy,
Set apart for you, my Master
Ready to do your will

Purify my heart, Cleanse me from within and make me holy Purify my heart, cleanse me from my sin, Deep within

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 8:1-15

After this David defeated the Philistines and subdued them, and David took Metheg-ammah out of the hand of the Philistines.

² And he defeated Moab and he measured them with a line, making them lie down on the ground. Two lines he measured to be put to death, and one full line to be spared. And the Moabites became servants to David and brought tribute.

³ David also defeated Hadadezer the son of Rehob, king of Zobah, as he went to restore his power at the river Euphrates. ⁴ And David took from him 1,700 horsemen, and 20,000 foot soldiers. And David hamstrung all the chariot horses but left enough for 100 chariots. ⁵ And when the Syrians of Damascus came to help Hadadezer king of Zobah, David struck down 22,000 men of the Syrians. ⁶ Then David put garrisons in Aram of Damascus, and the Syrians became servants to David and brought tribute. And the LORD gave victory to David wherever he went. ⁷ And David took the shields of gold that were carried by the servants of Hadadezer and brought them to Jerusalem. ⁸ And from Betah and from Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, King David took very much bronze.

⁹ When Toi king of Hamath heard that David had defeated the whole army of Hadadezer, ¹⁰ Toi sent his son Joram to King David, to ask about his health and to bless him because he had fought against Hadadezer and defeated him, for Hadadezer had often been at war with Toi. And Joram brought with him articles of silver, of gold, and of bronze. ¹¹ These also King David dedicated to the LORD, together with the silver and gold that he dedicated from all the nations he subdued, ¹² from Edom, Moab, the Ammonites, the Philistines, Amalek, and from the spoil of Hadadezer the son of Rehob, king of Zobah.

¹³ And David made a name for himself when he returned from striking down 18,000 Edomites in the Valley of Salt. ¹⁴ Then he put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom he put garrisons, and all the Edomites became David's servants. And the LORD gave victory to David wherever he went.

¹⁵So David reigned over all Israel. And David administered justice and equity to all his people.

Sermon — God's Victorious King

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

God's Victorious King

2 Samuel 8

1. Victory Over his Enemies 1-8

2. Peace for his People 9-15

Closing Song — Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness,
Your loving-kindness tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is □nished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ, my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise Your buried body began to breathe Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me (Repeat)

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain, There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Benediction

Prelude

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Give thanks for the marriage of Benny & Liesl (Hake) Boyed who were married yesterday! Pray for them as they begin their life together in service to the Lord.
- 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 for our session and leadership as they care for the flock, lead the church, and make decisions. Pray that the Lord will give them grace, wisdom, and unity as they work together.
- Give thanks for those who are serving this week to as we begin corporate worship services.
- 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's father, John & Muriel Hadidian's daughter-in-law, Karyn Lynerd's father, the Wright family, the Beeman family as they are missing Russell, the Keebaugh family as they are missing Mike, Bill Wright, Ron Oakes, 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 Seth Jernigan as he raises funds for his summer missions work at the Boardwalk Chapel. Pray that the Lord provides for all of his needs and that it would be a fruitful and blessed summer.

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text — 2 Samuel 7:14-15 ¹⁴ I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, ¹⁵ but my steadfast love will not depart from him...

Monday: Read 2 Samuel 7:10-11. How does 2 Samuel 8 fulfill the promises of a place, a name, and rest from all enemies? How does this preview the final form of Jesus' kingdom with his church (e.g. Rev 21:1-3, 22-27)? We see again that God always keeps his promises. How would believing in the ultimate fulfillment of the promise of rest and peace change your life/perspective now?

Tuesday: 2 Samuel 8:1-8, 14. Note the refrain in vv 6, 14. Why would God give victory to David over other nations? Why would God destroy those outside of the covenant community? What was unique about David, and Israel? Consider this passage in light of Psalm 2. What do you learn about God's holiness, justice, and wrath here? What do you learn about the necessity of belonging to God (Rom 2:6-8)? Are you Christ's? Pray for those outside the faith.

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 8:1-8. "Do you think the fact that the Second Coming and judgment to come are so often played down is because of a sentimentalized, unbiblical view of Jesus?" (Davis) Consider the following passages about Jesus as victorious king: 1 Thess 1:7-8, 2:8-10, 1 Cor 15:24-25, Heb 10:13, Rev 19:15-16. Worship your rightful King with reverence and obedience!

Thursday: 2 Samuel 8:9-14. What does Toi do differently than the other nations? What is the outcome of his actions? Although this was likely for security (not faith), how does it exemplify the "right response" to God's King (Ps 2:10-12, Is 45:22-25). What is the alternative to God's just wrath (Rom 3:21-26)? Marvel at God's grace. Turn to Jesus for it. Pray fervently for the lost.

Friday: 2 Sam 8:15. How did David generally run his kingdom? How does Jesus perfectly run his kingdom (Is 9:4-7, 42:1-4)? Although this perfect justice and equity will only come into full effect when Jesus returns, how can we be outposts and ambassadors for justice and equity in our own personal lives, in our church, and in the world? Where will you to what is just and right in the circumstances of your life?

Saturday: Read 2 Sam 9. How do you see David's treatment of Mephibosheth as picturing Jesus' treatment of undeserving sinners?