

Sunday Gathering

Remembering as Worship,
Luke 22:1-23 - Todd
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Luke: Upside Down (2024)

Call to Worship John 1:1-5

Good morning, let's hear a word from John chapter 1: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

Jesus knows better than any person who ever lived, what true worship looks like, feels like, and sounds like. Because he was there in the beginning when God and humans walked together daily in the garden. So this morning as we sing to Jesus and later hear His words preached, let us remember that he is the ultimately authority on worship since the beginning of creation. He is simultaneously the most deserving of it, and the most faithful to practice it.

So let's lift as our voices as we worship the one who is worthy of all our praise.

Praise Him Praise Him (Lifeway)

There is A Peace

Confession - Psalm 63:1-4

Oftentimes when we read Bible stories, we put ourselves in the shoes of the hero. Let's be honest, we would all much rather see ourselves in David the unlikely victor than Goliath the evil Philistine, or in Stephen the faithful martyr rather than the misguided Sanhedrin who chose violence over repentance. It's natural for us to read ourselves into stories as the character who has the fewest lessons to learn.

But let's consider a different perspective. What if instead of the victorious hero, you were the one who was so confident in their own strength and abilities that you rarely considered your need for a Savior. Or what if instead of the faithful martyr, you were the one who plugged your ears and turned your face when your choices were called into question by someone who cared about you.

Take a moment and ask yourself this question: what might I learn if I consider that my sin holds the same weight as those I judge the most in Scripture?

This is not a call to hate on yourself or to call your faith into doubt. It's a reminder that our daily worship and repentance before God is both a reflection of our capacity for a faith like David and Stephen's, and our desperate need of saving like Goliath and the Sandhedrin.

Let's read together from Psalm 63:

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.
2 So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.
3 Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.
4 So I will bless you as long as I live;
in your name I will lift up my hands.

Lead Me To The Cross

Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Sermon

Communion - 1 Corinthians 11:23-28

Jesus Strong And Kind

Jesus Paid It All

Benediction

You may be seated. Thank you for joining us in today's gathering! We hope that you have experienced the welcome of Jesus.

Family Groups - We invite you to visit one of our Family Groups, which meet in homes throughout the week. We describe them as "intentional environments to be transformed by the gospel through relationships. If you would like to join one of them, there is info in the hallway, or talk with one of us, and we'll make a direct connection for you.

Giving & Visitors - Also, now is our time for giving—ushers, please come forward. If you are a visitor with us this morning, please grab a visitor card from the basket so we can get to know you more. You can give it to someone with a lanyard or leave it in your seat.

Antioch members, remember that giving is part of how we participate in God's mission. If you prefer to give digitally, visit our website or find us on GivApp.

Announcements

For everyone, here are a few ways to take the following steps:

- 1) Ladies, please see the sign-up sheet on the table for our upcoming women's Bible study on Habakkuk beginning in March. We will be meeting in small groups throughout the week to enjoy fellowship and God's Word. Contact Katie Harrod if you have any questions.
- 2) There will be an important leadership meeting deacons and pastors on Sat, Feb. 24 from 8:00 - 10:00am
- 3) At food pantry we served 75 families (272 individuals) and made one home delivery. Thanks to everyone who prayed and served in other ways throughout the month to make it happen. Big shoutout to Derek for stepping in at the last-minute to deliver the gospel presentation

We begin each gathering with a call to worship and end with a benediction, which is simply a reminder that we are blessed to be a blessing.

Church, let us go from here today, remembering that in Jesus's greatest trial, his first step was to worship. An example that is much easier said than done, but ultimately, a step that we must learn to take. In our lowest spiritual valleys and our highest mountains, Christ will hold us fast. That is a God worthy of our worship.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

You are sent.
