

MEMORY VERSE
for January 24, 2009
Romans 8:1-14

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. **2** For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. **3** For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, **4** in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. **5** For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. **6** For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. **7** For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. **8** Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. **9** You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. **10** But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. **11** If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you. **12** So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. **13** For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. **14** For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

The Lord's Day
January 17, 2010
Morning Worship, 8:30 a.m.



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Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

†Silent Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you are enthroned in heaven, but prayer will bring you down to our hearts. Indeed, you are always beforehand with us; and if we feel one desire toward you, we may accept it as a token that you gave it to us, to encourage us to ask for more. You are the sun and shield of those who fear you. Your favor is the one thing needful. Fix our confidence on you, O Lord; be our guide and guard. In the name of Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit . Amen.

—Adapted from a letter by John Newton (1725 —1807)

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 96:1-6

Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

***Hymn of Praise**

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

†Confession of Sin

Holy Father; we confess that we have not loved You as we ought, nor have we always been loving to one another, kindhearted, forgiving one another, even as You have forgiven us. We have lived in selfishness and worldly pride, and the good gifts You have bestowed upon us, we have not used to relieve the burdens of others. Pardon and blot out our offenses, we beg You. O merciful Father, who in compassion for Your sinful children did send Your only Son to be the Savior of the world: Grant us grace to feel and to lament our share in the evil which made it needful for Him to suffer and to die for our salvation. Give us a true longing to be free from sin, through the deliverance found in Jesus Christ our only Redeemer. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Ephesians 1:3-10

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making know unto us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth

***Hymn of Faith in Christ**

“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”

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Tithes and Offerings

***Hymn of Thanksgiving**

O Lord of heaven, and earth, and sea,
To thee all praise and glory be;
How shall we show our love to thee, Giver of all?

For souls redeemed, for sins forgiven,
For means of grace and hopes of heaven,
Father, what can to thee be given, Who givest all?

We lose what on ourselves we spend,
We have as treasure without end
Whatever, Lord, to thee we lend, Who givest all.

To thee, from whom we all derive
Our life, our gifts, our power to give:
O may we ever with thee live, Giver of all! Amen.

Tune: St. Joseph

Scripture Reading

Luke 9:37-50

Sermon

“Mission Readiness”

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

You are welcome to participate in the Lord’s Supper if you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a member or adherent of this or some other congregation. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and commend to you this prayer for your use during the time of the Lord’s Supper.

Prayer for Christians

Lord Jesus, this table testifies to the fact that you have risen. My need for this sacrament testifies to my fallen condition. I need the power of the resurrection, the power of your gospel because my flesh is weak. As I go forward and take and eat and drink, use these elements to enliven my heart to a deeper devotion and greater love of you. Give me a hatred for my sin. Sustain me, by your Spirit that I might follow you and walk in refreshing obedience.

Prayer for Those Who Are Not Yet Following Christ

God, I'm not sure that I know you or trust you. But I am here and I am willing. If these things are true, change me from within and give me a new life. Teach me about my sin and grant in me a living faith, that I may tell others that you loved a sinner like me. Dear God, save me from sin and save me to yourself that I might come to Your table, not this week, but in weeks to come.

Supper Hymn

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great high Priest whose Name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in Heaven He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free.
For God the just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb,
My perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
King of glory and of grace,
One with Himself I cannot die.
My soul is purchased by His blood,
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God.

—Charitie Lees Bancroft/Vikki Cook

Reading of Scripture

Acts 4:5-31

***Closing Hymn**

"All Authority and Power"

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Benediction

†Silent Prayer

O Lord, our God, send down upon us Your Holy Spirit, to cleanse our hearts, strengthen our faith, and to make perfect the offering of ourselves to You; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Postlude

Sermon Notes

Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.



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Prelude

Welcome

***Call to Worship** Romans 11:33—12:2
Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! “For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?” “Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?” For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

*Hymns of Praise

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies” #7
“Across the Lands”

You're the Word of God the Father
From before the world began.
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand.
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice:
Let the skies declare Your glory,
Let the land and seas rejoice!

CHORUS:

You're the Author of creation, You're the Lord of ev'ry man;
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands.

Yet You left the gaze of angels,
Came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry,
With a word You stilled the sea;
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free. (CHORUS)

With a shout You rose victorious,
Wresting vict'ry from the grave,
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake.
Now You stand before the Father,
Interceding for Your own;
From each tribe and tongue and nation,
You are leading sinners home. (CHORUS)

Congregational Prayer

- Unreached People Group: Southern Shilha (Morocco; 2.5 million; Islam; .04% Christian)
- Missions: Puyallup/Tacoma
- Adoption/Life Issues: Human Trafficking
- Persecuted Church: Open Doors 2010 World Watch List: #2, Iran
- Crisis relief efforts in Haiti after earthquake
- Health/Family: Penny Heins; Jose & Rebekah Balam Chuc; Brent Foster deployed
- Covenant Children/Youth: Darren Heins, Lindsay Heins, Wesley Isenberger, Bella Jackson, Amos Jackson, Abram Jackson, Annika Jackson, Addon Jackson

Scripture Reading

Psalm 44

Sermon

“National Defeat”

*Closing Hymn

“All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night” #401

Benediction

Postlude