

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VERSE BY VERSE - Wednesday

We invite you to join us for our weekly inductive Bible study, Verse By Verse, every Wednesday night at 6 PM, here at CCWC. Attendees are welcome to arrive early with their dinner at 5 PM to eat and fellowship with others. Childcare is provided.

ACADEMY: NEW TESTAMENT OVERVIEW (PART 1) - January 19 - April 13

Our next Academy class will offer a survey of the books and themes of the New Testament, with part 1 of the course beginning on January 19 and concluding on April 13. It will meet downstairs on Sundays from 8:40 AM - 9:40 AM. Childcare will be available. To sign up, please use the sign up sheet at the connection center or contact Isaac Whitney at isaac@christchurchwc.org.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS - January 19 - April 13

Our three-part membership class will be offered on Sunday mornings from January 19 to April 13 downstairs, from 8:40 AM to 9:40 AM. Classes may be attended in any order, but all must be attended before prospective members can proceed through the application process. Childcare is available.

SUNDAY NIGHT THEOLOGY - January 26

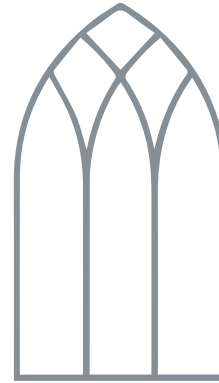
Our upcoming SNT lecture will take place on Sunday, January 26, at 5 PM. Dr. Michael Lawrence, pastor at Hinson Baptist Church in Portland, Oregon, will deliver a lecture on conversion. Childcare will be provided during the lecture. For more information on Sunday Night Theology, please visit our website.

EVENING SERVICE & MEMBER'S MEETING - February 9

Please make plans to join us for our next evening service on February 9 at 5 PM. In addition to corporate worship and prayer, Pastoral Intern Jake Galbreath will be preaching from Philippians 2:12-18. Childcare will be provided. Immediately following the evening service, we will have our regularly scheduled members' meeting. All members of CCWC should make plans to be in attendance.

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**CHRIST
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Service of Divine worship on the morning of
JANUARY 19, 2025

PREPARATION SONG
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP
Isaiah 40:9-11

PRAYER OF ADORATION
*All People That On Earth Do Dwell
O Great God*

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE
Amazing Grace

SCRIPTURE READING
Isaiah 35:1-10
How Marvelous

CONFSSIONAL READING
The New Hampshire Confession of Faith: Article 3; Humanity and the Fall

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING
Mark 10:32-52

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Gloria Patri

Be Thou My Vision

SERMON
John 15:18-16:4a

And Can It Be?

BENEDICTION
Isaiah 33:17

PREACHER: DR. RAYMOND JOHNSON
PRESIDING MINISTER: DERRICK KENYON

AND CAN IT BE?

VERSE 1

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

REFRAIN

Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

VERSE 2

He left His Father's throne above—
So free, so infinite His grace!
Humbled Himself—so great His love—
And bled for all His chosen race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
For, O my God, it found out me.

VERSE 3

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light.
My chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

VERSE 4

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne
And claim the crown through Christ my own.

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SERMON NOTES

A HATE-LOVE RELATIONSHIP

JOHN 15:18-16:4a | DR. RAYMOND JOHNSON

TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

VERSE 1

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see
There's light for a look at the Savior
And life more abundant and free

REFRAIN

Turn your eyes upon Jesus; look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

VERSE 2

Through death into life everlasting
He passed, and we follow Him there
O'er us sin no more hath dominion
For more than conquerors we are

VERSE 3

His Word shall not fail you; He promised
Believe Him, and all will be well
Then go to a world that is dying
His perfect salvation to tell

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ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL

VERSE 1

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice,
Him serve with fear, his praise forthtell;
Come ye before him, and rejoice!

VERSE 2

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
Without our aid he did us make.
We are his flock, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

VERSE 3

O enter then his gates with praise;
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

VERSE 4

For why? The Lord our God is good;
His mercy is forever sure.
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

VERSE 5

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!
Praise him, all creatures here below!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

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GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be
World without end.
Amen, amen

Gloria Patri, 2nd cent.
Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

BE THOU MY VISION

VERSE 1

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

VERSE 2

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

VERSE 3

Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight,
Be thou my Armor, and be thou my Light.
Thou my soul's Shelter, thou my high Tow'r.
Raise thou me heav'nward, o Pow'r of my pow'r.

VERSE 4

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and Thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art

VERSE 5

High King of heaven, the victory won
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

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O GREAT GOD

VERSE 1

O great God of highest heaven, occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme; conquer every rebel power
Let no vice or sin remain that resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me; make me Yours forevermore

VERSE 2

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys
Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son, gave me endless hope and peace

VERSE 3

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed
O great God of highest heaven, glorify Your Name through me

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Music and words by Bob Kauflin (Based on The Valley of Vision prayer "Regeneration")
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CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

For our transgressions are multiplied before you, and our sins testify against us; for our transgressions are with us, and we know our iniquities: transgressing, and denying the Lord, and turning back from following our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart lying words.

ISAIAH 59:12-13 (ESV)

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

ISAIAH 25:6-9 (ESV)

SCRIPTURE READING

And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you." And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Rabbi, let me recover my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

MARK 10:32-52 (ESV)

CONFESSIONAL READING

We believe humanity is the special creation of God, made in his own image. God created them male and female as the crowning work of His creation. The gift of gender is thus part of the goodness of God's creation. The gift of marriage consists of the uniting of one man and one woman in covenant commitment for a lifetime, and this gift models the way God relates to His people. God created the human race in holiness under his law. By voluntary transgression, however, humanity fell from that holy and happy state. As a result, all people are now sinners, not by external compulsion but by choice. They by nature entirely lack the holiness that is required by the law of God and are actively inclined to evil. Therefore, they are under just condemnation to a sentence of eternal ruin, without defense or excuse.

(Gen. 1:27; Gen. 1:31; Ecc.7:29; Acts 17:26-29; Gen. 2:16-17; Gen. 3:6-24; Rom. 5:12; Rom. 5:15-19; Ps. 51:5; Rom. 8:7; Isa. 53:6; Gen. 6:12; Rom. 3:9-18; Eph. 2:1-3; Rom. 1:18,32; Rom. 2:1-16; Gal. 3:10; Matt. 20:15; Ezek. 18:19-20; Rom. 1:20; Rom. 3:19; Gal. 3:22)

THE NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFESSION OF FAITH: ARTICLE 3; HUMANITY AND THE FALL (Adapted; 1833)

AMAZING GRACE

VERSE 1

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

VERSE 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

VERSE 3

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

VERSE 4

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my Shield and Portion be,
As long as life endures.

VERSE 5

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.

VERSE 5

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
The sun forbear to shine;
but God, who called me here below,
will be forever mine.

VERSE 6

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

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SCRIPTURE READING

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus; it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it. It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

ISAIAH 35:1-10 (ESV)

HOW MARVELOUS

VERSE 1

I stand amazed in the presence
Of Jesus the Nazarene,
And wonder how He could love me:
A sinner, condemned, unclean.

REFRAIN

How marvelous! How wonderful!
And my song shall ever be:
How marvelous! How wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me!

VERSE 2

For me it was in the garden
He prayed: "Not My will, but Thine."
He had no tears for His own griefs,
But sweat drops of blood for mine.

VERSE 3

He took my sins and my sorrows;
He made them His very own;
He bore the burden to Calv'ry,
And suffered and died alone.

VERSE 4

When, with the ransomed in glory,
His face I at last shall see,
'Twill be my joy through the ages
To sing of His love for me!

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