50+ Sunday Class All Saints Presbyterian Church Austin, TX

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# Because You Asked . . . Your Questions & Topics

All Saints Presbyterian Church Austin, TX Winter 2024

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#### **50+ Schedule – Winter-Spring**

**Songs of Praise** 

Prayer

"Because You Asked"

### <u>50+ Schedule - Winter-Spring 2024</u>

January

- <u>Sun, 1/7</u> **BYO Lunch** after Worship. In All Saints Tent.
- <u>Fri, 1/19</u> Bullock History Museum–10 AM Tour. Café Lunch.
   February
- <u>Sun, 2/11</u> <mark>Dinners for 9+</mark> 6:30-9:30 PM in Homes. See Lida. March
- <u>Mon, 3/25</u> All Day Road Trip Educational & Tasty! (TBA)
   April
- Mon-Tue, 4/22-23 Annual Retreat at The Retreat



### <u>Exodus 15:2</u>

The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him.



















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#### **JESUS, NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES**

#### Naida Hearn (1974)

Jesus, Name above all names, Beautiful Savior, Glorious Lord, Emmanuel, God is with us, Blessed Redeemer, Living Word;

Jesus, Loving Shepherd, Vine of the Branches, Son of God, Prince of Peace, Wonderful Counselor, Lord of the Universe, Light of the World

#### **JESUS, NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES**

Naida Hearn (1974)

I Am, Lord of the Gentiles, Lord God almighty, Prince of Peace, El Shaddai, God is Sufficient, Shepherd of Souls, King of Kings;

Lily of the Valley, Son of David, Rose of Sharon, The Alpha, and The Omega, Seed of Jesse, Morningstar;

Jesus, Our Intercessor, Promised Messiah, Bread of Life, The Giver of Living Water, Mighty Baptizer, Son of God. 50+ Schedule – Winter-Spring

**Songs of Praise** 

Prayer

"Because You Asked"

- 9/10 Because You Asked #17 "...he descended into hell."
- 9/17 Because You Asked #18 How saved? Abrahamic Faith.
- 9/24 Because You Asked #19 Ditto. Yahweh v. Allah.
- 10/1 Because You Asked #20 Heaven & Dogs.
- 10/8 Because You Asked #21 Heaven II
- IO/15 Guest Teacher: Dr. Bill Walker, Dir. of Hill House at UT
- 10/22 Because You Asked #23 Heaven III & Rewards
- IO/29 Because You Asked #24 Assurance of Salvation
- II/5 Because You Asked #25 Nature of Jesus. Trinity.
- 11/12 Because You Asked #26 Jesus' Family. Original Sin.
- 11/19 Guest Teacher: Rev. Michael Barber. Early Christianity.
   11/26 Because You Asked #27 Original Sin 2.

- 1/7 Because You Asked #28 –
- 1/14 Because You Asked #29 –
- 1/21 Because You Asked #30 –
- 1/28 Because You Asked #31 –
- 2/4 Because You Asked #31 –
- 2/11 Guest Teacher –
- 2/18 Because You Asked #32 –
- 2/25 Because You Asked #33 –
- 3/3 *Because You Asked* #34 –
- 3/10 *Because You Asked #35* –
- 3/17 Because You Asked #36 –
- 3/24 Because You Asked #37 –
- 3/31 Easter No Class

**Theology**—Q27 – Is "original sin" in Scripture? Who formulated it and why?

- Our fallen hearts are inclined toward sin before any actual sin
- This root of sin, transmitted to us from Adam, is the source of all actual sin
- We are not sinners because we sin. We sin because we are sinners!
- We are born with a fallen nature that is enslaved to sin.



Theology—Q27 – Is "original sin" in Scripture? ...

- Adam
  - Able not to sin. Able to sin.
- After Adam
  - Not able not to sin.
- In Christ
  - Able not to sin. Able to sin.
- In Glory
  - Not able to sin.

Theology—Q27 – Is "original sin" in Scripture? ...

- <u>Total Depravity</u> = the implication of our original sin
  - The corruption of our fallen spiritual and moral nature is total in principle, although not in degree.
  - No part of us is untouched by sin; thus, no action is as good as it should be.
  - Yet no one is as bad as he or she might be.
  - Consequently, we cannot earn God's favor, no matter what we do (not able not to sin).

- Unless grace saves us, we are lost.
- Total INability

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#### Westminster Confession of Faith 9.3—

Man, by his fall into a state of sin, has wholly lost all ability of will to any spiritual good accompanying salvation so that, as a natural man, being altogether averse from that good, and dead in sin is not able, by his own strength, to convert himself, or to prepare himself to do so



**Theology**—Q28 – What does the *"Cross"* mean?

#### Thomas Schmidt, A Scandalous Beauty

The cross has become a piece of jewelry, a beautiful decoration in a church, a symbol of faith. It is difficult for us to pass back through the centuries of tradition to see crucifixion as a form of capital punishment so horrible that polite people would not so much as mention it.... If the idea of crucifixion was abhorrent to decent people in the ancient world, imagine the difficulty of trying to convince them that a god—indeed, the God—had willingly endured such a punishment.

Galatians 3.13

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"

<u>John F. MacArthur, Jr.</u>

On the cross God looked at Christ and saw you; now He looks at you and sees Christ.

#### <u>2 Corinthians 8.9</u>

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

#### **Oswald Chambers**

The Cross is the place where God and sinful man merge with a crash and the way to life is opened —but the crash is on the heart of God.

#### John Stott, Authentic Christianity

The repeated promises in the Qur'an of the forgiveness of a compassionate and merciful Allah are all made to the meritorious, whose merits have been weighed in Allah's scales, whereas the gospel is good news of mercy to the undeserving. The symbol of the religion of Jesus is the cross, not the scales.

#### Sarah Coleman (author)—

The Cross is a great **contradiction**. A simple upright post with a transverse bar used for crucifixion. It's a symbol of death, but so much more. Death and life, hate and love, violence and peace, accusation and forgiveness, sin and purity, brokenness and wholeness, all is lost yet everything is gained, destruction and restoration, defeat and victory. Once the cruelest form of execution, yet now it is a symbol of abundant life.

#### Philippians 2.6-8

Though [Christ] was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.



<u>Theology</u>—Q28 – What does the "Cross" mean? <u>Symbol</u> of the <u>Humble Obedience of Christ</u>

Symbol of the Humble Obedience of Christ

- Our Triune God is One God in <u>3 Persons</u>
  - Self-Existent, Co-Equal, Co-Eternal
  - Harmonious in all Actions
  - Distinct in their Mutual Relationships

- <u>Covenant of Redemption</u> (agreement between:)
  - Father's Eternal Purpose Plan of Redemption
  - Son's Obedient Acceptance Mediator Between God & Man



- Fulfilled in 2 Stages
  - <u>Humiliation</u> of Christ (Active & Passive Obedience)
    - Left eternal glory, took on human flesh & temptations
    - Lived perfectly a life of poverty & suffering
    - Died sacrificially, rejected, shamed, under God's wrath



- Fulfilled in 2 Stages
  - <u>Humiliation</u> of Christ (Active & Passive Obedience)
  - <u>Exaltation</u> of Christ
    - Rose to New Life, Ascended to Heaven, Reigns as King
    - Sent the Holy Spirit to complete and confirm the work of salvation in human hearts



Next Class on 1/14/24

Prayer