



1 & 2 Samuel

THE HOPE OF A BETTER KING

PRELIMINARIES: WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WE GIVE GLORY TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP: "2 THESSALONIANS 2:16-17"

16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace,
17 comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

HYMN OF ACCLAMATION: "HERE FOR YOU"

Let our praise be Your welcome, let our songs be a sign
We are here for You, we are here for You
Let Your breath come from heaven, fill our hearts with Your life
We are here for You, we are here for You

Chorus

To You our hearts are open, nothing here is hidden
You are our one desire
You alone are holy, only You are worthy
God let Your fire fall down

Let our shout be Your anthem, Your renown fill the sky
We are here for You, we are here for You
Let Your Word move in power, let what's dead come to life
We are here for You, we are here for You - **Chorus**

We welcome You with praise, we welcome You with praise
Oh mighty God of love, be welcomed in this place
Let ev'ry heart adore, let ev'ry soul awake
Oh mighty God of love, be welcomed in this place

WE MOURN THE REALITY OF SIN

HYMN OF CONFESSION: "COME YE SOULS BY, SIN AFFLICTED"

Come ye souls by, sin afflicted,
Bowed with fruitless, sorrow down;
By the broken, law convicted,
Through the cross, behold the crown;
Look to Jesus; Look to Jesus; Look to Jesus;
Mercy flows through Him alone.

Take His easy, yoke and wear it;
Love will make your, obedience sweet;
Christ will give you, strength to bear it,
While His grace, shall guide your feet
Safe to glory, Safe to glory, Safe to glory,
Where His ransomed captives meet.

Blessed are the, eyes that see Him,
Blest the ears that, hear His voice;
Blessed are the, souls that trust Him,
And in Him, alone rejoice;
His commandments, His commandments, His commandments
Then become their happy choice.

Sweet as home to, pilgrims weary,
Light to newly, opened eyes,
Like full springs in, deserts dreary,
Is the rest, the cross supplies;
All who taste it, All who taste it, All who taste it
Shall to rest immortal rise.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful Father, We confess that we are poor and needy sinners. We have wandered from Your ways, trusted in ourselves, and sought satisfaction in things that cannot save.

We confess that we have nothing to offer You except our need. Our obedience is incomplete, and our hearts are divided. We have loved lesser things more than You.

Still You have not cast us away. You invite the weary, the broken, and the guilty to come to Christ. Teach us to rest in the finished work of Jesus Christ, who alone is our righteousness, our peace, and our salvation. In His holy name we pray. Amen.

[Pause for silent reflection and confession]

WE CELEBRATE CHRIST AS OUR REDEEMER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news from God's Word:

"Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool." (Isaiah 1:18)

Friends, Jesus paid it all. On the cross He bore our guilt, satisfied God's justice, and secured our complete forgiveness. If you have turned to Christ in faith, your sins are forgiven, your debt is canceled, and you are clothed in His perfect righteousness. Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF REDEMPTION: "JESUS PAID IT ALL"

I hear the Savior say: "Thy strength indeed is small"
Child of weakness, watch and pray Find in me thine all in all.

Chorus

Jesus paid it all! All to Him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain;
He washed it white as snow.

Lord now indeed I find; thy power and thine alone
Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone - **Chorus**

And when before the throne, I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save, my lips shall still repeat - **Chorus**

O praise the One who paid my debt,
And raised this life up from the dead! (REPEAT) - **Chorus**

5-MINUTE BREAK

In addition to taking children to Ridge Kids and using the restroom, take time to meet/greet one another. "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." (Hebrews 10:24-25)

SCRIPTURE READING: "1 SAMUEL 25:23-31"

23 When Abigail saw David, she hurried and got down from the donkey and fell before David on her face and bowed to the ground. **24** She fell at his feet and said, "On me alone, my lord, be the guilt. Please let your servant speak in your ears, and hear the words of your servant. **25** Let not my lord regard this worthless fellow, Nabal, for as his name is, so is he. Nabal is his name, and folly is with him. But I your servant did not see the young men of my lord, whom you sent. **26** Now then, my lord, as the Lord lives, and as your soul lives, because the Lord has restrained you from bloodguilt and from saving with your own hand, now then let your enemies and those who seek to do evil to my lord be as Nabal.

27 And now let this present that your servant has brought to my lord be given to the young men who follow my lord. **28** Please forgive the trespass of your servant. For the Lord will certainly make my lord a sure house, because my lord is fighting the battles of the Lord, and evil shall not be found in you so long as you live. **29** If men rise up to pursue you and to seek your life, the life of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of the living in the care of the Lord your God. And the lives of your enemies he shall sling out as from the hollow of a sling. **30** And when the Lord has done to my lord according to all the good that he has spoken concerning you and has appointed you prince over Israel, **31** my lord shall have no cause of grief or pangs of conscience for having shed blood without cause or for my lord working salvation himself. And when the Lord has dealt well with my lord, then remember your servant."

SERMON: "REMEMBER THE LORD'S CARE FOR YOU"

DAVIS LACEY - 1 SAMUEL 25 (PGS. 126-134 IN THE ILLUMINATED SCRIPTURE JOURNAL)

Main point: when we remember the Lord's care for us, we can avoid being careless towards others...

- A lack of care (1 Samuel 25:1-13)
- The Lord's care for David (1 Samuel 25:14-43)
- The Lord's care for us

Care deficit: "When we sense that someone could care less about us, we tend to be careless towards them."`

Applications:

- Because the Lord cares for you, live with FAITH
- Because the Lord cares for you, live with CARE (not carelessness)
- Because the Lord cares for you, live On MISSION

WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL

HYMN OF RESPONSE: "MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN"

My worth is not in what I own, Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love, at the cross

My worth is not in skill or name, In win or lose, in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed, at the cross

Chorus

I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him, no other, my soul is satisfied in Him alone

As summer flowers we fade and die, Fame, youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us, at the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might, Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ, at the cross - **Chorus**

Two wonders here that I confess, My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed my ransom paid, at the cross - **Chorus**

HYMN OF NEW CREATION: "AMAZING GRACE"

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.

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

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

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

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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UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

Grab a Missions Memo to keep up with other dates/opportunities to be involved

July 12 - Second Sundays: Transformation Groups

August 9 - Second Sundays: Transformation Groups

September 9 - Generations of Grace

Second Sundays: Transformation Groups

On ***Second Sundays*** this Summer, we invite you to stay for lunch after worship and participate in orientations for The Seeing Jesus Together Journal, which we utilize in our church's Transformation Groups. In addition to being trained on the applications of the Seeing Jesus Together Journal for both group life and for personal devotional rhythms, you'll get the opportunity to fellowship with fellow members and attenders of Autumn Ridge Community Church.

Transformation Groups will launch in August/September. We ask that anyone who wishes to participate in a Transformation Group participate in one of these Second Sundays: July 12 or August 9. Register with the QR code below.



