EVENING WORSHIP SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

The Call to Worship

The Psalm Psalm 108

My heart is fixed, O God; I'll sing; my psalms I'll raise. My soul shall sing; awake, O harp! At dawn I'll wake to praise.

I will give thanks to Thee among the peoples, Lord. Among the nations of the world to Thee I'll psalms accord.

Above the heavens high Thy love and mercy rise; Thy faithfulness extendeth far; it reaches to the skies.

Be Thou exalted far above the heav'ns, O God; and let Thy glory be advanced o'er all the earth abroad.

The Invocation

The Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism #38, I Corinthians 15:42-43, and I Thessalonians 4:17

Leader: What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

People: At the resurrection, believers being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God, to all eternity.

Leader: How are we taught this truth in I Corinthians 15:42-43?

People: "So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power."

Leader: How are we taught this truth in I Thessalonians 4:17?

People: "Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord."

The Song

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art. I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart. Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, as Thy beauty fills my soul. For by Thy transforming power, Thou hast made me whole. Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art. I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, I behold Thee as Thou art. And Thy love, so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart; satisfies its deepest longings, meets, supplies its every need, compasseth me round with blessings: Thine is love indeed. *Chorus*

Ever lift Thy face upon me as I work and wait for Thee; Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth's dark shadows flee. Brightness of my Father's glory, sunshine of my Father's face, keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with Thy grace. *Chorus*

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The Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 11
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The Song

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His face away as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders. Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished; His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom. But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

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The Evening Prayer

The Sermon

Mr. Wilson Van Hooser

Ephesians 5:1-2 Pew Bible Page 978

The Greatest Privilege of all Mankind

The Hymn

Go, Labor On

Go, labor on: spend and be spent, your joy to do the Father's will; it is the way the Master went; should not the servant tread it still?

Toil on, faint not, keep watch and pray; be wise the erring soul to win; go forth into the world's highway, compel the wand'rer to come in.

Toil on, and in your toil rejoice; for toil comes rest, for exile home; soon shall you hear the Bridegroom's voice, the midnight peal, "Behold, I come."

The Benediction