# **OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION** SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

### Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

# **Welcome - Robby Baxter, Assimilation Director**

# \*Call to Worship - Psalm

~God's invitation for us to engage in worship in the Holy Spirit

# \*Weekly Congregational Response

~Our humble response to God's call to worship

# \*Prayer of Invocation

The giving of thanks for God's promised presence and work among us

# \*Song of Preparation and Praise - Psalm 8

~Our celebration of God as our good and faithful Abba Father

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~Our admission of our failures and need for Christ as Savior

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# \*Song of Comfort - Let Me Find Thee

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

## **Pastoral Praver**

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

# **Sermon** - The Call to be Crowned with Wisdom Proverbs 4:1-9

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~Our commitment to apply God's Word in and through our lives

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#### \*Benediction - Colossians 1:9-10

~God's parting blessing as we are sent out on His redemptive mission

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# "THE CALL TO BE CROWNED WITH WISDOM" PROVERBS 4:1-9 CAMERON BARHAM

Key Truth: We are to cultivate God's wisdom into life giving insights through loving relationships with those faithful examples from previous generations in our spheres of influence.

#### Introduction:

Q: What impact does someone else's passion for you and for a given subject have on your learning and growing in that subject?

#### Proverbs 4:1-9: Wisdom's Crown: The Gift of Faithful Examples from Previous Generations:

"This linking of three generations (verses 1, 3ff.) demonstrates how a love of the best things will be transmitted mainly by personal influence, along the channels of affections. The approach is positive: the teacher is far less interested in 'don'ts' (though, they have their place: see 3:27-31) than in getting the pupil to see that he is offered the secret of being really alive (4b), and therefore to co-operate by cultivating his own love (6) of the wisdom which is that secret."

Derek Kidner. Proverbs: An Introduction and Commentary

Q: Who from the faithful in previous generations are you cultivating and gaining life giving insights from in your spheres of influence? Who from the coming generations are you helping to cultivate life giving insights in your spheres of influence?

## Application:

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