

OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION NOVEMBER 7, 2021

Prelude

~The instrumental cue to gather and prepare for worship

Welcome

***Call to Worship - Psalm 51:14-17**

~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 - *Thy Mercy My God

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

***Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon - Romans 5:18-21**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

Songs of Comfort - *It Is Finished* *His Mercy is More

~Our praise of Jesus as our Savior

Pastoral Prayer - The Mills, MTW Thailand and Robie Hembree, Grace Church, Canton

~Our prayer for the church gathered near and far

Sermon - Christ's Finished Work and God's Kingdom of Abundant Grace Romans 5:18-21

Preparation of the Table Partaking of the Table

~Practiced on a regular basis to make the Word visible.

***Doxology**

Song of Response - *Come to the Feast

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

***Announcements**

~Weekly opportunities to live out the Word read, confessed, prayed, sung, and preached

***Benediction - Romans 5:1-5**

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

***Congregational Response: Amen!**

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“CHRIST’S FINISHED WORK AND GOD’S KINGDOM OF ABUNDANT GRACE” ROMANS 5:18-21 MATT O’SULLIVAN

Key Truth: Christ's finished work sets us free from the tyranny of sin and death and brings us into God's kingdom of abundant grace.

Introduction:

Q: *How do you try to deal with your imperfection?*

Romans 5:18-19: Christ's Finished Work

“The design of the apostle being to illustrate the nature and to confirm the certainty of our justification, it is the leading doctrine of this passage, that our acceptance with God is founded neither on our faith nor our good works, but on the obedience or righteousness of Christ, which to us is a free gift. This is the fundamental doctrine of the gospel.”

Charles Hodge, *Commentary on the Epistle to the Romans*

Q: *How can Christ's finished work bring you into deeper rest and joy in Him?*

Romans 5:20-21: God's Kingdom of Abundant Grace

Q: *What keeps you from running to God's throne of grace when you sin?*

“We might feel a little bashful or uncomfortable or even guilty in emphasizing God's tenderness as intensely as his wrath. But the Bible feels no such discomfort. Consider Romans 5:20: ‘Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more.’ The guilt and shame of those in Christ is ever outstripped by his abounding grace. When we feel as if our thoughts, words, and deeds are diminishing God's grace toward us, those sins and failures are in fact causing it to surge forward all the more.”

Dane Ortlund, *Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers*

Application:

Romans 5:18-21 teaches us that:

-our justification allows us to enjoy a victorious life through Jesus as a free gift of God's abundant grace and righteousness

Benediction: *Romans 5:1-5*