

Devotional for Each Day of the Week

Sunday: “Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in His holy mountain.”—Psalm 48:1. **Pray** that the Lord would be worshipped in this and every church according to His commands. **Pray** for Rev. and Mrs. George Gregory, whose two-year old son just died.

Monday: “If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is sitting at the right hand of God.”—Colossians 3:1. **Pray** that God would give you and your loved ones the grace to seek Christ. **Praise God** for the official opening in Ireland of Galway Covenant Christian Fellowship’s new church building and for the Lord’s provision at every stage of the project, and **pray** for wisdom in how best to use these new premises for reaching out with the Gospel.

Tuesday: “Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.”—Colossians 3:2. **Pray** that you would be able to think heavenly thoughts. **Pray** for the First Reformed Presbyterian Church, Durham, North Carolina; for Pastor Kent Butterfield and his wife, Dr. Rosaria Butterfield, who faithfully teaches the Biblical view of sexuality; and for the outreach efforts of the congregation.

Wednesday: “For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.”—Colossians 3:3. **Pray** that you would be able to live for Jesus. **Pray** that the Chris Myers family would be able to move to Atlanta.

Thursday: “When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.”—Colossians 3:4. **Pray** that you and your friends would be ready for the second coming of Christ. **Pray** for Elkhart (Ind.) Reformed Presbyterian Church, pastored by Wade Mann.

Friday: “Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.”—Colossians 3:5. **Pray** that you would be kept from all temptation. **Pray** for Hetherton (Mich.) Reformed Presbyterian Church, and Pastor Ray Morton, that they’d be encouraged in their ministry.

Saturday: “Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.”—Colossians 3:6-7. **Pray** that many people would come to church tomorrow, and that they would repent of their rebellion against God.

Atlanta Presbyterian Fellowship

The Lord’s Day
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Meeting every week at
472-B Paines Avenue NW
Atlanta, Georgia
Sunday School at 4:45 PM
Worship at 5:30 PM

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Proclaiming the Kingship of Jesus Christ

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions

The Call to Worship

Psalm 136:2

*The Invocation

*Psalm 145A

“I Will Thee Praise, My God, O King”

Scripture Reading (pp. 700-701)

James 2:14-26

Pastoral Prayer

*Psalm 5B

“O Jehovah, Hear My Words”

Scripture Text (p. 674)

Galatians 5:1-6

The Sermon

“The Faith of Justification”

*Prayer

*Psalm 32A

“O Blessed is the Man”

*Benediction

*Psalm 68E

“O All Ye Kingdoms of the Earth”

** Congregation will please stand.*

We are so glad that you could join us today! This service is being conducted under the auspices of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. Please be sure to return next week and bring a friend.

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions & Answers

“O how love I thy law! It is my meditation all the day.”—Psalm 119:97.

“For our God is a consuming fire.”—Hebrews 12:29.

“Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it. Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.”—Psalm 127:1.

Q. 32. What benefits do they that are effectually called partake of in this life?

A. They that are effectually called do in this life partake of justification, adoption, and sanctification, and the several benefits which in this life do either accompany or flow from them.

Q. 33. What is justification?

A. Justification is an act of God’s free grace, wherein he pardoneth all our sins, and accepteth us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

Galatians 5:6 “The Faith of Justification”

Paul teaches that only by a living faith is a person justified.

I. Union with Christ

A. to be outside of Christ is to be lost

B. to be in Christ is to be saved

1. you must be united with Him

2. therefore, the question is, How can this be done?

II. What Does Not Work

A. circumcision

B. uncircumcision

III. What Does Matter

A. faith

1. faith is an empty hand reaching out to be filled

2. it’s the only means of salvation

3. it’s at the moment of faith that justification occurs

B. but, it’s a living faith

1. salvation is a package deal

2. saving faith therefore is always accompanied by all the other saving graces

Application—be sure that you’re really trusting in Christ by a genuine faith

A. not looking to anything other than Christ and His righteousness

B. but not a faith that is dead, but a living faith—that is, a **real** trusting in Christ