

Devotional for Each Day of the Week

Sunday: “By awesome deeds in righteousness You will answer us, O God of our salvation, *You who are* the confidence of all the ends of the earth, And of the far-off seas.”—Psalm 65:5.

Praise God because He shows His reliable righteousness as He answers your prayers! **Pray** for Belle Center (O.) Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Monday: “And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him.”—Hebrews 5:9.

Pray that you would remember that your eternal salvation comes not from you, but from Christ.

Tuesday: “. . . called by God as High Priest ‘*according to the order of Melchizedek,*’ of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.”—Hebrews 5:10-11.

Pray for sharp hearing, to recognize and to obey the true Word of Christ when read, sung, or spoken. **Pray** for Bloomington (Ind.) Reformed Presbyterian Church, pastored by Dr. Holdeman and Adam Niess.

Wednesday: “For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need *someone* to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food.”—Hebrews 5:12.

Pray for constant, regular spiritual growth in your life and in the believers around you, that you may progress from spiritual milk to solid spiritual food, and gain the nourishment thereof.

Thursday: “For everyone who partakes *only* of milk *is* unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.”—Hebrews 5:13.

Pray for your pastor to be a gourmet chef in providing your congregation a balanced spiritual diet of the Word and teaching, and that you would come to appreciate all of its flavors. **Pray** for our brothers and sisters in China.

Friday: “But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, *that is,* those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.”—Hebrews 5:14.

Pray that God would help you to submit your senses to Him for the ability of great spiritual discernment. **Pray** for our brothers and sisters in South Sudan.

Saturday: “Therefore, leaving the discussion of the elementary *principles* of Christ, let us go on to perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, of the doctrine of baptisms, of laying on of hands, of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.”—Hebrews 6:1-2.

Pray for the physical and also spiritual children of the Church, that they would learn and move forward, never backward, to the glory of Jesus Christ. **Pray** also for your pastor, that he would be encouraged in the faith, prepare a faithful message for tomorrow, and preach it with power and love.

Atlanta Presbyterian Fellowship

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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 122:1

*The Invocation

*Psalm 106A

“O Praise the Lord! O Thank the Lord!”

Scripture Reading (pp. 89-90)

Numbers 17

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Text (p. 694)

Hebrews 4:14-5:11

The Sermon

“Christ as Priest” (Part 1)

*Prayer

*Psalm 134A

“Lo, With Praises to Jehovah”

*Benediction

** 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

“Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.”—*John 17:17*.

“But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.”—*Matthew 4:4*.

“Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.”—*Matthew 13:9*.

“The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.”—*Psalms 19:7*.

Q. 10. How did God create man?

A. God created man male and female, after his own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness, with dominion over the creatures.

Q. 11. What are God’s works of providence?

A: God’s works of providence are, his most holy, wise, and powerful preserving and governing all his creatures and all their actions.

“Christ as Priest” Hebrews 5:5-6

Theme: God appoints His Son as our eternal priest.

I. God’s Appointment

A. why was this necessary/important?

1. it fits the pattern of the humility/servanthood of a priest
2. God’s assurance of acceptance
 - a. we must come according to His appointment
 - b. akin to Aaron’s priesthood
 - c. the uniqueness of the situation tells us the seriousness

B. His Son

1. Jesus is the Son of God
2. particular significance
 - a. this is one part of Jesus being chosen to be the Mediator
 - b. Jesus was “begotten” from the dead—Acts 13:33
 - c. He came to do His Father’s will

II. Christ’s Priesthood

A. He offered up Himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice

1. the merely human priests could not do this
2. the substitutionary atonement

B. . . . to reconcile us to God

1. a priest came near to God
2. this is what Christ has done, for us
 - a. He is our peace—Ephesians 2
 - b. He has made reconciliation—Hebrews 2:17

III. Eternal Priesthood

A. Melchizedek (Genesis 14; Hebrews 6:20; 7:1ff; Psalm 110)

B. the significance of His eternal priesthood

Application: are you trusting in Jesus’ sacrifice for you?