

Devotional for Each Day of the Week

Sunday: “Say to your brethren, “My people,” and to your sisters, “Mercy is shown.””—Hosea 2:1. **Praise God** for His mercy shown to His people. **Pray** for Southwest Ohio Reformed Presbyterian Church, Mason, Ohio, that it would grow and prosper; pray for the pastor, Dr. Dick Knodel, and his wife Susan, for their strength and health.

Monday: “Let her put away her harlotries from her sight.”—Hosea 2:2b. **Pray** that the church would repent of its sins, including sexual ones. **Pray** that those attending Stornoway Reformed Presbyterian Church in Scotland who have not been converted or professed their faith would soon do so.

Tuesday: “For she did not know that I gave her grain, new wine, and oil, and multiplied her silver and gold.”—Hosea 2:8a. **Pray** that you would be grateful for what God gives you. **Pray** for the Sparta (Ill.) Reformed Presbyterian Church, that it would be encouraged during this time of its being without a pastor.

Wednesday: “I will punish her for the days of the Baals to which she burned incense.”—Hosea 2:13a. **Pray** that you would be kept from idolatry. **Pray** that the many children involved with the Balliesmills Reformed Presbyterian Church in Northern Ireland would be saved.

Thursday: “She decked herself with her earrings and jewelry, and went after her lovers; but she forgot Me,’ says the Lord.”—Hosea 2:13b. **Pray** that you and your loved ones would not forget Jesus. **Pray** for Sycamore Reformed Presbyterian Church, Kokomo, Indiana, pastored by Shawn Anderson; ask the Lord’s blessing on him and the flock.

Friday: “Therefore, behold, I will allure her, will bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfort to her.”—Hosea 2:14. **Pray** for God’s grace and comfort for you and your family. **Pray** for Terre Haute (Ind.) Reformed Presbyterian Church, and its pastor, Bill Roberts.

Saturday: “I will give her her vineyards from there, and the Valley of Achor as a door of hope.”—Hosea 2:15a. **Pray** that many people would come to church tomorrow, and that they would be enabled to hope in God and His grace. **Pray** that the Lord would supply jobs to those in our fellowship who need them.

Atlanta Presbyterian Fellowship

The Lord’s Day
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Meeting every week at
472-B Paines Avenue NW
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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 99:1

*The Invocation

*Psalm 100A

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

Scripture Reading (p. 672)

Galatians 1:1-12

Pastoral Prayer

*Psalm 118C [stanzas 10-13]

“I Shall Not Die, But Live and Tell”

Scripture Text (p. 629)

Acts 4:1-14

The Sermon

“Christianity’s Intolerant Claims”

*Prayer

*Psalm 118C [stanzas 14-17]

“This is the Day the Lord Has Made”

*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

“As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.”—Psalm 42:1.

“But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.”—Psalm 115:3.

“I and my Father are one.”—John 10:30.

Q. 29. How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?

A. We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ, by the effectual application of it to us by his Holy Spirit.

Q. 30. How doth the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ?

A. The Spirit applieth to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.

Acts 4:12 “Christianity’s Intolerant Claims”

Theme: The Bible proclaims that salvation is found only in Jesus Christ.

I. Context

A. Peter and John were going into the Temple at the hour of prayer

B. the reaction

1. this preaching aroused the attention and ire of the leaders
 - a. the priests, the captain of the Temple, and the Sadducees
 - b. these leaders had these two apostles imprisoned overnight
2. the next morning, they were brought before various people

II. Peter’s Bold Speech

A. “. . . by the name of Jesus Christ . . . this great miracle was done”

B. “It is by His name that salvation comes”

C. “It is only by His name—His name and His name only—that salvation comes” (John 14:6; 17:3; II John 9-11; Galatians 1:6-8)

Observations

A. why is it that the name of Jesus is the only way of salvation?

1. there can be only one way of salvation
2. all other ways fail to meet the test

B. the uniqueness of Jesus Christ in salvation means that . . .

1. any message which fails to teach His unique claims is false
2. there are many examples of false religious messages

Application

A. WARNING: it is possible to have spiritual influence without effectual calling

1. Matthew 13:1-9
2. Hebrews 6:4-5
3. John 6:64-66

B. gladly bear our Savior’s reproach