

Devotional for Each Day of the Week

Sunday: “But those *who* seek my life, to destroy *it*, Shall go into the lower parts of the earth.”—Psalm 63:9.

Praise God for being the defender of your life!

Monday: “. . . that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.”—Titus 3:7.

Pray that someone you know who needs to remember his or her place in Christ would find great confidence in Him today. **Pray** for the Second Reformed Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, Indiana, pastored by Rich Johnston and James Faris.

Tuesday: “This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men.”— Titus 3:8.

Pray that this day would remind you that while your good works do not save you, they are a blessing to others. **Pray** for Grace Church of All Nations, Stone Mountain, Georgia, pastored by David Balzer.

Wednesday: “But avoid foolish disputes, genealogies, contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and useless.”—Titus 3:9.

Pray for great discernment in how you engage others even on the most important topics, that your time would never be spent foolishly, but only wisely and profitably. **Pray** for Selma (Ala.) Reformed Presbyterian Church, as it seeks a pastor.

Thursday: “Reject a divisive man after the first and second admonition.”—Titus 3:10.

Pray that the church worldwide would exercise proper discipline, for the glory of God, the protection of the church, and the salvation of heretics.

Friday: “. . . knowing that such a person is warped and sinning, being self-condemned.”—Titus 3:11.

Pray that you would be cautious and prayerful before taking a stand that may divide, in order to be sure that you are not actually condemning yourself. **Pray** for our brothers and sisters in South Sudan, that they would be protected spiritually and physically in the midst of a civil war.

Saturday: “When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicus, be diligent to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there.”—Titus 3:12.

Pray for a constant willingness to act when the time comes to act, and the wisdom to know when that time comes. **Pray** also that God would bring His elect to church tomorrow, fulfill their salvation, and increase their (and your) maturity in the faith.

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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 68:1-3

*The Invocation

*Psalm 106A

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

Scripture Reading (pp. 8, 11)

Genesis 16:6-14; 21:17-20

Pastoral Prayer

*Psalm 146A

“Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah!”

Scripture Text (pp. 610-611)

John 1:35-51

The Sermon

“Come See the One Who Sees You”

*Prayer

*Psalm 99C

“The Lord is King Indeed!”

*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

“And one cried unto another and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.”—*Isaiah 6:3.*

“I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.”—*John 10:11.*

Q. 1 What is the chief end of man?

A. Man’s chief end is to glory God and to enjoy Him forever.

Q. 2 What rule hath God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

A. The word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how to glorify and enjoy him.

Q. 3 What do the Scriptures principally teach?

A. The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.

We welcome to our pulpit today the Rev. David Balzer, pastor of Grace Church for All Nations, Stone Mountain, Georgia.

SERMON OUTLINE

Jesus Sees You and Knows You Even in the Wilderness

The pattern here is that one person brings someone to Jesus whom Jesus hasn’t met yet, but Jesus already sees him and knows him. Jesus sees you before you see Him. The geography in this chapter is of the wilderness, on the other side of the Jordan, the wrong side of the tracks, the places you think God doesn’t see or care about.

Jesus is the God of Adam in the Garden—Jesus “sees” Nathaniel under the fig tree, showing Himself to be the God of the Garden who pursues His fig leaf-covered people.

Jesus is the God of Abraham who spoke to Hagar in the wilderness, the God who Sees (Genesis 16:6-14; 21:17-20)

Jesus is the God of Jacob and the true house of God (Genesis 28:10-17)

Jesus is the God of Moses who met with him in the wilderness in the pillar of cloud and fire—Where is the Shekinah glory of God “staying”? God’s glorious presence moved around in the wilderness in Numbers 9:15-20, and the Israelites followed Him. True Israelites follow Jesus, the God of Israel to whom the Law and the Prophets point.

Do you think you’re in a wilderness and God doesn’t even see you? Perhaps even the wilderness of your own sin?

How can you take comfort in the fact that Jesus sees me, even in your sin? Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! It is finished!