

WORSHIP GUIDE: SUNDAY AM JANUARY 29th, 2023 – 10:15am

Prioritizing the Presence of God

Welcome: [Pastor Steve]

- After introducing Haggai last week, we will look today at Haggai 1:1-11, which include the first 2 prophecies/oracles in this book.
- As we focus on our God together, we will elevate greatness of the presence of God. Security is found in Him and so we ought to run to and prioritize His presence.

Prayer of Thanks and Petition: [Pastor Steve]

SECURITY IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Congregational Song: Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Christ, the sure and steady anchor
In the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow through me
And my sails have all been torn.
In the suff'ring, in the sorrow,
When my sinking hopes are few,
I will hold fast to the anchor;
It shall never be removed.

Christ, the sure and steady anchor
While the tempest rages on,
When temptation claims the battle
And it seems the night has won;
Deeper still then goes the anchor
Though I justly stand accused;
I will hold fast to the anchor;
It shall never be removed.

Christ, the sure and steady anchor
Through the floods of unbelief;
Hopeless somehow, O my soul,
Now lift your eyes to Calvary.
This, my ballast of assurance;
See His love forever proved;
I will hold fast to the anchor;
It shall never be removed.

Christ, the sure and steady anchor
As we face the wave of death,
When these trials give way to glory,
As we draw our final breath;

We will cross that great horizon,
Clouds behind and life secure,
And the calm will be the better
For the storms that we endure.

Congregational Song: Like a River Glorious

Like a river glorious is God's perfect peace,
Over all victorious, in its bright increase;
Perfect, yet it floweth fuller every day,
Perfect, yet it groweth deeper all the way.

*Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest
Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.*

Hidden in the hollow of His blessed hand,
Never foe can follow, never traitor stand;
Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care,
Not a blast of hurry touch the spirit there.

*Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest
Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.*

Every joy or trial falleth from above,
Traced upon our dial by the Sun of Love;
We may trust Him fully, all for us to do;
They who trust Him wholly find Him wholly true.

*Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest
Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.*

PRIORITIZE THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Read Psalm 84 [Pastor Bernie]

How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

²My soul longs, yes, faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy
to the living God.

³Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.

⁴Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise! *Selah*

⁵ Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion. ^[b]
⁶ As they go through the Valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.
⁷ They go from strength to strength;
each one appears before God in Zion.
⁸ O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob! *Selah*
⁹ Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!
¹⁰ For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
¹¹ For the Lord God is a sun and shield;
the Lord bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold
from those who walk uprightly.
¹² O Lord of hosts,
blessed is the one who trusts in you!

Sing Psalm 84 – In your presence

Lord, I dearly love Your presence
more than words can ever tell;
how I yearn to see the beauty
of the courts in which You dwell.
Even sparrows there find refuge;
there the swallow rears her young;
what a joy to have a home there,
where unending praise is sung.

Happy are the pilgrim people
pressing on to greater things,
finding water in the wasteland,
making it a place of springs;
on they go with mounting vigor
till they stand before Your throne;
God of Jacob, guard Your servants;
make Your lasting kindness known.

In the hearts of all the faithful,
grace and glory are revealed—
lavish gifts You give so freely,
mighty Lord, our Sun and Shield.
Better humble, godly service
than a home where sin holds sway;

better one day in Your presence
than a thousand far away.

Congregational Song: Nearer My God to Thee

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me,
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

Then, with my waking thoughts bright with thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs my song I'll raise;
So by my woes to be
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

Or if on joyful wing, breaking the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot, upward I fly,
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee;
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

Children 3yr-K5 dismissed to Jr. Church

Message: Haggai 1:1-11

The Command to Rebuild the Temple

1 In the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, on the first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the hand of Haggai the prophet to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest: ²“Thus says the Lord of hosts: These people say the time has not yet come to rebuild the house of the Lord.” ³Then the word of the Lord came by the hand of Haggai the prophet, ⁴“Is it a time for you yourselves to dwell in your paneled houses, while this house lies in ruins? ⁵Now, therefore, thus says the Lord of hosts: Consider your ways. ⁶You have sown much, and harvested little. You eat, but you never have enough; you drink, but you never have your fill. You clothe yourselves, but no one is warm. And he who earns wages does so to put them into a bag with holes.

⁷“Thus says the Lord of hosts: Consider your ways. ⁸Go up to the hills and bring wood and build the house, that I may take pleasure in it and that I may be glorified, says the Lord. ⁹You looked for much, and behold, it came to little. And when you brought it home, I blew it away. Why? declares the Lord of hosts. Because of my house that lies in ruins, while each of you busies himself with his own house. ¹⁰Therefore the heavens above you have withheld the dew, and the earth has withheld its produce. ¹¹And I have called for a drought on the land and the hills, on the grain, the new wine, the oil, on what the ground brings forth, on man and beast, and on all their labors.”

Congregational Response: Seek Ye First

And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and ye shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia

Closing Announcements: [Pastor Steve]

- Tonight at 6:00pm: Missions Emphasis
- Next Sunday, February 5th, Deacon Care Groups