

# WORSHIP GUIDE – Sunday AM, July 3, 2022 – 10:15am

## *Godliness before the World*

**Welcome:** [Pastor Bernie]

- Today worship service focus: Godliness before the world
- Message from I Peter 2:11-12 –These verses make the connection between our personal godliness and our public witness, instructing us how as God’s people we are to conduct our lives before the world. In doing so today, we want to:
  - Remember our standing in Christ
  - Remember our status in this world

### **REMEMBER YOUR STANDING IN CHRIST**

**Congregational Song:** How firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word  
What more can He say than to you He hath said  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled

Fear not, I am with thee; oh be not dismayed  
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand

When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie  
My grace all sufficient shall be thy supply  
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake

**Congregational Song:** Complete in Thee

Complete in Thee! no work of mine  
May take, dear Lord, the place of Thine;  
Thy blood hath pardon bought for me,  
And I am now complete in Thee.

Complete in Thee! no more shall sin,  
Thy grace hath conquered, reign within;  
Thy voice shall bid the tempter flee,  
And I shall stand complete in Thee.

*Yea, justified! O blessed thought!  
And sanctified! Salvation wrought!  
Thy blood hath pardon bought for me,  
And glorified, I too, shall be!*

Complete in Thee--each want supplied,  
And no good thing to me denied;  
Since Thou my portion, Lord, wilt be,  
I ask no more, complete in Thee.

Dear Savior! when before Thy bar  
All tribes and tongues assembled are,  
Among Thy chosen will I be,  
At Thy right hand, complete in Thee.

*Yea, justified! O blessed thought!  
And sanctified! Salvation wrought!  
Thy blood hath pardon bought for me,  
And glorified, I too, shall be!*

## **REMEMBER YOUR STATUS IN THE WORLD**

### **Scriptural reminders that saints are sojourners [Pastor Bernie]**

#### Abraham experienced this

- Gen 23:4 - <sup>3</sup> And Abraham rose up from before his dead and said to the Hittites, <sup>[a]</sup> <sup>4</sup> "I am a sojourner and foreigner among you; give me property among you for a burying place, that I may bury my dead out of my sight."

#### The Psalmist testifies this

- Ps 39:12 - "Hear my prayer, O Lord,  
and give ear to my cry;  
hold not your peace at my tears!  
For I am a sojourner with you,  
a guest, like all my fathers.

#### Old Testament saints completed this

- Hebrews 11:13-16 - <sup>13</sup> These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. <sup>14</sup> For

people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup> If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup> But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

The author of Hebrews declares this

- Heb 13:14 - <sup>14</sup> For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come.

The Apostle Paul declares this

- Philippians 3:20-21 - <sup>20</sup> But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.
- II Corinthians 5:1 - For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

**Congregational Song:** Afflicted Saints

Afflicted saint, to Christ draw near,  
Your Savior's gracious promise hear;  
His faithful Word you can believe:  
That as your days your strength shall be.

Your faith is weak, your foes are strong,  
And if the conflict should be long,  
The Lord will make the tempter flee  
That as your days your strength shall be.

*So, sing with joy, afflicted one;  
The battle's fierce, but the victory's won!  
God shall supply all that you need;  
Yes, as your days your strength shall be.*

Should persecution rage and flame,  
Still trust in your Redeemer's name.  
In fiery trials you shall see  
That as your days your strength shall be.

*So, sing with joy, afflicted one;  
The battle's fierce, but the victory's won!*

*God shall supply all that you need;  
Yes, as your days your strength shall be.*

When called to bear your weighty cross  
Or sore affliction, pain, or loss,  
Or deep distress or poverty,  
Still as your days your strength shall be.

*So, sing with joy, afflicted one;  
The battle's fierce, but the victory's won!  
God shall supply all that you need;  
Yes, as your days your strength shall be.*

**Congregational Song: Merciful God**

Merciful God, O abounding in love,  
Faithful to all who draw near You,  
Hearing the cries of the humble in heart,  
Showing the cross they may cling to.  
Helpless I come, broken in sin,  
Found at the feet of Your mercy.  
Father, forgive,  
May my sin be remembered no more.

Merciful God, O abounding in love,  
Faithful to keep us from falling,  
Guiding our ways with Your fatherly heart,  
Growing our faith with each testing.  
God speed the day struggles will end,  
Faultless we'll gaze on Your glory;  
Then we will stand  
Overwhelmed by the mercy of God.

**Children 3-K5 Dismissed to Junior Church**

**Message:** I Peter 2:11-12 [Pastor Joel]

*<sup>11</sup> Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. <sup>12</sup> Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.*

**Congregational Response:** O Church Arise

O Church Arise and put your armor on  
Hear the call of Christ our Captain  
For now the weak can say that they are strong  
In the strength that God has given  
With shield of faith and belt of truth  
We'll stand against the devil's lies  
An army bold whose battle-cry is Love  
Reaching out to those in darkness

Our call to war to love the captive soul  
But to rage against the captor  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole  
We will fight with faith and valor  
When faced with trials on every side  
We know the outcome is secure  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died  
An inheritance of nations

So Spirit come put strength in every stride  
Give grace for every hurdle  
That we may run with faith to win the prize  
Of a servant good and faithful  
As saints of old still line the way  
Retelling triumphs of His grace  
We hear their calls and hunger for the day  
When with Christ we stand in glory

**Closing Announcements:** [Pastor Bernie]

**Summer Children's Gospel Outreach**

- Wednesday July 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00-8:00 – City wide canvassing effort
- July 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> – Nightly from 6:15-8:15pm.
  - Next Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup>, all kids through 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be invited to go out during the message time for a special VBS Primer.
  - Still needs for specific areas to serve: You can go to the table in the back, wristbands are available there. Sign up for specific way to minister.
  - Shirts will be available next Sunday morning – Payments can be collected today or next Sunday.
  - Invite Cards! Pick up several at the table and strategize this week who and how you will give invitations.
- July – 20<sup>th</sup> – follow up visits

Church Picnic at Community Park - July 10<sup>th</sup>, following the morning service. We'll send an email out on Tuesday with details on what food items you should bring to the picnic.

Nominations for deacon and clerk are posted. Annual mtg. is July 17<sup>th</sup>

## **Closing Prayer** [Pastor Bernie]