

If the essence of worship is satisfaction in God, then worship cannot be a means to anything else. You simply cannot say to God, "I want to be satisfied in You so I can have something else."

John Piper

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Q 21. What is true faith?

A. True faith is a sure knowledge whereby I accept as true all that God has revealed to us in His Word.[1] At the same time it is a firm confidence[2] that not only to others, but also to me,[3] God has granted forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness, and salvation,[4] out of mere grace, only for the sake of Christ's merits.[5] This faith the Holy Spirit works in my heart by the gospel.[6]

[1] Joh. 17:3; Joh. 17:17; Heb. 11:1-3; Jam. 2:19. [2] Rom. 4:18-21; Rom. 5:1; Rom. 10:10; Heb. 4:16. [3] Gal. 2:20. [4] Rom. 1:17; Heb. 10:10. [5] Rom. 1:1-26; Gal. 2:16; Eph. 2:8-10. [6] Act. 16:14; Rom. 1:16; Rom. 10:17; 1Co. 1:21.

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If you have a prayer request, please let me know before the service or write it on the note paper provided and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

Giving Box for April and May will be donated to Focus On The Family.

Cottonwood Community Church

April 15, 2007

Sunday School: 9:45 am

Worship: 11:00 am

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Welcome

Opening Prayer

Old Testament Reading: Numbers 21:4-9

Hymn # 193 Rock of Ages

Psa. 30:7-12 By your favor, O LORD, you made my mountain stand strong; you hid your face; I was dismayed. To you, O LORD, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy:

"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me! O LORD, be my helper!"

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness;

That my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

Hymn # 194 At Calvary

Mystery Box Message

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 2:14-17

Worship In Song

Congregational Prayer / Lord's Prayer

Our Father Who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever.

Amen.

Light and Darkness, Life and Death
John 3:14-21

Closing Prayer

Closing Hymn # 42 God Be with You

Benediction: Romans 16:25-27

Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith - to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.