

Q. 43 What further benefit do we receive from Christ's sacrifice and death on the cross?

A. Through Christ's death our old nature is crucified, put to death, and buried with Him,[1] so that the evil desires of the flesh may no longer reign in us,[2] but that we may offer ourselves to Him as a sacrifice of thankfulness.[3]

[1] Rom_6:5-11; Col_2:11-12. [2] Rom_6:12-14. [3] Rom_12:1; Eph_5:1-2.

Q. 44 Why is there added: He descended into hades?

A. In my greatest sorrows and temptations I may be assured and comforted that my Lord Jesus Christ, by His unspeakable anguish, pain, terror, and agony, which He endured throughout all His sufferings[1] but especially on the cross, has delivered me from the anguish and torment of hell.[2]

[1] Psa_18:5-6; Psa_116:3; Mat_26:36-46; Mat_27:45-46; Heb_5:7-10. [2] Isa_53:1-12.

Q. 45 How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

A. First, by His resurrection He has overcome death, so that He could make us share in the righteousness which He had obtained for us by His death.[1] Second, by His power we too are raised up to a new life.[2] Third, Christ's resurrection is to us a sure pledge of our glorious resurrection.[3]

[1] Rom_4:25; 1Co_15:16-20; 1Pe_1:3-5. [2] Rom_6:5-11; Eph_2:4-6; Col_3:1-4. [3] Rom_8:11; 1Co_15:12-23; Phi_3:20-21.



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.

Cottonwood Community Church

June 24, 2007

Sunday Devotion: 9:30 am

Worship: 10:00 am

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Welcome

Opening Prayer

Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 17:9-16

Hymn # 205 He Keeps Me Singing

Psalms 34:7-14

(7) The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. (8) Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

(9) Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack! (10) The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

(11) Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. (12) What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good?

(13) Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.

(14) Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

Hymn #206 Redeemed

Mystery Box Message

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

New Testament Reading: Romans 11:33-36

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.

**Playing Favorites
Luke 4:16-22**

Closing Prayer

Closing Hymn #42 God Be With You

Benediction:

Romans 16:25-27

(25) Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ according to the revelation of the mystery, having been unvoiced during eternal times; (26) but now has been made plain, and by the prophetic Scriptures, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith; (27) to God only wise be glory through Jesus Christ forever. Amen.