

Question 116

Q. Why is prayer necessary for Christians?

A. Because it is the chief part of thankfulness which God requires of us: (a) and also, because God will give his grace and Holy Spirit to those only, who with sincere desires continually ask them of him, and are thankful for them. (b)

(a) Ps.50:14,15. (b) Matt.7:7,8; Luke 11:9,10,13; 1 Thess.5:17.

Question 117

Q. What are the requisites of that prayer, which is acceptable to God, and which he will hear?

A. First, that we from the heart pray (a) to the one true God only, who has manifested himself in his word, (b) for all things, he has commanded us to ask of him; (c) secondly, that we rightly and thoroughly know our need and misery, (d) that so we may deeply humble ourselves in the presence of his divine majesty; (e) thirdly, that we be fully persuaded that he, notwithstanding that we are unworthy of it, will, for the sake of Christ our Lord, certainly hear our prayer, (f) as he has promised us in his word. (g)

(a) John 4:24; Ps.145:18. (b) Rev.19:10; John 4:22-24. (c) Rom.8:26; 1 John 5:14; James 1:5. (d) 2 Chron.20:12. (e) Ps.2:11; Ps.34:19; Isa.66:2. (f) Rom.10:14; James 1:6. (g) John 14:13,14; John 16:23; Dan.9:17,18. (h) Matt.7:8; Ps.27:8.

Question 118

Q. What has God commanded us to ask of him?

A. All things necessary for soul and body; (a) which Christ our Lord has comprised in that prayer he himself has taught us.

(a) James 1:17; Matt.6:33.

Cottonwood Community Church

March 25, 2012

Passion Sunday

Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m.

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Welcome

The Collect

Psalms 103:1-10

- 1 Bless the LORD, O my soul; And all that is within me, *ble*ss His holy name!**
- 2** Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits:
- 3 Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases,**
- 4** Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,
- 5 Who satisfies your mouth with good *things*, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**
- 6** The LORD executes righteousness And justice for all who are oppressed.
- 7 He made known His ways to Moses, His acts to the children of Israel.**
- 8** The LORD *is* merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abounding in mercy.
- 9 He will not always strive *with us*, Nor will He keep *His anger* forever.**
- 10** He has not dealt with us according to our sins, Nor punished us according to our iniquities.

Hymn 2: Holy, Holy, Holy

Old Testament Reading: Daniel 9:24-27

Hymn 284: Have Thine Own Way Lord

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

New Testament Reading: Luke 21:5-33

Chorus 136:

The End Part 2

Mark 13:9-23

Preparation for the Lord's Supper

Let us rehearse the articles of our belief.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into Hades.

The third day He arose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

What do we chiefly learn in these articles of our belief?

First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath made me, and all the world.

Secondly, in God the Son, who hath redeemed me, and all mankind.

Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifies me, and all the people of God.

Celebration of The Lord's Supper: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Hymn 424: Now Thank We All Our God

Congregational 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn 39: Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.