



Order of Worship

November 8, 2020

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 29:1-2, 10-11

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

All: *The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!*

SONG OF PRAISE

Belong to You

SONG OF SURRENDER

Freedom

CONFESSION & RENEWAL

All: *Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen*

Take a moment to confess your sins, knowing that he hears you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON & PRAYER

SONG OF PRAISE

Goodness of God

SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 3:18-4:1

MESSAGE

Revolutionary Family Dynamics

SONG OF SURRENDER

My Heart Is Yours

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CLOSING BLESSING

Ephesians 3:20-21

Leader: Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.



Message Notes: Revolutionary Family Dynamics

1. Paul addressed each group _____.

2. Every group is given both _____ and _____.
 - 1) Wives:

 - 2) Husbands:

 - 3) Children:

 - 4) Fathers:

 - 5) Slaves:

 - 6) Masters:

3. Each group that is called to a form of submission is simultaneously _____ in its service for the Lord.

4. The Gospel creates an environment in which things like misogyny, authoritarianism, and slavery cannot _____.

5. The result of the Gospel, when applied to relationships, is a community of mutual _____ and _____.



Questions for Gospel Reflection & Application

1. Ancient household codes gave all authority to men/husbands/fathers/masters. How do you think Paul's male contemporaries reacted to these words? How do you think women and children and slaves reacted to these words?
2. How does our contemporary culture react to the words of Colossians 3:18-4:1? Why do you think our peers feel that way?
3. Why do you think we have such a hangup with the concept of submission? Why are we offended by the idea of one person/group submitting to another?
4. What are some practical ways you can demonstrate submission in your relationships? What are some practical ways you can love others?
5. How would it change your most difficult relationships if you knew that you were fully pleasing to God in spite of what others said – or didn't say – to affirm you?
6. What are some deeply disturbing things in our current culture (like slavery in previous eras/cultures)? How does the Gospel address that evil thing?
7. Pick one of the things from the previous question. How would a full-frontal assault on that thing be received by our culture? What might be some more winsome – and, ultimately, effective – approaches to challenging that thing?
8. Who most needs to receive love and respect from you right now? What should that look like in action?
9. What are your most consistent challenges to loving and respecting those closest to you? What undermines your love and respect? What would it look/sound like to repent and trust God in this area of your life?
10. What one thing will you do with this message this week?