

## Selected Puritan Readings

“The holy Christian is the greatest miracle.

He can tell you that he was so blind—but now God has given him eyes to see *sin* to be the greatest evil; and *Christ* to be the choicest good.

He can tell you that once he was so deaf—that though God called very often and very loudly to him—by His *word* and by His *works*, by His *rods* at home and by His *judgments* abroad, and by his *Spirit* and *conscience*, which were still a-preaching in his bosom—sometimes life, sometimes death, sometimes heaven, and sometimes hell—*yet he could not hear!* But now God has given him a hearing ear, so that now he can with delight hear the sweet music of the *promises* on the one hand; and with a holy trembling listen to the voice of divine *threatenings* on the other hand.

He can tell you that once he was so lame—that he was not able to move one foot heaven-wards, nor Christ-wards, nor holiness-wards, etc. But now his feet delight, not only to *go*—but to *run* in all the ways of God's commands!”

~ Thomas Brooks

# Calvary Baptist Church

Sunday, March 29, 2020

Making Disciples for the Glory of God

## Order of Service

Call to Worship ~ Revelation 5:1-10

Song #136 ~ My Soul Finds Rest (Psalm 62)

Prayer

Scripture Reading: Leviticus 10:1-20

Song #80 ~ Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Prayer

Sermon ~ Romans 11:7-10

Prayer

Lord's Supper

Song #240 ~ There is a Fountain

Revelation 5:9 And they sang a new song, saying, “Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation.”

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## **Text: Romans 11:7-10**

Theme: God is faithful to His covenant with Israel in spite of her obstinance (Romans 10:14-21; note vs. 18-21).

- I. What then do we say about those who were not a part of the remnant (v. 7-10)?
  - A. Although they sought their own righteousness they could not obtain it (v. 7; cf. Romans 9:31; 10:3).
    1. Only the Elect receive God's righteousness (v. 7).
    2. Everyone else has been hardened (v. 7).
  - B. God removed their ability to reason (v. 8)
    1. God gave them a spirit of confusion (Is. 29:10).
    2. God gave them eyes that could not see (Deut. 29:4).
    3. God gave them ears that could not hear.
    4. Jesus spoke in parables to confound the wise (cf. Matthew 13:13; John 12:37-40).
  - C. The wicked have set a trap for themselves that will ultimately lead to their eternal damnation (v. 9-10).
    1. Their table has become a trap (Ps. 69:22).
    2. Their sight has grown dim.
    3. Their backs are bent
    4. They are eternally damned (Ps. 69:27-28).

## **Knowing God**

Romans 11:7-10

### **Doctrine (What does this passage teach us):**

Who gave blindness to unregenerate Israel?

### **Reproof (What wrong thinking does this passage expose):**

How does this passage help us in evangelism?

### **Correction (How does this passage fix wrong thinking):**

How does this text emphasize our need for grace?

### **Instruction in Righteousness (How does this passage help us to continue):**

Since God alone rescues, how does this passage contribute to assurance of salvation?