

Sermon: To the Glory of God in the New Year

Scripture: Leviticus 23:1-2, 23-25; Hebrews 10:1-4

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Leviticus 23:1-2; 23-25 (ESV)

1 The LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

2 “Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, These are the appointed feasts of the LORD that you shall proclaim as holy convocations; they are my appointed feasts.

23 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

24 “Speak to the people of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall observe a day of solemn rest, a memorial proclaimed with blast of trumpets, a holy convocation.

25 You shall not do any ordinary work, and you shall present a food offering to the LORD.”

Hebrews 10:1-4 (ESV)

I. Remembering His faithfulness

II. Proclaiming His sacrificial love

III. Abiding in His provision

1 For since the law has but a shadow of the good things to come instead of the true form of these realities, it can never, by the same sacrifices that are continually offered every year, make perfect those who draw near.

2 Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, since the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have any consciousness of sins?

3 But in these sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year.

4 For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

I. Remembering His faithfulness

▪ *Handing Down the Faith* by Christian Smith: “All the research in the US today shows clearly that parents are by far the most important factor influencing their children’s religion, not only as a youth but also after they leave home. Not clergy, religious schools, youth ministers, neighborhoods, Sunday school, mission trips, service projects, summer camp, peers, or the media. Parents. That is who matters here and now. Parents define for their children the role that religious faith and practice ought to play in life, whether important or not, most children roughly adopt”

II. Proclaiming His sacrificial love

Matthew 5:17 (ESV)

Do not think I have come to the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them

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Song: *And Can It Be*

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me?
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That Thou, my God, should die for me!

He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

III. Abiding in His provision

First, we abide in Christ (John 15)

“To preach the gospel to yourself, then, means that you continually face up to your own sinfulness and then flee to Jesus through faith in His shed blood and righteous life. It means that you appropriate, again by faith, the fact that Jesus fully satisfied the law of God, that He is your propitiation, and that God’s holy wrath is no longer directed toward you.”

Jerry Bridges, *Discipline of Grace*

"It is the death of Christ through which He satisfied the justice of God and averted from us the wrath of God that is the basis of all God's promises of forgiveness. We must be careful that, in preaching the gospel ourselves, we do not preach a gospel without a cross. We must be careful that we do not rely on the so-called unconditional love of God without realizing that His love can only flow to us as a result of Christ's atoning death."

Jerry Bridges, "On Preaching the Gospel to Yourself"

<https://worldlysaints.wordpress.com/2019/08/18/jerry-bridges-on-preaching-the-gospel-to-yourself/>

All Glory Be To Christ

*Should nothing of our efforts stand No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house In vain its builders strive*

*To you who boast tomorrow's gain, Tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn
All glory be to Christ!
All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing
All glory be to Christ!*

*His will be done, His kingdom come On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread Praise Him the Lord of love*

*Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet All glory be to Christ!*

*All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign we'll ever sing,
All glory be to Christ!*

*When on the day the great I Am The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain Is making all things new.*

*Behold our God shall live with us And be our steadfast light
And we shall ere his people be All glory be to Christ!*

*All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign we'll ever sing
All glory be to Christ!*

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