We continue steadfastly in prayer, and in the ministry of the word.

Acts 6: 4 ASV

THEY COULD NOT ENTER IN

Communion Message Sunday 6 August, 2017 A.D. (Anno Domini – In the year of our Lord) Sunday 14 Av, 5777

- Let our voices unite in prayer.
- My Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Luke 11:2
- I know effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5: 16
- I come boldly unto the throne of grace, that I may obtain mercy, and find grace to help fulfill divine calling. Hebrews 4: 16
- May I be filled with knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, to walk

worthily of the Lord unto all pleasing, bearing fruit in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God. Colossians 1: 9-10 ASV

- I declare the Holy Spirit lives inside me manifesting opportunity to boldly minister to others, in word or in deed, all in the name of Adhonai Jesus giving thanks to Elohim the Father through Him. Colossians 3: 17 ASV
- Might the Holy Spirit come upon me: that I might be a witness for Jesus in the uttermost part of the earth. Acts 1: 8 ASV

- Holding forth the word of life; may I glory in the day of Christ, that I did not run in vain neither labor in vain. Philippians 2: 16 ASV
- Asking all in Jesus name. John 14: 14
- Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as in heaven. Matthew 6: 10
- For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Matthew 6: 13 Amen.

• Let our voices unite reading scripture !

- Text: Hebrews 3: 1-19 ASV
- Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, even Jesus; who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also was Moses in all his house. For he hath been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, by so much as he that built the house hath more honor than the house. For every house is builded by some one; but he that built all things is God. And Moses indeed was faithful in all his

house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were afterward to be spoken; but Christ as a son, over his house; whose house are we, if we hold fast our boldness and the glorying of our hope firm unto the end. Wherefore, even as the Holy Spirit saith, To-day if ye shall hear his voice, Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, Like as in the day of the trial in the wilderness, Where your fathers tried me by proving me, And saw my works forty years. Wherefore I was displeased with this generation, And said, They do always err in

their heart: But they did not know my ways; As I sware in my wrath, They shall not enter into my rest. Take heed, brethren, lest haply there shall be in any one of you an evil heart of unbelief, in falling away from the living God: but exhort one another day by day, so long as it is called Today; lest any one of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin: or we are become partakers of Christ, if we hold fast the beginning of our confidence firm unto the end: while it is said, To-day if ye shall hear his voice, Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation. For who,

when they heard, did provoke? nay, did not all they that came out of Egypt by Moses? And with whom was he displeased forty years? was it not with them that sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that were disobedient? And we see that they were not able to enter in because of unbelief.

 Allow me to summarize; having the High Priest over the house of God, a faithful Son, exalted above Moses, the faithful servant; let us by

faithfulness make sure our calling to be God's sons; is unlike those who through their disobedience in the wilderness provoked the LORD, and were excluded from the promised rest.

 Let your voice sing out in praise ! Tell Me The Stories Of Jesus Hymn #24

Tell me the sto-ries of Je-sus I love to hear;
Things I would ask Him to tell me if He were here,
Scenes by the way-side, Tales of the sea,
Sto-ries of Je-sus, Tell them to me.
NEXT

• 2. First let me hear how the chil-dren Stood round His knee,

And I shall fan-cy His bless-ing Rest-ing on me: Words full of Kind-ness, Deeds full of grace, All in the love-light Of Je-sus' face. NEXT

 In-to the city I'd fol-low There take my stand, Wav-ing a branch of the palm tree High in my hand;

> One of His her-alds Yes, I would sing Loud-est ho-san-nas! Je-sus is King.

END

Continue your praise in song !

Glory To His Name

Hymn #30

- 1. Down at the cross where my Sav-ior died, Down where for cleansing from sin I cried,
- There to my heart was the blood ap-plied; Glo-ry to His name.
 - Glo-ry to His name,... Glo-ry to His name;...
 - There to my heart was the blood ap-plied;

Glo-ry to His name.

NEXT

• 2. I am so won-derous-ly saved from sin, Jesus so sweet-ly a-bides with-in,

There at the cross where He took me in; Glo-ry to His name.

- Glo-ry to His name,... Glo-ry to His name;...
 - There to my heart was the blood ap-plied;

Glo-ry to His name.

NEXT

- Oh, how pre-cious foun-tain that saves from sin, I am so glad I have en-tered in;
- There Jesus saves and keeps me clean; Glo-ry to His name.
 - Glo-ry to His name,... Glo-ry to His name;...
 - There to my heart was the blood ap-plied;

Glo-ry to His name.

NEXT

- 4. Come to this foun-tain so rich and sweet; Cast thy poor soul at the Sav-ior's feet;
- Plunge into-day, and be made com-plete; Glo-ry to His name.
 - Glo-ry to His name,... Glo-ry to His name;...
 - There to my heart was the blood ap-plied;

Glo-ry to His name.

END

• Welcome this Lords Day to worship.

Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We are bound to give thanks to God always as brethren, in the churches of God. II Thessalonians 1: 2-4 ASV

 Sunday last I asked if you believed the message. Forty questions; 1-20 identified to whom the arm of Jehovah has been revealed, 21–40 identified backsliding hearts. A guilty verdict was disobedience, provoking our LORD.

- Take heed, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, parting you from the LORD. Exhort one another daily, while it is called To day, lest any of you be hardened through deceitfulness of sin. While it is To day, if you will hear His voice, and harden not your hearts as in the provocation of your fathers in the wilderness, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness, and could not enter into His rest, because of unbelief.
- Allow me to summarize; our fathers, chosen of

Jehovah, had evil hearts filled with unbelief, demonstrating disobedience, which kept them from entering in the Promised Land. Jehovah was grieved with that generation because they always err in their heart; and had not known His ways. So in His wrath, they were kept from entering in. Will everyone who errs in their heart be kept from entering in? The Hebrew writer says; Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and to-day, yea and for ever. Be not carried away by divers and strange teachings: for it is good that the heart be established by grace; not by

meats, wherein they that occupied themselves were not profited. We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat that serve the tabernacle. For the bodies of those beasts whose blood is brought into the holy place by the high priest as an offering for sin, are burned without the camp. Hebrews 13: 8-11 ASV Obedient Christian love is blessed of Jehovah!

 Here only is the name Apostle directly given to our Lord. The word literally translates, one who is sent forth. So, Jesus is the supreme

ambassador of God. An ambassador is clothed with all the power and authority of the country and the king who sends him. On one occasion of the king of Syria, Antiochus Epiphanes, invaded Egypt. Rome desired to stop him. Rome sent Popillius, an envoy to tell Antiochus to abandon the invasion. Popillius caught up with him on the border of Egypt. Antiochus amd Popillius talked of this and that for they had known each other in Rome. Popillius had not the vestige of an army with him, not even a guard, no force at all. Finally Antiochus asked

him why he had come. Quietly Popillius told him that he had come to tell him that Rome wished him to abandon the invasion and go home. "I will consider it," said Antiochus. Popillius smiled a little grimly; took his staff and drew a circle in the earth around Antiochus. "Consider it," he said, "and come to your decision before you leave that circle." Antiochus thought for a few seconds and then said; "I will go home." Popillius himself had not the slightest force available; but behind him was the power of Rome. The ambassador is clothed with the

authority of the empire or kingdom from which he came. So Jesus came from God, clothed with the power of God. All of God's grace and mercy and love and power were in His ambassador. So Jesus came with the voice of God; in Him God speaks; in listening to Him we hear the voice of God.

 Jesus is the Great High Priest. What does that mean? The word literally translates, bridge builder. The priest builds a bridge between man and God. To do that he must know man and

God. Jesus can represent man because he was Immanuel, God with us; and in Him man approaches God. In a sense that is the reason the Hebrew writer refers to his friends as sharers in heavens calling. The invitation, the summons, the call that comes to be a Christian has double direction. It is a call from heaven, and is calling to heaven. It is a voice which comes from God and calls us to God. It is a call which demands concentrated attention because of both its origin and its destination, its source and its purpose. Can you afford to give a

disinterested glance to an invitation to God from God?

 If you have made confession with your mouth; Jesus is Lord, believe in your heart God raised Him from the dead, and have been obedient in baptism, you are invited to partake of the Lords Supper.

 Let voices unite in an Intimate Prayer for Breaking of Bread.

- Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Luke 11: 2
- I come boldly unto the throne of grace, to find help in time of need. Hebrews 4: 16
- Asking all in Jesus name. John 14: 14
- Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Psalm 51: 2
- I have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3: 23

- O God, blot out my transgression. Psalm 51: 1
- Conscious of mine iniquity; my sin is continually before me. Psalm 51: 3
- Against thee only have I sinned, and done evil. Psalm 51: 4
- Jesus took bread, blessed, and brake it. He said, Take, eat; this is my body. Matthew 26: 26
- My body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of Me. Luke 22: 19

- Jesus took a cup, gave thanks, saying, Drink ye all of it; for this is My blood of the covenant, poured out for remission of sins. Matthew 26: 27-28
- God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3: 16
- I like sheep have gone astray; I have turned to my own way; and Jehovah has laid on Jesus my iniquity. Isaiah 53: 6

- Jesus has borne my griefs, carried my sorrows; was wounded for my transgressions, and bruised for my iniquities; the chastisement of my peace was upon Him; and with His stripes I am healed. Isaiah 53: 4-5
- Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as in heaven. Matthew 6: 10
- For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Matthew 6: 13 Amen.

Celebrate Breaking of Bread

Praise God singing the Doxology:

Praise, God, from whom all bless-ings flow, Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low; Praise Him a-bove, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost! A-men.

- Let voices unite in a Benediction Prayer
- I declare I will get understanding with truth; if error is present I will correct it; then do whatever it takes to change and live however I must to make the change complete.

You are invited to join us!

Lord willing, we study doctrine and pray every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.