

Sunday Gathering Liturgy

Forgetful and Fruitful,
Genesis 41:1-57 - Bradley
Bell

May 29, 2022

Genesis 37-50: Worst Thing,
Best Thing

Length
in mins

Audio/
Visual Band Person Vocals

0:00 Call to Worship - 1 Samuel 2:2-3, 8-10

Antioch is a church that's seeking to cultivate intentional gospel relationships. Because of that, we can come into a gathering like this with honesty about where we're at. Maybe like the story of Joseph that we'll read today, this morning when you were looking in the mirror getting ready, you were also preparing for others to see you in a certain light. But the God who sees you fully, invites you to come into his light.

This was a hard week. There were heavy things that happened in our nation, our denomination, and the life of our church. Maybe you are carrying the weight of some of those things, and all the commentary that goes around with them. But for the next few moments, let's choose to bring our hearts and to give our ears to the One whose voice matters most. Hear the word of the Lord from Hannah's prayer in 1 Samuel 2:

2 "There is no one holy like the Lord;
there is no one besides you;
there is no Rock like our God.

3 "Do not keep talking so proudly
or let your mouth speak such arrogance,
for the Lord is a God who knows,
and by him deeds are weighed.

Congregation:

8 He raises the poor from the dust
and lifts the needy from the ash heap;
he seats them with princes
and has them inherit a throne of honor.

9 He will guard the feet of his faithful servants,
but the wicked will be silenced in the place of darkness.

"It is not by strength that one prevails;

10 those who oppose the Lord will be broken.

The Most High will thunder from heaven;

the Lord will judge the ends of the earth.

"He will give strength to his king

and exalt the horn of his anointed." 1 Samuel 2:2-3, 8-10, NIV

Lord Jesus, we believe that you are that anointed King. And it is by your grace alone that we are raised from the dust. Be exalted in this place!

0:00 *Grace Alone* [Default Arrangement in D]

0:00 Confession - 1 John 4:2

Antioch is a church that's seeking to display Christ's glory. Therefore when we read that Pharaoh asked, "Can we find a discerning and wise man, in whom there is the Spirit of God?" we answer, "Yes, we know that guy!" In 1 John 4 we read,

By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, 1 John 4:2

So let's make this our confession this morning, from the Nicene Creed:

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages,
God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made;
of the same essence as the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and was made human.
He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried.
The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again with glory
to judge the living and the dead.
His kingdom will never end.

Amen!

0:00 *Turn Away From Sin and Sorrow* [Default Arrangement in A]

0:00 *O Lord My Rock And My Redeemer* [Default Arrangement in D]

0:00 **Evidence of Grace - ESL**

0:00 **Sermon - Genesis 41:1-57**

0:00 **Communion - 1 Corinthians 11:23-28**

0:00 *Sovereign Over Us* [Default Arrangement in B]

0:00 *I Have To Believe* [Default Arrangement in A]

0:00 Benediction - 2 Corinthians 13:14

You may be seated. Thank you for joining us in today's gathering! We hope that you have experienced the welcome of Jesus.

Family Groups - This gathering is only a secondary part of the life of Antioch. We would love to have you in one of our Family Groups, which meet in homes throughout the week in order for us to grow in the context of deep relationships. If you would like to join one of them, there is info in the hallway, or talk with one of us and we'll make a direct connection for you.

Giving & Visitors - Also now is our time for giving—ushers please come forward. If you are a visitor with us this morning please grab a visitor card from the basket so that we can get to know you more. You can give it to someone with a lanyard or leave it in your seat, and the pen is yours to keep.

Antioch members, remember that giving is part of how we participate in God's mission. If you prefer to give digitally, visit our website or find us on GivApp.

Announcements

For everyone, here are a few ways to take the next steps (which first and always include specific ways you can serve—we encourage you to see the servant's wall in the hallway after the gathering as there are numerous new needs listed there):

- 1) 9 AM Classes - Today we began the six-week study in Galatians. If you missed this morning you can still join in at anytime. Childcare is provided.
- 2) MCT - Meets Thursday at the Groce's - 7PM - This is a reminder for advocates and an open invitation for anyone who is interested in this ministry. If you have questions see Pastor Robbie Gouge.
- 3) Youth camp - Please remember to be in prayer for our youth this week as they go to camp.

We begin each gathering with a call to worship and we end with a benediction, which is simply a reminder that we are blessed to be a blessing. For today's benediction, we will be offering a prayer of blessing to Weston and Lydia Cronan, as today is their last Sunday at Antioch. Weston and Lydia, we invite you to stand here at the front as the church gathers around you. Bill Stayton will be leading us in prayer.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Let's say this together: We are sent.