

Scripture Reading

Matthew 15:21-28

Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon.

A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is suffering terribly from demon-possession."

Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, "Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us."

He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel."

The woman came and knelt before him. "Lord, help me!" she said. He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to their dogs." "Yes, Lord," she said, "but even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table."

Then Jesus answered, "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

Sermon Resources

An alternate way of thinking about God's relation to the world avoids the tremendous difficulties of the conventional view. Furthermore, it better represents the Biblical idea of God. We shall call it the "open view of God."

The central claim of this alternative view is that God's experience of the world is open rather than closed. God's experience does not consist of one timeless intuition. He does not have one eternal perception of all reality, past and future. Instead, He responds to developments and changes in the world as they occur. Accordingly, God is open to new experiences and receives new stimuli. He continuously assimilates new data. God does not have once and for all the entire value of the creaturely world. He acquires the value of creaturely events as they happen, as they come into existence.

Furthermore, God's experience is open in only one sense, which further distinguishes His experience from ours. Creaturely knowledge can diminish as well as grow. We not only learn, but we also forget. And what we do remember we never remember perfectly. In contrast, God's memory is perfect. What He experiences He fully retains in His consciousness forever. Not one detail is ever lost. God's memory is therefore the infallible register of the past. His memory is the one place where all that has ever happened is retained in the full vividness of its concrete actuality. In only one sense, then, is God's experience open. It can only increase, never decrease. The open view of God, therefore, in no sense comprises the qualitative distinction between divine and creaturely reality. It stands squarely in the tradition that emphasizes God's transcendence of the creaturely world.

—*The Openness of God*, Richard Rice

City Church Announcements

A+ Adventist Children's Center. Are you or anyone you know looking for a safe and nurturing environment for your child while you are at work? Look no farther! The A+ Adventist children's Center, sponsored by the Glendale City SDA Church, could be the place for you. We are starting our 26th year of operation, and are conveniently located on the corner of California and Isabel Streets in Glendale. We provide classes for children aged 18 months to 1st grade. Pre-school hours are 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Kindergarten and 1st grade classes are 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Before and after-school care is available. Classes start August 28th. **Enroll now; classes are filling up fast.** Call 818-241-9353 for more information. We hope to see you soon!

Sunshine Singer Sign-ups! Children's Choir sign-ups the Narthex TODAY! After worship service.

Display Case. Have you signed up yet? We urgently need names of more individuals willing to lend us mementos from their lives with photos, diplomas, and other personal memorabilia, to be displayed for a 2-week period. Everyone's story is valued! Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex or contact the Church office.

Camp Cedar Falls. Come for a weekend away with your church family in the woods. Friday night through Sunday, October 20 - 22, 2006. Please pick up a registration form in the Narthex or download the form from our website <http://www.glendalecitysda.com> under "Latest News."

* All bulletin submissions must be in by Wednesday noon to be included in the upcoming bulletin. Submission after this deadline will be included in the following week's bulletin.

Churches Without Walls

Congratulations to our first CERT graduates! Due to the overwhelming success of the first training, we are now reserving spots for our next class in September. If interested, please be open to taking the class on a weeknight or Sunday for four consecutive weeks. Contact Marcel Schwantes to RSVP, schwanma@ah.org or 818.409.8209.

Upcoming Sermons

September 2	"The Case for Missions"	Mitchell Henson
September 9	"The Mission At Home"	Mitchell Henson
September 16	Power Sabbath	Hyveth Williams

Sunset tonight – 7:28 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 7:28 p.m.

Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

Prelude	"Processional"	<i>William Mathias</i>
Morning Hymn	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	No. 100
Entering of the Light	Ryan & Tiara Rabello	
Call to Worship	Mitchell Henson	
	We have gathered to worship to listen to covenant to praise your name to remember our heritage to celebrate our destiny. Oh God, we joyfully receive your grace.	
Gifts of the Congregation	Michael Quishenberry	
Anthem	"I Sing the Greatness of Our God"	<i>F. Bock</i>
Worship in Giving		
Morning Offering	Mitchell Henson	
Offertory	"Prelude in Classical Style"	<i>G. Young</i>
Children's Sermon	Denise Kasischke	
Greeting & Prayers of the Congregation	Mitchell Henson	
Prayer Response		
	<i>Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, oh hear us when we pray, Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, oh hear us when we pray.</i>	
Anthem	"Morning Has Broken"	<i>arr. A. Quintana</i>
Scripture	Matthew 15:21-28	Rachel Pereyra
Sermon	"Teaching Jesus"	Mitchell Henson
Blessing & Sending		
	The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace.	
Postlude	"Recessional"	<i>William Mathias</i>

Sabbath School Options

<u>Class</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Symbols/Leaders</u>
Beginners	0-3 yrs	Room 3	Elephant
Kindergarten	3-5 yrs	Room 4	Giraffe
Primary	6-9	Room 2	Eagle
Junior	10-13 yrs	Room 1	Lion
Teen	14-18 yrs	Room 10b	Fish
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Mitchell Henson
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	
<u>Option</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sequence</u>	

Worship Options

Sanctuary Service	Main Sanctuary	Every Sabbath
Romanian Service	Chapel	1st and 3rd Sabbaths
Armenian Service	Chapel	2nd and 4th Sabbaths
<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sequence</u>

Activities

Bell Choir	Youth Center	Friday at 8:00 pm
Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	Sabbath at 9:15 am
Pathfinders	GAMC Gymnasium	Tuesday at 6:45 pm
Sunshine Singers	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon
Bible Study	Council Room	Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Church Directory

Pastors

Mitchell Henson, Senior Pastor
Denise Kasischke, Family & Children Ministries
Michael Quishenberry, Pastor of the Parish
Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor
Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor
Dorin Lataeanu, Romanian Senior Pastor

Officers

Head Elder	Douglas Schultz
Head Deacon	Skip Foster
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner
Church Board Chair	Robert Marsh
Sanctuary Choir Director	Brenda Mohr
Organist	Kemp Smeal
Children's Choir Director	Lissie Quishenberry
Bell Choir Director	Ariel Quintana
Secretary	Victoria Lucero
Treasurer	Dean Vendouris
Church Clerk	Mindi Rüb
A+ School Principal	Jeanie Drake
Pathfinder Leader	Warren Dale

Church Office Hours

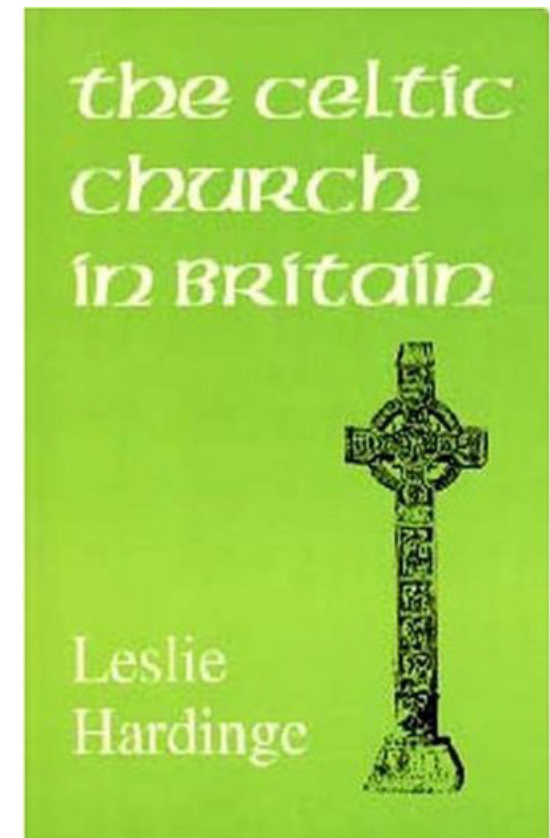
Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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One Hundred Years of Grace

"God the Judge"

1970 – 1980



This book written by former City Church Pastor, Leslie Hardinge, is a most fascinating and authoritative historical book about the Celtic Church in Britain; its beliefs, practices, and its remarkable theocracy based on Old Testament canon and the laws of the Pentateuch, including authoritative documentation that the seventh-day Sabbath was kept in Britain for centuries after the Roman Church had dictated Sunday observance. A descriptive three page book article may be seen in its entirety at <http://www.servantnews.com/sn906917.htm>.

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