

August 23, 2020

## SOVEREIGN GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

*Of Princeton, New Jersey*

### Jesus Christ

For by Him were all things created,  
that are in heaven, and that are in earth,  
visible and invisible ...

And He is before all things,  
and by Him all things consist.  
- Colossians 1:16-17

#### **Weekly Schedule of Services**

Sunday: 10:15 AM	Bible Class
11:00 AM	Morning Service
Thursday: 7:30 PM	Mid-week Service

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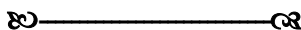
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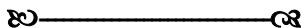
## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

10:15		am.		Bible		Class
11:00	a.m.	Service:	Hymns * Scripture	Reading * Message*	Hymn.	
Scripture	Today:	Scott K	Scripture	Thurs:	Ravi	D
Nursery Today:	Sarah M; Carol D		Nursery Thurs:	Debbie D		
August Cleaning:	Cooper Family		Grass Cutting:	Jeff M		

Lord willing next Sunday, August 30, Iyana McCoy will confess Christ in believer's baptism. We thank God for giving her faith in Christ and pray for his blessings to keep her looking only to HIM!



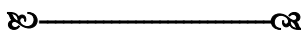
**Proverbs 15: 8: The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright is his delight.**



The religionist who worships not according to God's will worships his own.

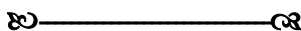


When we hear the phrase "the lust of the eyes" we are prone to think only of our eyes looking upon other things. But someone made this statement which illustrates another aspect of "the lust of the eyes"—"The eyes of other people are the eyes that ruin us. If all but myself were blind I should want neither fine clothes, fine houses nor fine furniture."



## DIVINE PARADOXES

The wiser we get, the greater fools we become (I Cor. 3:18). The stronger we grow, the weaker we are (II Cor. 12:9-10). The more we possess, the less we have (II Cor, 6:10) The more completely bankrupt, the more freely forgiven (Lk. 7:42). The more utterly lost, the more perfectly saved (Matt. 18:4). And the more like a child, the greater in the kingdom of heaven. - Copied



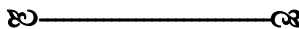
## THE DAY OF SMALL THINGS

### Zechariah 4:10

God delivered a nation from 400 years of bondage with a shepherd's staff. He slew a giant and saved that nation with a sling and a stone. He turned the world upside down with eleven simple, plain men – and the illustrations that “Little is great when God is in it” are numberless, but we must not just apply this truth to the instrument God uses, but should apply it also to the task. It is true that God uses humble men to perform great works for His glory – but God also uses His servants to teach the little children, to pastor the small assembly, to witness to one Ethiopian, to offer a prayer, to provide an unrecognized and often an unknown service! Most of us are willing to be “humble men” doing great works, but how many of us “great men” are willing to do humble work?

It is most doubtful that our Lord will trust us with any great responsibility until it has been proven that we are faithful in few things! It has been my understanding from the Scriptures that those whom God trusted with great responsibility were content with where they were and with what they were doing. Examples: Moses, David and Joseph. It would be refreshing, instead of hearing what one used to do or what one plans to do and be, to see one dedicated to being what he is and doing with joy and zeal what is at hand! Christ may come today and I could die today, but I'm not sure that He would accept my explanation that I was preparing myself for great things and would have been a teacher if there had been an opening, or a pastor if there had been a church available, or a martyr if men had still been dying, a deacon, an elder, or a church leader after I had aged a bit. Would He? Or would He ask, “What servant chooses his own task? His own place of labor? His own time of service?” Does not the faithful servant ask, “Lord, what would you have me to do?” Everybody wants to take the floor, few care to sweep it. The returning prodigal did not labor as a hired servant, but he was willing.

*Pastor Henry Mahan*



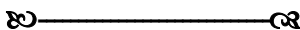
Nothing, surely, is so likely to prepare us for that heaven where Christ's personal presence will be all, and that glory where we shall meet Christ face to face, as to realize communion with Christ as an actual living Person here on earth. There is all the difference in the world between an idea and a person.

*J.C. Ryle*

## WHERE IS OUR TREASURE?

**Matthew 6: 19:** Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: **20:** But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: **21:** For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

I recall a story about a man who died. His family found in his attic bags of coins that had been there so long they were rusted and molded. Yet, that man's rusty treasure was taken from him. Only Christ and his kingdom are eternal. He is the believer's only lasting treasure. He gives us this warning "*For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.*" If our treasure is upon earth then our hearts, thoughts and motives will be for earthly things. But if our treasure is Christ in heaven then the preeminent motive ruling our hearts will be Christ's glory and the good of his people. Looking to Christ alone is to "*lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven.*"



## TAKE NO THOUGHT FOR TOMORROW

**Matthew 6: 34:** Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Brethren, most of what we worry about never comes to pass. God will provide for you tomorrow in the face of every evil as he is doing today. I pray God will make us trust that he will do the same tomorrow. If someone is anxious may God give grace and settle our hearts, minds and our whole selves entirely on Christ. May he make us sing,

Be still, my soul, thy God doth undertake  
To guide the future as he has the past  
Thy hope, thy confidence, let nothing shake  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last  
Be still, my soul, the wind and waves still know  
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below