

Because He Cares for You

1 Peter 5:5-7

- I. Humility and God's Provision

- II. Sovereignty and God's Provision

- III. Anxiety and God's Provision

From Kistemaker on "casting your cares on Christ":

Notice that Peter uses the term cast. In the Greek, the tense implies that casting is a single act. In true humility and trust in God, the Christian throws all his anxieties on the Lord. The Greek word for "anxiety" means "to be drawn in different directions." Anxiety has a debilitating effect on our lives and results from our loss of confidence and assurance. If we doubt, we assume the burden of worries and this demonstrate a lack of faith. Therefore Peter urges us to cast our worries on God and to trust in him.

The verb to cast signifies the act of exerting effort to fling something away from ourselves. It describes a deliberate act. Once we have thrown away our anxieties, although not our troubles, we know that God cares for us. In both the Old and New Testaments God's promise to care for his children is sure (Deut. 31:6; Heb. 13:5).

Also see: Ps. 37:5; Ps 55:22; Matt 6:25, 32; Phil 4:6

Welcome To Fifth Street Presbyterian Church

Our purpose for meeting together today is to meet with our Lord as a body of believers. We meet that we might hear Him speak in the reading and preaching of His Word. And, we meet to respond to His voice in our songs, prayers, and affirmations. In the ordinary worship of God we find extraordinary grace, encouragement and reason to hope. This corporate worship of God is the most important thing that happens upon the earth and we are delighted to have you with us as we approach the Father in Christ's name by the power of the Holy Spirit.

This week at a glance:

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| Today | 9:30 A.M. | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 A.M. | Morning Worship |
| | 5:30 P.M. | Choir Appreciation Dinner |

Visitors: *We would appreciate a record of your visit, which you can provide by filling out one of the visitor's cards that you will find in the pew. Please place the card in the offering plate. Thank you!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ladies: Next Saturday, June 14, you are invited to join us for a baby shower honoring Rebecca Wiesinger at 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. The mom-to-be is registered at Babies-R-Us, Amazon, and Storkland. Please RSVP through your evite or by calling Caitlin Covey or Hazel Hebert at.

For the Choir: Today we will have a Choir Appreciation Dinner at Posadas - 5:30 p.m. The choir will take a summer break the month of June.

Please Mark Your Calendar: For the month of June, the Hopkinsøsmall group will meet one Sunday only, on June 22. The group will meet at the home of Reece & Audra Morrison for more info or if you need directions.

Today is our first day with our new greetersøministry, a ministry that we hope will both help our visitors feel more welcome and help us get to know each other a little better. If you are interested in signing up as a greeter please talk with Mike or Susan Parks and they will provide you with the necessary information and put you in the rotation.

Pastor Simmons will be at a family wedding next week. We are pleased to have Tom Duke filling the pulpit in his place. Please pray for Rev. Duke as he prepares to preach Godø Word.

Prayer focus for this week:

Margret Axtell
Glen and Jamie Milham,
Ben and Hope Ferrell
Lakewood PCA, Dallas; The General Assembly of the PCA
Ian Jonesø MTW; Nathaniel Adawonuø NHMI
Way Rutherfordø RUF, Baylor (starts this month at Baylor)
Gideons

True Communion with Christ in the Lord's Supper

By J. Ligon Duncan

Reformed confessional teaching on the nature of the sacraments may be epitomized as follows: Godø sacraments or covenant signs/seals are øvisible wordsø (Augustine). In them we see with our eyes the promise of God. Indeed, in the sacraments we see, smell, touch, and taste the word. In the public reading and preaching of Scripture, God addresses our mind and conscience through the hearing. In the sacraments, He uniquely addresses our mind and conscience through the other senses. In, through, and to the senses, Godø promise is made tangible. A sacrament is a covenant sign and seal, which means it reminds us and assures us of a promise. That is, it points to and confirms a gracious promise of God to His people. Another way of saying it is that a sacrament is an action designed by God to sign (symbolize) and seal (ratify) a covenantal reality, accomplished by the power and grace of God, the significance of which has been communicated by the word of God, and the reality of which is received or entered into only by faith. Hence, the weakness, the frailty of human faith welcomes this gracious act of reassurance. The sacraments are by nature supplemental to and confirmatory of the promises held out in the word, and the grace conveyed by them is the same grace held out via the means of preaching. The sacraments are efficacious for the elect and the elect only, since their benefits are sanctificational and received by faith.

The consensus of Reformed teaching on the way in which Christ is present in the Lordø Supper may be summarized as follows: there is absolutely no corporeal presence of Christ whatsoever in the Lordø Supper. í The believer does indeed receive Christ in the Supper, but not by the mouth, rather by faith. Nor does Christø humanity come down to the believer, but by the Spirit the believer is raised in heart to receive Christ in His ascended glory.

After the service a Ruling Elder will be available at the front of the sanctuary if you wish to speak or pray with someone.