Oaks-West church of Christ

Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. • Bible Study: Following 1st Service
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.
Services are live-streamed to our website: oakswestchurchofchrist.com

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The People of God

by George Slover

"And who is like Your people, like Israel, the one nation on the earth whom God went to redeem for Himself as a people, to make for Himself a name-and to do for Yourself great and awesome deeds for Your land-before Your people whom You redeemed for Yourself from Egypt, the nations, and their gods?" (2 Samuel 7:23 NKJV)

This is one of my favorite moments in Old Testament history. It is a great moment in David's life. Instead of pouting that God has denied him the right to build the temple David goes before the Lord in submission and gratitude. Included in his prayer is gratefulness for what God has done for Israel. God has redeemed for himself a people. He has delivered them from Egyptian bondage. By this action he made a name for himself.

While Israel was blessed above all the nations Christians are blessed above all people. Israel was delivered from Egyptian bondage, but Christians are delivered from the bondage of sin (Titus 2:14) and the threat of death (Hebrews 2:15).

When God led Israel out of Egypt he did marvelous things for them such as parting the Red Sea. For our eternal redemption God commended his love toward us by the death of his Son (Romans 5:8). By the power of the Holy Spirit he revealed and confirmed this incredible story of love. Just as God made a name for himself in the redemption of Israel he also purchased a people by the blood of his Son "to the praise of his glory" (Ephesians 1:6). Jesus through his humility acquired a name that is above every name (Philippians 2:9-11).

Welcome!

When you visit our assemblies, you will be received friendly, kindly and courteously. We believe this to be the natural attitude of those who truly love God and mankind. Though you may at first be among strangers, we hope that you will come to know us well and count us as your friends. We offer Bible studies as well as correspondence courses for those interested in learning more about what God expects of us.

Important Dates

Our Next Gospel Meeting with Terry Slack is scheduled for November 1-4

Gospel Meeting - Northwest, September 20-23

Gospel Meeting - Leon Valley, October 4-7

Gospel Meeting in Cedar Park - October 11-14

If you know of upcoming events, please inform Darrell so they can be included here.

What a marvelous thought that God intervened powerfully in the nation of Israel to nurture her, patiently enduring her stubbornness to ultimately produce a Savior for the world. Thoughts of the rich blessings enjoyed in Christ should bring us to our knees and call us to say: "And what is my house, that You have brought me this far" (2 Samuel 7:18)?

Bible Reading for this week:

Monday: 2 Samuel 3:26–5:25, Luke 22:63–23:5

Tuesday: 2 Samuel 6:1–7:17, Luke 23:6–17

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 7:18–9:13, Luke 23:18–25

Thursday: 2 Samuel 10–11, Luke 23:26–49

Friday: 2 Samuel 12:1–13:22, Luke 23:50–56

Prayer Requests

Jimmy Stinnett

Jim Trammel

Judy Trammel had a partial hip replacement and will be in rehab.

Terry Berhns had a heart valve replacement and some complications afterward.

Doug Adair had a procedure done for his heart this week.

Autumn Felps is under treatment for bladder cancer.

Shut-ins: Don and Alene Simmons, Dorthy Steadman, Dinah Williams, Terry Berhns.

If you know of someone that needs to be on this list, please tell Darrell (email preferred) and provide updates so names stay on the list as long as needed.

The Oaks West church of Christ is a group of individual Christians who have been added to the Lord's body through baptism (Acts 2:38, 47; Gal 3:26, 27), and have joined themselves together (Acts 2:42ff) in an effort to do the Lord's will.

We are not a part of any larger organization – we do not follow any man-made creeds and we do not answer to anyone other than the Lord.

Our standard of faith and practice is the Word of God. We believe in the God of revelation (Eph 3:1-7; 2 Tim 3:16-17) and follow his instructions in an effort to have an ongoing relationship with him (1 John 4:7-11; 5:3).

Our times of study and worship are open to all, and our members are happy to meet with interested individuals or families for study.

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