

Please ask God's Spirit to guide you as you consider these applications:

Scan your play list. What do you sing? Or what do you listen to on your i-tunes? Much of our song list in every day usage contains songs of praise. Lyrics praise love, style, bravery, coolness, etc. The song we are looking at today specifically praises God for His redemption. How often is that the theme of your songs? Why or why not? What do you typically praise in your songs?

Stand in Christ. It is so easy for us to count on anything but Christ. He has stood before the Father for us in judgment so that we can stand before Him in delight. Identify some of the other positions you tend to stand in besides Christ. Renounce them and cling to Him alone.

Ground your repentance in the sure promises of Christ. How do you come to God in repentance? Does it result in wonder or dread? What has God done with our sins? What will He do with you? How do you know? Will He make it so you are never able to commit such foul sins again? How? When? Has discontentment robbed you of peace and joy?

Ask God to do what only He can do. Ask Him not only to forgive you, but to purify you, enfold you in His love, delight in you, and make you truly delightful in the splendor of His holiness. Base all of these requests on His unfailing love, in His good pleasure that we have in Christ.

Pray for CTR. We as a community of faith need to live confidently and humbly in the certainty of the gospel. God has empowered us to pray for one another. Pray for one another. Pray especially for the children who came to our summer camps and for the teams from Covenant and Clemson Presbyterian Church for helping us.

Question 76: What is repentance unto life?

“Repentance unto life is a saving grace, wrought in the heart of a sinner by the Spirit and Word of God, whereby, out of the sight and sense, not only of the danger, but also of the filthiness and odiousness of his sins, and upon the apprehension of God's mercy in Christ to such as are penitent, he so grieves for and hates his sins, as that he turns from them all to God, purposing and endeavoring constantly to walk with him in all the ways of new obedience.”

Psalm 130 Full Redemption



¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!

²O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

³If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?

⁴But with you there is forgiveness,
that you may be feared.

⁵I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

⁶my soul waits for the Lord
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.

⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is plentiful redemption.

⁸And he will redeem Israel
from all his iniquities.

I. God is Good and Fearful.

II. Christ Stood for Us.

III. Waiting on the Lord with Expectant Hope

Memory Verse

“The Lord himself will redeem Israel
from all their sins.”

Psalm 130:8

Taking Gathered Worship Home

It is important to spend some time each day talking to God in prayer and reading the Bible. We want to learn as a community of faith how we are to grieve about our sin and look in repentance and faith to Christ. Please read the indicated passages each day and spend some time reflecting on them and discussing them with others as appropriate.

Sunday, 8/22

Read: Psalm 130:1-8.

Ask yourself or one another: What were the main points of the sermon? How do they apply to us as a congregation? How do they apply to me? What am I going to do about it? How does the repentance of Christ empower us to do so? Review Application.

Sing: *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting* (words in order of worship).

Pray: Ask God to continue conforming us as a congregation to the image of Christ together through biblical repentance and faith.

Monday, 8/23

Read: Psalm 130:1-8; Luke 1:67-79.

Ask yourself or one another: How does Zechariah’s song continue the song of Ps. 130? Is God faithful in fulfilling His promises? What are the greatest doubts you have? How are they answered in Christ?

Meditate on the memory verse above. Ask God to use these verses to reorient your heart and mind on what Christ has done for us.

Sing: *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*.

Pray: Ask God to help us to grieve rightly about our sin. Pray that He will allow us confidence in nothing other than the gospel of Christ.

Tuesday, 8/24

Read: Psalm 130:1-8; Second Corinthians 5:1-15.

Ask yourself or one another: How does right now compare to what we will know in eternity? How does knowing what awaits us give us courage for living now? How do we know this fear of the Lord?

Review the memory verse. Work on committing it to memory.

Sing: *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*.

Pray: “God of heaven, You are gracious to give us this day to call upon Your great name. Allow us the grace to do so now. Allow us to trust solely in You and be done with all lesser suitors for our affections.”

Wednesday, 8/25

Read: Acts 9:31; Psalm 130:1-8.

Ask yourself or one another: What does it mean to live in the fear of the Lord? What are we tempted to fear instead? What about what Christ has done is able to set us free from these false fears? How can you (we) encourage one another to live in the fear of the Lord?

Meditate on the memory verse & read thru the *WLC question* on back.

Sing: *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*.

Pray: “Lord Christ, we call upon Your name. You are faithful where we are not. Work in us. Teach us to obey the Father like You do. We long for You to transform us fully and to live with You forever.”

Thursday, 8/26

Read: Galatians 5:1-6; Psalm 130:1-8.

Ask yourself or one another: How are we to await Christ’s return? What did Christ do in standing for us? How are we now to stand firm? What does that look like in your (our) life? How can you (we) encourage one another to consider this promise precious in every moment of our day? What is faith expressed through love look like?

Review the memory verse & read thru the *WLC question* on back.

Sing: *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*.

Pray: “Lord God, we cry to You again today. You have forgiven our many sins. Because of the mercies of Christ, we now wait for Him with hope. Your Son is our plentiful redemption. A day of the fullest joy is surely near.”

Friday, 8/27

Read: Psalm 130:1-8.

Ask yourself or one another: How are you waiting on the Lord? How effective is Christ’s interceding for us? How do we draw near to God? What does it mean to come to God through Christ?

Meditate on the memory verse & read thru the *WLC question* on back.

Sing: *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*.

Pray: “Lord, we long to wait on You as we should, but we don’t. We wait in a huff. We pity ourselves and pout. We doubt You and struggle with all that calls Your Word into question. Please forgive us and change us. Make us more and more like Your Son.”

Saturday, 8/28

Read: Psalm 143 *in preparation for gathered worship tomorrow.*

Sing: *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*.

Rejoice: Praise the Lord for something specific. Thank Him for something He has done. Adore Him for an aspect of His character. Give voice to the joy in your heart from being in His presence and knowing His favor.

Pray: Lord, teach us walk by faith and not by sight. Work in us by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Make us attentive to Your Word in worship tomorrow and help us to receive Your feast with faith. Build us up as a community of faith to live as Your people. In Christ’s name we pray.