

## Hymn of the Week: The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation  
Is Jesus Christ her Lord,  
She is His new creation  
By water and the Word.  
From heaven He came and sought her  
To be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her  
And for her life He died.

She is from every nation,  
Yet one o'er all the earth;  
Her charter of salvation,  
One Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy Name she blesses,  
Partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses,  
With every grace endued.

The Church shall never perish!  
Her dear Lord to defend,  
To guide, sustain, and cherish,  
Is with her to the end:  
Though there be those who hate her,  
And false sons in her pale,  
Against both foe or traitor  
She ever shall prevail.

Though with a scornful wonder  
Men see her sore oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder,  
By heresies distressed:  
Yet saints their watch are keeping,  
Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping  
Shall be the morn of song!

'Mid toil and tribulation,  
And tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation  
Of peace forevermore;  
Till, with the vision glorious,  
Her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious  
Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union  
With God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won,  
With all her sons and daughters  
Who, by the Master's hand  
Led through the deathly waters,  
Repose in Eden land.

O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we  
Like them, the meek and lowly,  
On high may dwell with Thee:  
There, past the border mountains,  
Where in sweet vales the Bride  
With Thee by living fountains  
Forever shall abide!

By Samuel J. Stone, *Lyra Fidelium; Twelve Hymns of the Twelve Articles of the Apostle's Creed* (London: Messrs. Parker and Co., 1866)

<http://www.cyberhymnal.org/hym/c/h/chofo und.htm>

## Suggested Baptist Catechism Questions:

### Question 70: Is God pleased with those who love and obey Him?

Yes. He says, "I love them that love Me."  
(Proverbs 8:17; Exodus 20:6)

### Question 71: Is God pleased with those who do not love and obey Him?

No. "God is angry with the wicked every day."  
(Psalm 7:11; Malachi 2:17; Proverbs 6:16-19)

### Question 72: What is the first commandment?

The first commandment is, "You shall have no other gods before Me."  
(Exodus 20:3; Deuteronomy 5:7)

## Morningview Family Worship

Week of June 6, 2010

## Psalm for Prayer and Praise: Psalm 119:137-152 (NASB)

- 137 Righteous are You, O LORD,  
And upright are Your  
judgments.
- 138 You have commanded Your  
testimonies in righteousness  
And exceeding faithfulness.
- 139 My zeal has consumed me,  
Because my adversaries have  
forgotten Your words.
- 140 Your word is very pure,  
Therefore Your servant loves  
it.
- 141 I am small and despised, Yet I  
do not forget Your precepts.
- 142 Your righteousness is an  
everlasting righteousness, And  
Your law is truth.
- 143 Trouble and anguish have  
come upon me, Yet Your  
commandments are my  
delight.
- 144 Your testimonies are righteous  
forever; Give me  
understanding that I may live.
- 145 I cried with all my heart;  
answer me, O LORD! I will  
observe Your statutes.
- 146 I cried to You; save me And I  
shall keep Your testimonies.
- 147 I rise before dawn and cry for  
help; I wait for Your words.
- 148 My eyes anticipate the night  
watches, That I may meditate  
on Your word.
- 149 Hear my voice according to  
Your lovingkindness; Revive  
me, O LORD, according to  
Your ordinances.
- 150 Those who follow after  
wickedness draw near; They  
are far from Your law.
- 151 You are near, O LORD, And  
all Your commandments are  
truth.
- 152 Of old I have known from  
Your testimonies That You  
have founded them forever.

## Scripture Memory for the Week: Psalm 119:151

*You are near, O LORD,  
And all Your commandments are truth.*

# Praying through the Psalms

## *Week of June 6, 2010*

### Day 1 ~ The Word and Its Author

**Read:** Psalm 119:137-140

#### **Consider:**

**For Adults:** Read these verses today and consider how God's word and His character are tied together. What can we learn about God's word when we consider it in light of His character and nature?

**Older Children:** Look at verse 140 again and read it together with Psalm 12:6. What does it mean that God's word is "Pure?"

**Younger Children:** Can you think of a person that you know that always tells you the truth? How is God like that? What does "Who God is" say about "What God says?" (v.137)

**Family Application:** Talk together about some of the attributes of God like His eternity, His omniscience, and omnipotence. After talking about each of His attributes, consider how each one is borne out in some way in His word.

**Pray:** Thank God for the wonder of who He is and how He has communicated the glory of His person and nature to us in His word. Thank Him that His word is secured by His person and for how we can rest surely upon all His promises as resting in Him.

**Meditate:** Write this week's memory verses on a white board in your home and/or on index cards that each family member can carry with them during the week.

### Day 2 ~ The Word, That We May Live

**Read:** Psalm 119:141-144

#### **Consider:**

**For Adults:** Notice how the writer of the psalm portrays himself as "small," "despised" and as one with trouble and anguish. How does he comfort himself in these moments? How could memorized scripture help you in such moments?

**Older Children:** Look at verse 144 again. What is the "understanding" that God's word can give you that makes you to "live?"

**Younger Children:** Do you ever wish that you were bigger or taller? Did you know that everyone feels "small" or "little" sometimes? (v.141) How does it make you feel to know that God is greater and "bigger" than anything or anyone who might want to harm us? Isn't it good to serve such a "Big" God?

**Family Application:** Consider together how the word of God as "Truth," "Righteousness," and the "delight of soul" were the hope of the psalmist. Consider how God's word can help your family this week and consider how it leads us ultimately to Christ, that in understanding the Gospel, we can live.

**Pray:** Thank God for how His word is an anchor to our souls in times of trial and how it leads us to Jesus. Pray that you would delight in His word this week and that it would do its healing work in your soul as you read and memorize it together.

**Meditate:** See if anyone in the family can quote this week's memory verse. Make new note cards of any of the cards from day 1 that may have been lost.

### Day 3 ~ The Word, Eternal Truth

**Read:** Psalm 119:145-152

#### **Consider:**

**For Adults:** As you read this subset of Psalm 119, notice that it takes the form of a prayer for deliverance. What is the hope in which the psalmist rests that we see articulated in verses 149, 151, and 152? What is your hope when things look impossible for you today and where is your trust? Consider the generations who have gone before and found God's word to be well tried (ESV v.140) and completely true. Remind yourself today of the sure foundation that God has laid for us in His eternal word and resolved to know it better that it would be a rock to your soul in times of trial as it has been to so many who have gone before.

**Older Children:** Read verse 150 again. In this verse, what is the only description of the "wicked" who are pursuing the psalmist? What does this suggest to you about the fundamental nature of wickedness?

**Younger Children:** How old is God's word? Do you think that it is older than Moses or Noah? Ask your parents to read John 1:1. Are you surprised? Since God's word has lasted so long and it comes from God, how long do you think it will last in the future? (v.152)

**Family Application:** Talk together about how God's word is eternal and a sure foundation for our souls. Consider how it strengthens the believer to memorize God's word and how God's word ministers to the Christian's soul in every hardship and circumstance.

**Pray:** Thank God for how His word is an anchor for our souls and though Heaven and Earth should pass away, His word stands firm and unshakeable. Ask God to help you build your life on His word and to likewise build your family on His word. Thank Him for revealing His truth to sinners in His word and thank Him most of all for sending Jesus, the word incarnate, to win salvation for all who would repent and believe according to His word.

**Meditate:** See again if anyone in the family can quote this week's memory verse. Talk about any ways that this verse has encouraged or taught you this week.

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