

June 27, 2010

The devil is a very subtle enemy. He knows the season he is most likely to succeed and displays his hellish skill of seduction in that season. As in Egypt, he seeks the child upon the birth stool, when he is newly converted. He also comes when a Christian is beset with some great affliction. He is like a thief waiting in some blind alley to attack his victim. The army waits until the castle is pinched for provisions to seek a parley. He also attacks during some notable enterprise for God's glory. He becomes a serpent in the way to bite at the horse's heels. The more public your position and the more eminent your service for God, the more dangerous is Satan's design against you. Another season of advance is when he has some object or opportunity to enforce his temptation. He takes Eve when she is near the tree. When the tree is in view the force of the temptation doubles. It is much easier to tempt when he has the presence of an object to excite the lust that lies dormant in the heart. If the Christian lets the object of temptation draw near, Satan anticipates that his scheme will soon be effective. Therefore, if it is our desire not to yield to sin, we must not walk by or sit at the door of the occasion. Do not look with a wandering eye at the beauty by which you would be taken captive. Do not parley in your thoughts with that which you do not wish to also take into your heart. Also, a season of temptation is at the hour of death when the saint is prostrate in bodily strength. The coward Satan falls upon the weak for he knows he has but a short time. He strains with all his wit and wiles as the saint is stepping into eternity. If he cannot hinder your arrival in heaven, at least he will bruise you with pain as you enter.

– William Gurnall



Proclaiming the Sovereign Majesty of God

Revival is remarkable, large, effective and, above all, it is something that God brings about. It is quite impossible for a man to create revival. Though men may prepare and pray for it, revival is the work of the sovereign God, not primarily for the benefit of his people, but for his own honor and glory. Commenting upon Acts 2:1, 'when the day of Pentecost came,' Arthur Wallis claims: 'Every genuine revival is clearly stamped with the hallmark of divine sovereignty, and in no way is more clearly seen than in the time factor. The moment for that first outpouring of the Spirit was not determined by the believers in the upper room but by God, who had foreshadowed it centuries before in those wonderful types of the Old Testament.'

– Brian H. Edwards

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*Please enter reverently and silence all communication devices.
Parents with crying children may use the conference room.*

Preparation for Worship

A Prayer of Moses the man of God.

“Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

*Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting, you are God.”*

Psalm 90:1-2 (ESV)

*Prelude to Worship..... Amelia Kelly
Glen Harper*

Chiming of the Hour

*Worship in Music Robin Kramer
Star Spangled Banner
(Francis Scott Key)*

Invocation

*“Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,
that the mountains might quake at your presence—
as when fire causes water to boil—*

*to make your name known to your adversaries,
and that the nations might tremble at your presence!”*

Isaiah 64:1-2(ESV)

**Call to Worship..... O for a Thousand Tongues
(page 76)*

**Scripture Reading..... Zechariah 1:1-6*

Confession of Sin and Pastoral Prayer

Adoration

*“Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!
For great is his steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!”
Psalm 117 (ESV)*

*Hymn..... Day by Day (page 56)
And Can it Be? (page 203)

**Scripture Reading..... Acts 3:17-26*

*Worship in Tithes and Offerings..... Amelia Kelly
Glen Harper*

Exposition

*“Then Philip opened his mouth,
and beginning with this Scripture
he told him the good news about Jesus.”
Acts 8:35 (ESV)*

Pastor Jess Smith..... Zechariah 1:1-6

Consecration

*“Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts,
kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if
one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has
forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which
binds everything together in perfect harmony.”
Colossians 3:12-14 (ESV)*

**Hymn of Commitment Revive Us Again (page 295)*

Benediction

*“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”
Romans 15:13(ESV)*

*Postlude..... Amelia Kelly
Glen Harper*

**Congregation please stand*