



Sunday, May 2, 2021 9am Service

Sermon Series: Beyond – Our Transcendent Lord

Sermon Title: "Knowing the Impassible God" - Scott Dove

Gathering Music: A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (based on Psalm 91:2; Romans 10:9, 13)

One: Let us worship God.

All: "He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust."

One: Let us confess with our mouths, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead.

All: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

One: Let us call upon our true God, believing him in our hearts, confessing him with our mouths, worshiping him in spirit and in truth.

NO ONE HIGHER

Confession of Faith¹

There is but one only living and true God, who is infinite in being and perfection, a most pure spirit, invisible, without body, parts, or passions; immutable, immense, eternal, incomprehensible, almighty, most wise, most holy, most free, most absolute, working all things according to the counsel of His own immutable and most righteous will, for His own glory; most loving, gracious, merciful, long-suffering, abundant in goodness and truth, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin, the rewarder of them that diligently seek Him; and withal, most just, and terrible in His judgments; hating all sin, and who will by no means clear the guilty...God hath all life, glory, goodness, blessedness, in and of Himself; and is alone in and unto Himself all-sufficient, not standing in need of any creatures which He hath made, nor deriving any glory from them, but only manifesting his own glory in, by, unto, and upon them. He alone is the fountain of all being...

THE LORD IS MY LIGHT

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Children's Message

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Scripture: Acts 14:8-18, Exodus 2:23-25 , 3:14, Malachi 3:6, Hebrews 13:8, James 1:17

THE LORD'S SUPPER

WHOM SHALL I FEAR

GOD IS FOR US

Benediction

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Prelude: Karen Holl, Organist

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OF THE FATHER'S LOVE BEGOTTEN (309)

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ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL (220)

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Special Music: **THE LORD IS MY LIGHT**

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD (260)

Benediction

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Discussion Questions:

- 1) Why is it so easy for us to want to contain God, to put Him in a box or to make Him like us? (Psalm 50:21)**

- 2) Does the idea of God's impassibility bring you comfort? If so, why? If not, why?**

- 3) How does the idea of God's impassibility help you to understand His love and His wrath more fully in light of the cross?**

¹From *The Westminster Confession of Faith*, Chapter 2:1-2a

Book recommendations -

- 'The Identity and Attributes of God' by Terry Johnson

'None Greater: The Undomesticated Attributes of God'- by Matthew Barrett

Impassability - "God does not experience emotional change in any way, He does not suffer. He does not merely choose to be impassable; it is intrinsic to His very being." - Matthew Barrett

Quote- " You love without burning, You are jealous in a way that is free of anxiety, You "repent" without the pain of regret, You are wrathful and remain tranquil" - Saint Augustine - The Confessions