

b. Cultivate an Absolute Love of What You See in Jesus

c. Display a Belief which Astonishes Jesus —
Matthew 8:10, Luke 7:9



Congregational Singing: "Christ Our Wisdom"

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VERSE 1

Christ our wisdom, we are humbled when You hide Your ways from us.
You have purposes unnumbered, each one good and glorious.
Help us trust when we grow weary, free us from our anxious thoughts,
Give us grace to see more clearly You are God and we are not.

VERSE 2

Christ our wisdom, be our gladness when we fail to understand
You ordained all joy and sadness to fulfill Your perfect plan.
Help us know You rule with power over every raging flood.
In our most uncertain hour You are God and we are loved.

VERSE 3

Christ our wisdom, we will follow, though the way ahead is veiled.
As we journey through the shadows, grant us faith where sight has failed.
Help us cling to Your commandments, strengthened by Your faithful word.
We will never be abandoned. You are God, and we are Yours.

VERSE 4

Christ our wisdom, we adore You for the beauty of the cross.
Once in foolishness we scorned You, but Your blood has ransomed us.
(*) Help us sing the endless mercies of Your humble heart to save.
Christ our wisdom, Christ our glory, You are God forever praised.

[repeat from (*)]

Closing Thoughts and Benediction



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Welcome and Call to Worship

Ken Hunt

Congregational Singing: "Ancient of Days"

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VERSE 1

Though the nations rage, kingdoms rise and fall,
There is still one King reigning over all.
So I will not fear for this truth remains,
That my God is the Ancient of Days.

CHORUS

None above Him. None before Him. All of time in His hands
For His throne, it shall remain and ever stand.
All the power, all the glory! I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of Days.

VERSE 2

Though the dread of night overwhelms my soul,
He is here with me. I am not alone.
Oh, His love is sure and He knows my name
For my God is the Ancient of Days.

[sing CHORUS]

VERSE 3

Though I may not see what the future brings,
I will watch and wait for the Savior King
Then my joy complete standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days.

[sing CHORUS]

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For my God is the Ancient of Days.

Congregational Singing: “Immortal, Invisible” Hymn 33

TEXT, Walter C. Smith; MUSIC, St. Denio, based on trad. Welsh ballad from John Roberts’

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VERSE 1

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes.
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

VERSE 2

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting. Thou rulest in might,
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

VERSE 3

To all, life Thou givest – to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest – the true Life of all.
Thy wisdom so boundless, Thy mercy so free,
Eternal Thy goodness for naught changeth Thee.

Scripture Reading – Hebrews 11:1-6

Brian Vaught

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Jerry Birkholz

Offertory – Congregational Singing: “The Perfect Wisdom of Our God”

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VERSE 1

The perfect wisdom of our God revealed in all the universe:
All things created by His hand and held together at His command.
He knows the mysteries of the seas, the secrets of the stars are His;
He guides the planets on their way
And turns the earth through another day.

VERSE 2

The matchless wisdom of His ways that mark the path of righteousness;
His word a lamp unto my feet, His Spirit teaching and guiding me.
And, oh, the mystery of the cross, that God should suffer for the lost
So that the fool might shame the wise
And all the glory might go to Christ!

VERSE 3

Oh grant me wisdom from above to pray for peace and cling to love,
And teach me humbly to receive the sun and rain of Your sovereignty.
Each strand of sorrow has a place within this tapestry of grace;
So through the trials I choose to say:
“Your perfect will in Your perfect way.”

Message

Pastor Alex Metras

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

DANGERS OF DISBELIEF

Mark 6:1 - 6

After numerous displays of Jesus’ power, including raising a girl from the dead, it’s easy to assume belief would be widespread in the Galilee. But it is not. Instead, Mark reveals great disbelief and its horrendous outcomes. The Dangers of Disbelief result in —

1. A Dimmed Sight
 - a. Jesus Returns to a Difficult Place — Mark 6:1; Luke 4:16-31, Matthew 4:13, 13:53-58
 - b. Jesus Returns as a Teacher — Mark 6:1-2
2. A Doubting Stance
 - a. Disbelief Shows a Bad Attitude Toward God — Mark 6:2-3
 - b. Disbelief Leads Easily to Doubt — Mark 6:3
3. A Destructive Spirit
 - a. The Ugly Side of Disbelief — Mark 6:3
 - b. Jesus Does Not Back Down from His Claims — Mark 6:4; Numbers 14:1-10, Jeremiah 11:21
4. A Dismissed Savior
 - a. Disbelief Has an Effect — Mark 6:4-5
 - b. Such Disbelief Is Worse than We Realize — Mark 6:6; Hebrews 11:6
5. So How Do We Live?
 - a. Honestly Look at Who Jesus Is in the Bible, Believe, and Pursue that Savior — Matthew 19:4-6; Genesis 1:26-27, 9:6; Romans 12:1-3