

“He Himself Bore Our Sins in His Body: The Power of Salvation”
1 Peter 2:18-25

“Our calling and responsibility to live the Christian life never hinges on or depends on the behavior of others towards us, it hinges on and depends on our dependence upon the Spirit of God and our love for and delight in God, regardless of how we are treated.”

- **“Leaving you an example....” (2:21-23)**
 - *“Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven.” (Luke 6:22-23a)*
 - *“But rejoice insofar as you share Christ’s sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when His glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.” (1 Peter 4:13-14)*
 - *“Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.” (Romans 13:8; cf. 1 Peter 2:15)*

- **“He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree....” (2:24)**
 - *“For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.” (2 Corinthians 5:21)*
 - ***Christ suffered for our sins and we need to be willing to suffer for the sins of others towards us — our pride and ego and selfishness will suffer when we act like Christ.***
 - *“We know that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.” (Romans 6:6)*

- **“That we might die to sin and live to righteousness....” (2:24)**
 - *“There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.” (Romans 8:1)*
 - *“Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.” (Romans 6:13)*

- **“(We) have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of (our) souls....” (2:25)**
 - *“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.” (John 10:11)*
 - *“My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of My hand.” (John 10:27-28)*
 - *“The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name’s sake.” (Psalm 23:1-3)*

Worship: There Is a Fountain — *Citizens*

Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted — *Fernando Ortega*

Closing Song: How Deep — *Kings Kaleidoscope*

Service Times: Sundays: Sunday School 9am/Prayer 9:45am/Church 10:30am; Mondays: Legacy Practicum 6pm;
Tuesdays: Bible Study — Women 6:30pm/Men 7pm; Thursdays: Prayer 6:20pm/Church 7pm