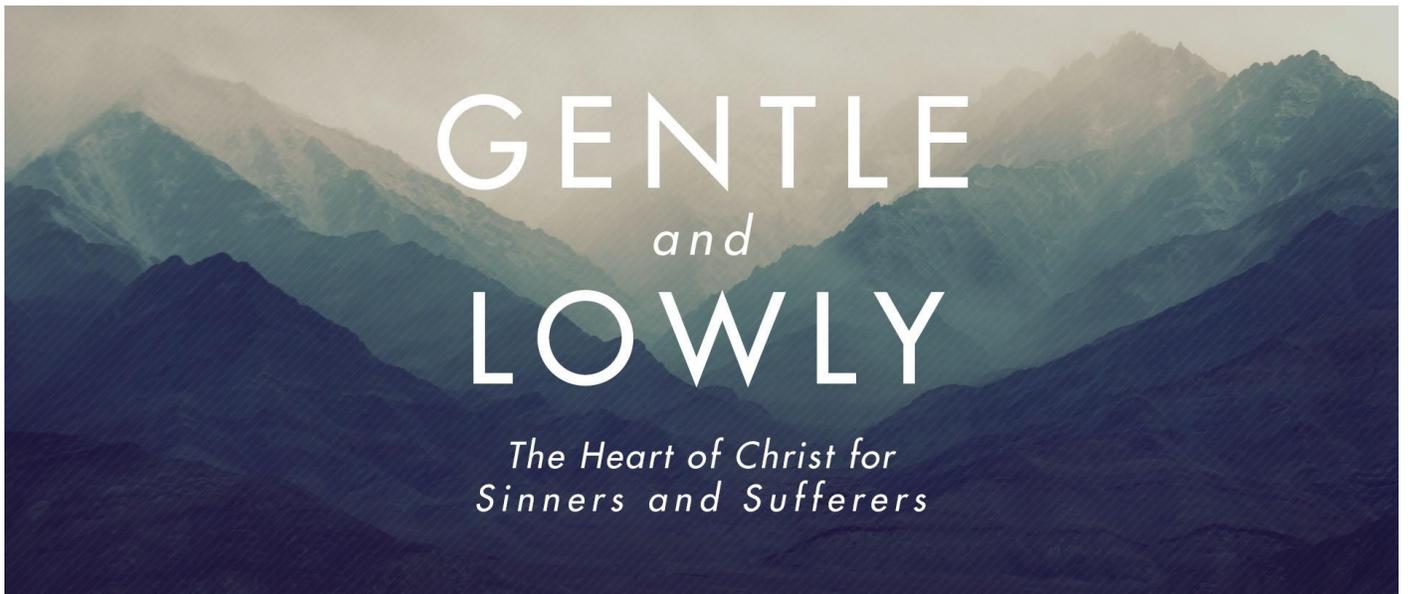


April 25, 2021

Rich in Mercy



In part 8 of *Gentle and Lowly*, we'll be looking at what the apostle Paul writes in **Ephesians 2:1-10**.

Imagine if verse 3 had been the end of the story. “[We] were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.” *The end.* But that’s not how the story ends! There are no sweeter words than the two words at the beginning of verse 4: “But God.”

- We were “dead in [our] trespasses and sins.” But God
- We were “following the course of this world.” But God
- We “once lived in the passions of our flesh.” But God
- We “were by nature children of wrath.” But God

Did God have to save us? No. God was not compelled to save us by anything *other than his merciful heart*.

Before Sunday, read Ephesians 2:1-10 carefully. Meditate on the words of verses 4 and 7.

This week’s main point: **Jesus is the embodiment of God’s mercy.** He shows us what “rich in mercy” looks like.

“If the point of heaven is to show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness, then we are safe, because the one thing we fear will keep us out—our sin—can only heighten the spectacle of God’s grace and kindness” (*Gentle and Lowly*, pp. 209-210).

Sunday Worship

Great is the LORD and worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom (Ps. 145:3).



Call to Worship	Psalm 145:1-3 (NIV)
Prayer of Praise	
Singing	Holy, Holy, Holy / Grace
Prayer of Confession	Psalm 32:5 / Silent Confession
Assurance of Forgiveness	Micah 7:18-19 (NIV)
Singing	Grace Greater Than Our Sin / I Need Thee Every Hour
Prayer of Intercession	
Singing	Ancient Words
Sermon	Part 8 of Gentle and Lowly: Rich in Mercy (Eph. 2:1-10)
Singing	Jesus, Strong and Kind
Benediction	Numbers 6:24-26

Announcements

Sunday Morning Livestream: Due to the new COVID restrictions on faith gatherings, we will not be able to meet for worship this Sunday. We will, however, have a livestream on [our Facebook page](#) this Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Church Membership: The Board of Elders is recommending that we accept Ian and Lynnette MacDonald into the membership of our church. The vote was scheduled to take place this Sunday, but with the current restrictions on gatherings, the vote will have to take place at a later date.

Thursday Live Bible Study: Pastor Jonathan is on Facebook on Thursday evenings at 6:30, doing a study series on the book of Revelation. The book of Revelation gives us a message of hope, and hope is what we need during uncertain times. (These videos can be viewed on our [Facebook page](#) if you miss them live.)

Business Meeting: Monday, June 7 will be the tentative date for our Business Meeting. It is usually held in May, but due to the current restrictions on gatherings, we are scheduling it a bit later than normal.

Reports: Committees and Ministries that are responsible for submitting a report for the May Business Meeting should have their reports in by May 10.

Last Week's Giving: Offering for April 11 was \$2,035.00. (\$580.00 by e-Transfer, \$1,455.00 by regular giving), plus \$10.00 was given toward ongoing building renovation projects.

RightNow Media: We have given everyone in our church free access to RightNow Media! It's called the Netflix of Bible studies. It also has tons of kid's episodes and movies. To sign up, visit [this link](#).

This week:

Day	Time	Event
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Worship Livestream
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Nominating Committee Meeting
Thursday	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Live Video on Facebook: Study of Revelation Worship Practice
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Worship Livestream



Church Membership

If you have been regularly attending FHFBC, we'd like you to become a member of our church. Membership demonstrates one's commitment to a local church and enables greater participation in the life of that church.

The Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour.• Agreement with our church's statement of faith and covenant.• Believer's baptism by immersion.
The Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tell one of our elders you're interested in membership.• Read a short book: <i>I Am a Church Member</i>.• Fill out a survey, indicating how you might like to serve in our church.• Meet with the elders to talk about your conversion, baptism, understanding of the gospel, and expectations of members.

Church Info

FHBC is a member of the [Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada](#), and we also belong to the Fellowship's [Atlantic Region](#). Our mission is to help people become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

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