

Richmond Hill Baptist Church
November 6, 2011, Crucified with Christ (The Lord's Supper)

Prelude & Prayer Time

Call to Worship: *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Welcome: Welcome to Richmond Hill. It is good to be back. Marisa and I & Zach and Cheryl were at the Oasis Retreat last weekend. It was super refreshing. I want to say thank you to Pat & Deanna for leading worship here and thank you to Alex Castro for leading worship at the retreat.

It is good to see you. I am super excited about our worship time this morning. If you are a guest please fill out a Connect Card. Let's greet one another.

Sing: *Mighty to Save, Indescribable, There is None Like You*

Children's Corner:

Announcements:

Offering & Offertory: *More of You*

Sermon: **Crucified with Christ**

I hope the **not a fan** series was helpful, inspirational, and instrumental in helping you be a better follower of Jesus Christ.

The call to follow Christ is a daily, it is a decision to die to ourselves with the greater goal of choosing to live for him.

We ended our series with the challenge to make this your daily prayer:
God help me live for you today!

I have several cards in strategic places to help me. I have one at my desk, one at night stand, one at the breakfast table, and one in my truck.

I need all that help that I can get. Maybe you are like me and you need a few more. Here they are!

In Galatians 2:20, Paul gives us three keys that can help us live for Christ.

Galatians 2:20:

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Three Keys to help you Unlock and Live a Crucified Life

Key #1: Let God flow through you.

Paul: Christ lives in me. That is the Holy Spirit.
We are commanded to be filled with the Spirit (Ephesians 5:15).
Do you know what quenches the work of the Holy Spirit? Sin!

Sin is like a dam. We are like the desert.
We are spiritually dry and when the rain comes the land produces amazing flowers and fruit.
When people see you: Who do they see? I wonder do they see Jesus living in you.

Let God flow through you.

Key #2: Let faith be your guide.

Paul: I live by faith.

Fear will lead you the wrong way.
Fear will keep you from stepping out in faith.
Fear will keep you from trusting God and more trusting in yourself.
Fear will keep your pride intact.
Faith will keep you humble and on tract.
Let faith be your guide.

Key #3: Let love be your motive.

Love will never fail.
Love motivated Christmas: God sending his Son.
Love motivated the Cross: God sacrificing his Son.

Octavius Winslow

(Baptist Minister, His one of the first Puritans to land on N America)

Question: "Who delivered up Jesus to die? Not Judas, for money; not Pilate, for fear; not the Jews, for envy; -- but the Father for love."

John Stott

"It is essential to keep together these two complementary ways of looking at the cross. On the human level, Judas gave him up to the priests, who gave him up to Pilate, who gave him up to the soldiers, who crucified him. But on the divine level, the Father gave him up, and he gave himself up, to die for us. As we face the cross, then we can say to ourselves both 'I did it, my sins sent him there' and 'he did it, his love took him there'.

In just a few minutes we are going to participate in the **Lord's Supper**. The Scripture admonishes us to examine ourselves before we partake in this meal.

Let us use these three keys from Galatians 2 to help us in our examination.

Key #1: Let God flow through you.

Is there any sin in your life that is hindering God's Spirit?

Key #2: Let faith be your guide.

Am I relying more on God or myself?

Key #3: Let love be your motive.

Why do I do what I do?

Season of Pray, Examination, Confession, and Forgiveness

The Lord's Supper:

If you are a believer of like faith and practice we invite you to join us in the Lord's Supper.

Would our servers please join me at the table?

The Bread

The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread,²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

Prayer: Father we thank you for giving us Jesus and we thank you His death so that we could live. As we eat this bread remind us of your great love and help us to live for you. In Jesus Name we pray Amen.

Serve the Bread – In remembrance of Christ take and eat this bread. (*Down at the Cross*)

The Cup

²⁵ In the same way, after supper he (Jesus) took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."²⁶

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Prayer: Father we thank you for Jesus and the cleansing and life that came when His life was shed for us. As we drink this cup remind us of your great love and help us to love greatly. In Jesus name we pray Amen.

Serve the Juice – In remembrance of Christ take and drink this cup. Please pass your cups to the inside row and we will pick them up later. (*How Deep the Father's Love for Us*)

Response: *Once Again*