

Wake Up Revelation 3:1-6

Getting Started

The “*Kingdom Concept*” that Ben mentioned at the beginning of the sermon is the simple, clear, “big idea” that defines how your church will glorify God and make disciples.

At Covenant Church we believe our kingdom concept is “*Gospel Restoration*.” The “*Kingdom Concept*” is also the intersection of 3 key spheres: *Local Predicament*, *Collective Potential*, and *Apostolic Spirit*.

- What do you see as some of the major issues of brokenness and some of the major areas of opportunity to advance the gospel in our city? (Local Predicament)
- What do you see as some of the unique resources and capabilities God has brought together in our church? (Collective Potential)
- What do you see that particularly focuses and energizes our leadership at Covenant Church? (Apostolic Spirit)

Digging Deeper

“I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead.² Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God. ³ Remember, then, what you received and heard. Keep it, and repent. If you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you.” *Revelation 3:1b-3*

- Where do you believe you personally, your family, your small group, and your church might be in danger of “falling asleep”?

“*Perseverance of the saints*” is a critical doctrine of grace from the Bible. It teaches us that those who are saved, that is the elect, cannot lose their salvation.

- How does that reality shape and guide the way that approach obedience, good works, and repentance?

For examples of this truth in the Scripture take a look at: John 6:39, John 10:28, Philippians 1:9, Romans 6:5, Ephesians 1:13-14, 1 Peter 1:3-5, 2 Timothy 2:14-19, and Hebrews 9:11-15

Think about it

“Virtually all of the great evangelistic challenges of the New Testament are basically calls to plant churches, not simply to share the faith. The Great Commission (Matt. 28:18–20) is a call not just to “make disciples” but to baptize. In Acts and elsewhere, it is clear that baptism means incorporation into a worshipping community with accountability and boundaries (cf. Acts 2:41–47). The only way to be truly sure you are increasing the number of Christians in a town is to increase the number of churches.” – Tim Keller, *Why Plant Churches*, 2002.

WORSHIP RESOURCE

September 15-16, 2018 | 17th Weekend After Pentecost

WORSHIP SONGS

CANNONS

Words and Music by Phil Wickham, 2007

It's falling from the clouds a strange and lovely sound,
I hear it in the thunder and rain. It's ringing in the skies like
cannons in the night as the music of the universe plays.

*You are holy, great and mighty; the moon and the stars
declare who you are. I'm so unworthy but still you love me,
Forever my heart will sing of how great you are.*

Beautiful and free the song of galaxies, reaching far beyond the
Milky Way. Let's join in with the sound; come on let's sing it out
As the music of the universe plays.

FOUND IN YOU

***Words and Music by Andi Rozier, Jason Ingram,
and Paul Baloche, 2013***

We're reaching out to welcome You God. Fill this place
again with Your song. Flood our thoughts with wonder and awe.
Give us a greater glimpse of a never changing God.

*All we want and all we need is found in You, found in You.
Jesus, every victory is found in You, found in You.*

Open wide our hearts now to Yours. Every fear bow down
to Your love, that we would see like never before.
Give us a greater glimpse of a never changing God.

In your presence there is freedom.
In your presence we are made whole.

IT IS WELL

***Words by Kristene DiMarco (2013) / Horatio Gates Spafford (1873)
Music by Kristene DiMarco (2013) / Phillip Paul Bliss (1876)***

Grander earth has quaked before,
moved by the sound of his voice.
Seas that are shaken and stirred
can be calmed and broken for my regard.

*Through it all, through it all my eyes are on you.
Through it all, through it all it is well. Through it all,
through it all my eyes are on you, it is well, with me.*

Far be it from me to not believe
even when my eyes can't see.
And this mountain that's in front of me
will be thrown into the midst of the sea.

So let go my soul and trust in him,
the waves and wind still know his name.
So let go my soul and trust in him,
the waves and wind still know his name.

YOUR WORD STILL SPEAKS TO ME

***Words by Paxson Jeancake / Music by Paxson Jeancake,
Allison Jeancake, and Brian Steckler, 2013***

Your Word still speaks to me, Your high priestly plea.
From the right hand of God through the Spirit of love,
Your Word still speaks to me.

Your blood still atones for me, though far from Calvary.
From the wood of the cross You paid the great cost,
Your blood still atones for me.

*Wonderful God on high; wonderful God on high;
Everything, You provide; wonderful God on high.*

Your grace still awakens me; breaks through my complacency.
From the wonders above to a small act of love,
Your grace still awakens me.

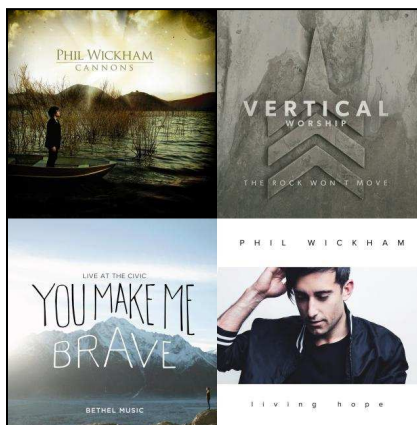
Your face, one day, I'll see; though dimly, now, to me.
In the blink of an eye, Your glory will shine;
Your face, one day I'll see.

DAILY READINGS | BOOK OF COMMON WORSHIP

SUNDAY | Ps. 81; Job 38:18-41; Rev. 18:1-8; Matt. 5:21-26
MONDAY | Ps. 97; Job 40:1-24; Acts 15:36-16:5; John 11:55-12:8
TUESDAY | Ps. 123; Job 41:1-11; Acts 16:6-15; John 12:9-19
WEDNESDAY | Ps. 15; Job 42:1-17; Acts 16:16-24; John 12:20-26
THURSDAY | Ps. 36; Job 28:1-28; Acts 16:25-40; John 12:27-36
FRIDAY | Ps. 139; Job Esther 1:1-19; Acts 17:1-15; John 12:37-43
SATURDAY | Ps. 111; Esther 2:5-23; Acts 17:16-34; John 12:44-50

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Through suffering and rejection, O God,
you bring forth our salvation,
for in Jesus you embrace our humanity
and transform our lives by the glory of his cross.
Grant that for the sake of the gospel
we may rebuke the lure of this world,
take up our cross, and follow your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.



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