

SUNDAY MORNING

7/21/19

Pastor Elshout

Pre-service Psalter 120:3, 4**

Silent Congregational Prayer

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 383:1-3**

Reading of the Law: Deuteronomy 5:1-24

Response to the Law: Psalter 1:1, 2**

Scripture Reading: Acts 9:19-31

Congregational Prayer

Giving our offerings to the Lord's service

Psalter 209:1, 8, 9, 11**

Text: Acts 9:26-31

Saul in Jerusalem

1. He joins the congregation in Jerusalem

2. He is active in Jerusalem

3. He departs from Jerusalem

Prayer

Giving our offerings to the Lord's service

Psalter 319:1-5**

Doxology: Psalter 412**

Benediction

** Please stand if able

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1*. Why was Saul's return to Jerusalem also proof of his amazing conversion?

2*. Why were the Christians in Jerusalem all afraid of Saul?

3. How did Christ use Barnabas to overcome the strong prejudice of the apostles toward Saul?

4. What can we learn from Galatians 1:18 about Saul's time spent in Jerusalem? Why is that significant?

5. Why did Saul's bold testimony regarding Jesus again bring him into a situation of having men plotting to kill him?

6. What humbling lesson did Saul have to learn by Christ directing him to leave Jerusalem (Acts 22:17-21), resulting in his return to his home town, Tarsus?

7. What important lesson is there for us in the fact the churches prospered spiritually after Saul's departure?

8. What connection is there between fearing the Lord and enjoying the comfort of the Holy Ghost (v. 31)?

SUNDAY EVENING

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Pre-service Psalter 121:1, 4**

Silent Congregational Prayer

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 37:1-4**

Scripture: Genesis 1; 2:1-4; Col. 1:12-19

Belgic Confession of Faith, art. 26 (p. 17)

Congregational Prayer

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Psalter 15:1-3**

Text: Belg. Conf., Art. 12a (Genesis 2:1-4)

The Creation of the Universe

1. The Author of creation

2. The components of creation

3. The purpose of creation

4. The preservation of creation

Prayer

Giving our offerings to the Lord's service

Psalter 285:1-4**

Doxology: Psalter 413**

Benediction

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Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1. Why is the affirmation of the doctrine of creation so important today?
2. Why is the popular notion of theistic evolution such a treacherous alternative to the creation account of Gen. 1 & 2?
- 3*. Why may we say that the words of Gen. 1:1, "In the beginning God created..." are the most important of the Bible?
4. What is meant by the phrase that God created the universe *ex nihilo*?
5. Why is the micro world a mirror image of the macro world?
- 6*. Why was Adam (man) the crown jewel of God's creation—the very best that God created?
7. What is the ultimate reason why God created the universe?
8. What important conclusion must we draw from the fact that the God of creation is also the God of salvation?

* Questions for younger children