

"A Good and Faithful Servant"

The Scriptural Setting

- Jesus' Interpretation of the End of the Age.
- Then the Three Stones on Being Prepared
 - The Measures and the Oil, The Talents, Judgement
- The Story of Talents (1,000.)
 - Comes out of Commercial Life.
 - Deals with the hard business of Investing and getting Return.
 - Account of our Responsibility to God.

God's Investment In Us

- 5-2-1
- ① Everyone Has Been Given Some Capacity.
 - Not just music or leadership or speaking.
 - Capacity for Love, for Loyalty, for Joy.
 - Each one has something.
 - We are the only ones who can release these capacities, God's richest Investment.

② There Is A Rich Diversity Throughout Life

- The Car Manufacturers in Detroit
 - Engineering and Assembly.

- So there is a rich diversity among us.

- Main doing slowly work.

- These covered table.

- "I can write my diamond that table"

Main: "Isn't that wonderful? That's more than I can do. It just goes to show what an education will do for you."

③. This is God's gift to us

- He can ask for it at any time.

The Use of God's Investment

① Just as a Banker Gets Money to Lend For Him
No One Can Be Invested.

- Madame Curie - Radium

- Thomas Edison -

- Albert Schweitzer

② Great Team Work of Our Modern World

- Building a Highway

- Vase Industry

- Great Racing Race in our own city.

③ Let Your Personal Investment

- In Farming, School or Church

- Great Veterans.

④ Every Day Offers Us Staggering Possibilities

- To be Used and to Invest
 Ourselves.

Digging Our Talents in the Ground

① See Places of Need and then to Nothing
About it is to be a Traitor.

- We become hardened to Need.

② To prostitute our capacities.

- To squander them foolishly is
far worse than throwing away a
fortune.

③ To Misunderstand the Nature of God.

- To hug this little possession will
mean that it rots and is
finally lost.

- Some people always playing it
safe.

Then Comes A Day of Reckoning

① The Faithfulness in Handling What God Has Given Us.

- With our lives, "Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant."

- This is True With Our Money

② The Unfaithfulness of Losing What God ^{needs} Needs.

Has Given Us.

- "Cast the worthless servant into outer darkness"

This Afternoon

- Later coming to discuss our K61 Program.

- This can be A Spiritual Experience.

- This Week Think About Your Financial Investment.

- Not selfishly or comparatively,

Marco Polo and Lin Stone, "I never told the half of it."

You have been given the opportunity to interpret our church program for 1961 through a friendly visitation of our congregation. Do you commit yourself to doing this as thoroughly as possible remembering that this can be a spiritual ministry.

We so commit ourselves.

inexplicable

Remembering the ~~inexplicable~~ gift of God's great love toward us and the claim of Christ on our lives, we do commit ourselves to careful and thoughtful consideration of what our part in Christ's work through our church will be. We will receive the visitors who come from our church gladly and prepare ourselves spiritually for Loyalty Sunday, November 13.

We do so commit ourselves.

First Baptist Church

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES

November 6, 1960

Nine-thirty and Eleven O'Clock

***Broadcast on Station KELO*

"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life: of whom shall I be afraid?"

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

Prelude—"O God of Bethel by Whose Hand".....Curry

"Prelude".....Franck

Choral Call to Worship—*"We Come Before Thy Presence"
***"The Lord is in His Holy Temple"

Processional Hymn—"O, Zion Haste".....521

Invocation

Lord's Prayer and Gloria

SHE IS HIS NEW CREATION

Reading of the Holy Scriptures—Matthew 25: 14-30

Choral Call to Prayer—"Prayer is the Soul's Sincere Desire"

Pastoral Prayer

Choral Response—*"Hear Me, O God"

***"Bow Down Thine Ear"

Anthem—*"Lord, for Thy Tender Mercies' Sake".....Farrant

***"Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem".....Maunder

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem,
Praise thy God, O Zion,
For He hath made fast the bars of thy gates,
And hath blessed thy children within thee.
The Lord is gracious, and full of compassion,
Slow to anger, and of great goodness.
The Lord is good to all,
And His tender mercies are over all His works.
All thy works praise Thee, O Lord,
And Thy saints give thanks unto Thee.
The valleys stand so thick with corn,
That they laugh and sing.
Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem,
Praise thy God, O Zion.

WITH HIS OWN BLOOD HE BOUGHT HER

Christian Greetings

Statement by Mr. Norman Wilson, Chairman of the Church Loyalty Program

Receiving our Tithes and Offerings

Organ Offertory—"Largo".....Marsh

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

FROM HEAVEN HE CAME AND SOUGHT HER

Vocal Solo—"My Task".....Ashford

Mrs. Firman Early, soprano

Sermon by Pastor Fredrikson

"The Good and Faithful Servant"

Dedication of Church Loyalty Workers

TO ONE GREAT HOPE SHE PRESSES

Hymn of Dedication and Decision—"Rise Up, O Men of God".....374

Benediction

Choral Response and Postlude

**First Service Only*

***Second Service Only*

This morning Dr. Fredrikson will greet folks at the side door, Rev. Babcock at the main door and Rev. Rowe at the balcony door.

The broadcast of the service this morning over Radio Station KELO beginning at 11:10 a.m. is sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Graham.

EVENING GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP

7:30 P.M.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Invocation

Period of Hymn Singing

Scripture—I Kings 19: 4-13a

Prayer

Special Music by Youth Choir

Greetings and Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Hymn

Offering

Special Music

Communion Meditation by Pastor Fredrikson—"In A Still, Small Voice"

Hymn of Preparation—"Lord, Speak to Me"-----256

Observance of the Lord's Supper

Receiving the Deacon's Offering

Hymn of Invitation—"Take Time To Be Holy"-----248

Benediction—Closing Moments—"Beneath the Cross"

Postlude

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, Church Loyalty Visitation

5:00 p.m.—RWF

5:45 p.m.—SYADS (Single Young Adults)

5:00 p.m.—Keystone BYF (Senior High)—Pow Wow Supper—Citizenship Committee

6:00 p.m.—Brayton Case BYF (Junior High) in Youth Room

6:00 p.m.—Membership Class in the Church Parlor

8:45 p.m.—HI Fi

MONDAY, 7:00 p.m.—Explorers

7:30 p.m.—Junior High Leaders meet with Margaret Clark, 1200 S. Summit

TUESDAY, 10:00 a.m.—XYZ

7:30 p.m.—Committee on Youth Work

WEDNESDAY, 4:30 p.m.—Junior Choir Rehearsal

6:15 p.m.—Fellowship Supper in Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m.—Junior High Choir Rehearsal

7:15 p.m.—Primary Choir Rehearsal

7:15 p.m.—Midweek Prayer Service

8:00 p.m.—Senior High Choir Rehearsal

8:15 p.m.—Spiritual Integration Committee

8:15 p.m.—Leader's Learning Hour

THURSDAY, 12:00 noon—Trustees at YMCA

1:15 p.m.—Junior Philathea Class meeting in the Church Parlor

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7:00 p.m.—Scouts

7:30 p.m.—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, 6:30 p.m.—Men's Fellowship

CHURCH STAFF

Ministers:

Dr. Roger L. Fredrikson.....Pastor

Rev. Albert H. Babcock.....Christian

Education

Rev. James E. Rowe.....New Life

Secretaries:

Miss Winifred Jones.....Financial

Miss Margaret Clark.....Pastor's

Assistant

Mrs. Clarence Anderson.....Church

Hostess.....Mrs. Hilda Bockelman

Musicians:

Dr. Lee Bright.....Director

Dr. Maynard Berk.....Organist

Mr. Harold Wortman.....Youth

Miss Lois Harchanko.....Children

Sextons:

Mr. Elmer Ysbrand

Mr. Warren Dolan

Mr. Lamont Reichelt

November 6, 1960

On this lovely day which God has given us, we welcome you to our Services. This is Margaret Clark, the Pastor's Assistant bringing you a word of greeting from the congregation and staff here at First Baptist. We are glad that you have joined us today. In this age of tension and crisis, ~~it~~ is fitting that we turn ~~to~~ this quiet place to seek God's answers to our inner restlessness. Because you cannot be with us in the Sanctuary for one reason or another, we bring this service to you in the realization that God is not bounded by time or place or circumstance but is present wherever hearts are open to receive him.

This morning the Sanctuary Choir has sung PRAISE THE LORD, O JERUSALEM BY Maunder. The solo, MY TASK, ~~by~~ Ashford will be sung this morning by Mrs. Firman Early, soprano.

Pastor Fredrikson is preaching this morning on the topic THE GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT.

We invite you to attend the Evening Gospel Fellowship tonight at 7:30. The service will be under the leadership of Pastor Fredrikson who will be speaking on the life and message of Elijah in a meditation entitled IN A STILL, SMALL VOICE. This service which will be climaxed ~~ed~~ with the Lord's Supper is to prepare us for the musical worship experience which will be ours on the morning of November 20 when the Sanctuary Choir will present Mendelssohn's Oratoria ELIJAH.

Before we return to the Sanctuary let me say once again how happy we are that you are with us today. It is our hope that you will sense here the presence of God and in that Presence come to know His strength, his forgiveness and his peace. Should you be in need of spiritual counsel or guidance feel free to call our office so that we might have the opportunity of visiting with you. The doors of this church are always open to those who desire to meet God and walk with him. As we invite you we are mindful of the fact that ^{this} ~~it~~ is God's House ~~to which we welcome you~~ and it is in His Spirit that we seek to minister to you.

"In A Still, Small Voice"

The Prophetic Tradition

- ① Deep sense of "Thus saith the Lord"
- ② Lonely Men - Radical and Strange.
- ③ Men of Courage
 - Faced Evil
 - Great Mollifiers.
 - Struggles bare the outer mask.
- ④ Believed in Inner Religion.
- ⑤ God Involved in the Affairs of the Day

The Life of Elijah

- Knew God's Care and Resources - ^{Water} ^{haven} feeding him
- Predicted Drought and the Predicted Rain

① Intimate, Tender Experience With Widow of Sraphath

- Because she cared for him with water and bread. her oil and meal did not fail.
- The Apparent Death of the Son.
 - Elijah stretching himself out on the boy.
 - The Jewish Rabbi speaking of him in connection with our children.

"Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the Lord on your mouth is truth."

② The Confrontation at Mount Carmel

- Jezebel and her, theism
- Elijah's Challenge.
 - Halting between two opinions
 - His sarcasm.
 - The trench and the water

The Prayers of Elijah

"O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel,
let it be known this day that Thou art God in
Israel, and that I am Thy servant and that
I have done all these things at Thy Word.

Answer me, O Lord, answer me that this people
may know that Thou, ~~art~~ O Lord, art God,
and that Thou hast turned their hearts back."

③ Confronting Abishai at the Vineyard of Holoath
Dealing with his murder

- The curse pronounced. I Kings 21: 20-24

④ The Entry of Elijah into Heaven

- Elisha's Prayer

- His leaving in the Chariot of fire

⑤ The Vision at the Cave

- "I am All Alone"

- The Strong Wind

- Earthquake.

- The fire

Then a still small voice

- The Discovery of the Resourcer of God.

7,000 who have not bowed their
knee to Baal.