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FCRT GARRY UNITED CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Sunday, February 24, 1957.

11.00a.m.

PROFESSIONAL HYMN 668 "O Sing A New Song"
(The congregation will rise as the organist
plays the last line of tune and remain standing
for Hymn Invocation and Choral Call)

INVOCATION

CHORAL CALL TO SILENT PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (sung by congregation)

UNISON READING 753

SCRIPTURE LESSON Jonah, Chapters 3 & 4

WORD TO BOYS AND GIRLS

BOYS AND GIRLS HYMN 588 "God Sees the Little Sparrow"

PRAYER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN 348 "O Lord and Master"

SERMON "The Reluctant Evangelist"

HYMN 350 "Love Devine"

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN (sung by congregation)

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EVENING WORSHIP

7.00p.m.

HYMN 9 "Praise To the Lord"

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 15.

HYMN 263 "My Faith Looks Up To Thee"

SERMON "God's Word - How To Hear It"

PRAYER

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HYMN 356 "Take My Life"

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But you know - what's

so significant?

stands this same O.T. :-

Hat of Religion of Israel → History of Israel

Really see - claim is all about

God dealt with them in events
of their history.

JONAH :-

Story you know :- Notorious.

Ought to be Notorious :- quite another
reason than the one that has gained it
Notoriety :-

Fit it in :- complex of Bible :-

Written late - 300 ^{after} (not David - Abraham
Elijah.)

Only prophet - actual scenes of author
himself

Book is a symbolic sermon.
Parable.

Notorious :- Message -

against events & ideas at
time of writing.

III →

Author makes use - Liturgical Psalm -

very similar - motif -

Nathan Rebekah - Fulfilled Geth.

Distress and rescue - (Psalms)

Hebrew vs: - Futility Cult → Sinner
Cultic Beliefs - loss of Yahweh's support.

Disobedience - Law

Book of Jonah →

Author - poem → estrangement

Disobeying Call to Mission: -

Not few

Prophetic Deliverance: - punishment for
rejecting Mission.

another story →

Does Preach in Nineveh!

People repent! They delivered
God.

Poets: -

you pity the plant -
for which you did not
labour!

should not I pity Nineveh.

Wailing of a Man - Restoration: -

Calypse of Kingdome: -

Prophets storm - Suffer - Hand of God
- Role for Israel

Bless world: - Know real way of God
True nature / Suffer for sin folk

Declaration of Religious commitment:

Ezra → Non Gifts - worship of God pure

Promised → Call of Israel → Mission to world.

Holy People

Select - no many →

Keep distinct → Separate people

Bring God to nations.

For their own sakes; -

Ephraim Legalistic: -

Book of Jonah: - Symbolic sermon

Israel - refuses call of God - True

- cry for Deliverance

- Pointing when Gentiles do Repent

→ Be still - Ephraim Prophets

Israel - not truly

Ephraim - Have a pleasure in
Death of a sinner

→ { Universal - An Gospel
come not to condemn the world
But to save: -

Satisfied: - righteous - established
all ways - perished

Many rescued from ways
sin.

Love of People - Moral Law to vindicate

Has God Broken through
to Author of Jonah?

Word of God?

Call of God - to Mission!

Blessing, grace, Favor,
wherever we have known it.

Gifts :- only that we may bless
the world with it.

~~Wishes~~ grace of all

States Foreign sinners for!

Bless ^{Bless would with it:-} sinners with it.

not would unfortunately.

Sinners:-

Have I pleasure in the Death of
a sinner.

we: Port - if they aren't punished.

Should I not pity Nineveh :-

Has God something to say to

Members of Fort Gay W.C.

You → His Servant

The Author of Book of Jonah!

We cannot run from God -
any more than the man in the stars
can

Kids at
YMCA

Nation
West
People
Quality
gifts

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Hymn No. 9 2 verses

1. Corinthians 1:20-25

my task now, as always in Xn Preaching

— Proclaim God in X - Becomes Real

What we see in X - Confronts us as God.

Quite different from saying things about God

Talking "about" God

Talking through our hats

Discussing God - Discussing through our hats.

Discussing nothing at all

"Discussing God" - contradiction.

God is that which subdues

Confronts us as sovereign
ultimate concern

This Being we talk "about"

object of an intellectual inquiry
is not God at all.

all the while we do this.

some concern is ultimate for our lives

some meaning has become central & formative

i.e. something else is God to us

∴ Xn Preaching is extra tough in
university situation.

BUT Not for the reasons usually associated. (2)

} not because Xn Faith has a tough time
surviving under intellectual scrutiny.

more on that tomorrow:-

But because it is about more than
intellectual inquiry can discover.

And Right now:- in U situation

Tasting Excitement

giddiness of 1st int. enquiry:-

reason - sharp instrument

some-time before realize - limited uses.

elit. Examination: not End
make it: with all the skill & thoroughness
you can muster.

not wrong:- you have a mind - use it.

But: you are not a mind.

you are a person

you are a self separated from } your duty.
& in tension with.

Like ^{the self} is more than knowing

Indeed: you don't even know like by
knowing:- By Living

Knowledge of God: God is never an object of knowledge
he is the subject in a relationship between
↓ self - that which subdues it.
- Becomes its Sovereign Lord.

Supposing: { Kind of thing we see in X --- any difference?
confront us as almighty God / In presence is
called to do

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9:25 - 9:40

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Yesterday - the most probing intellectual enquiry:
 in to the truth about the self. Is death
 was not mind - but that it couldn't
 do everything.

its function: - discovers the right questions to ask
 can it give any answers: -

can probe } answers.
 deal
 vindicate }

BUT. Answer is given.

raise real issues.

answers: not content of inquiry
 But content of Revelation.

Historic Xn Faith:

still has something to say to this enquiry
 Puts a challenge to it - in its own field.
 sit back build up its defences.

on attack: -

make a thorough analysis.

Get to the matter of real questions.

Then enquiry into the nature of the human self
 right questions - to which Xn Revelation
 speaks

1. Being of the self: - like all other beings.
 under threat of Non Being.

Finite: -

under threat of Death.

any answer: - Deal with anxiety about Fate & Des

a courage: - to affirm self in spite of this threat
 - not to forget it's real

2. Being of the human self.

Being in relation to meaning: -

asks question of meaning: - understood of meanings affirmed } for a meaning: -
 lived

even if no meaning is claimed!
 inescapable.

answers - provided spiritual centre.
 Deal with anxiety of meanings
 courage to affirm self: - aspects of that

Both of these recognized & dealt with
 man has satisfactory in free Xn answers.

3. Life of the human self. -

also Responsibility: -

Less than Human: - this is not recognized.

Self in relation to a destiny.

centre of responsibility: - something he is not
 he ought to be.

Responsible for what he becomes:

Real problem of Evil: -

conditions of existence -

Life -

square look at it: - we all fail.

Problem of Guilt. Threat of condemnation.

Simplest solution: - no resp.: - denies being of
 man.

- not vs evil: - blind to facts.

courage affirm self as a moral resp. by insight.
 of anxiety of Guilt.

Problem of Life - not answers: - courage

Int. inquiry: - leads to its own despair.

given spiritual centre, takes stock of reality.
 given solution. Takes stock of problem of evil & Resp.

1. Yesterday I suggested that the faith cannot
— say much to a person who isn't asking the
right questions.

always at the heart of problem of religiosity

until people are driven to ask the right question

acknowledge the element of responsibility -

~~Raise the question of guilt and condemnation.~~

2. Any knowledge of God

encounter - that which subdues
that which becomes ultimately heavy
that which becomes sovereign Lord

One + Two: - God confronts us as Demand!

On purpose: - I have a notion
it is the ignoring of this. →
makes people think there is something wrong
about considering God expendable.

Exp. universal level: - general
emergence of self. } God as Victim
affirmation of independence } fault - catch for
a weakness.
God is for crises. } expendable.
Can't stand on own feet }

Acknowledge - remember: - God as Demand

man who won't stand on his own feet.

Decides God is expendable

shirking responsibility: -
should be held responsible for what
he ought to become

Demand expendable: -

Discovers is very revealing.
Reveals the real reason for our rejection of God.
Demand is too much for us
not that we are too big
too small.

God as Demand: abstract. - generalist.
confrontation - personal.

Demanding a personal yes or no

Situation into which X's Presence Proclaims
that God is in X.

Love :- Purpose & end of creation :- everyone
of a self :- say no?

Limits to might - Fulfill to be
is Love

Self Emptying Love seen in X. +
{ save only - not himself
Identified - not detached
Cause - lets go.
Bares sin.

met that as God. met a Demand:
Personal

Begin to know God in X.

find yourself asking what about me.

Find God in X: Encounter socially

that Demands a personal answer.
yes! - or no!

you can consider that sort of encounter as
expendable

and By Dying as a moral Being:
"and the people answered him not a word"

Ro. 5
6-8 Acceptance of acceptance

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~~269~~ 6+7 (1)
~~Belmont~~

After saying on the first day what I thought
Xn preaching was: → I confess I
proceeded to do something else for two
mornings.

Make this defense!
as from The Beginning: — Look what they
made me do.

That is how the world is.

It is not asking the right questions.

The Penetrating relevance of the faith cannot
speak to us — until we have ~~beliefs~~ ^{beliefs}
to ask the question of Guilt.

Only then does talk of Savior! say anything.

Until we see X as a Saving Lord: Don't see him

Encounter with God as demand!

if God is Self Emptying Love: —

what about me? Don't dare look.

when is —?

— can it?
ever

ground of my being?

Self emptying Love my ultimate concern

Don't have to be successful

Don't have to be comfortable

Don't have to be happy

Don't have to be well thought of.

Stand in Hell —

shameless: —

standing on ground which cannot
be shaken

self emptying Love —

Don't Dare look: completeness of my rebellion:
against God — if God is suffering to

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Indeed: self God is self emptying Love.
He confronts me with a demand - that.
drives me to total despair.

UNLESS . God is self Emptying Love.
There is Forgiveness with him.
Beats Sin.

Total Despair - in Total Demand.
unless God is Final Saviour.

in what is spoken to the anxiety of Guilt
Full meaning of the Xa Revelation is seen.

1. The only way you can face yourself
as the complete sinner you are;
in the light of the Forgiveness of Love.
- ~~know~~ how completely unacceptable you
are only in the knowledge of God's
acceptance of you.
2. Know release from anxiety of Guilt, while
not sidestepping responsibility. only in Face
of cosmic savior.
as Love accepts you its very acceptance
confronts you with a most penetrating judgment

Knowledge of God! . Confrontation: - self. subject.
subdues.
Knows, judges, Saves.

Demand: - personal.
acceptance: - personal.

can stand in Hell.

By God's Grace - stand