The Prattmont Church of Christ is just what the name suggests,

a church that belongs to Christ. We are not a denomination; we are simply a group of Christians trying very hard to practice the teachings of our Head, Jesus Christ. The New Testament offers a complete pattern for what each local church should be like—its organization, its worship, its work, etc. We are committed to following that pattern. We cordially invite you to attend our services. We would

TIMES OF SERVICES:

Sunday

Bible Classes............9 A.M. Worship........... 10:00 A.M. Worship/Bible Study..5 P.M.

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

also welcome any comments or questions about this bulletin.

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The Majesty of God

by Jason Cicero

"The LORD reigns, He is clothed with majesty; The LORD has clothed and girded Himself with strength; indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved" (Psalm 93:1).

The GOD we worship and adore is majestic. There are many synonyms for majesty: Beauty, comeliness, excellency, glory, glorious, goodly, grandeur, honor, magnificence, ornament, splendor. Majesty has to do with having an imposing form and appearance and carries with it overtones of superior power and position. When used of GOD it evokes a sense of amazement in the mind of the one beholding Him. Simply stated, GOD's majesty is his "greatness" (Vine). GOD would have us see His majesty, respond to His majesty, and magnify him in our lives.

See His Majesty

Moses requested to see GOD's greatness: "Please, show me Your glory" (Exodus 33:17 - 34:7). What Moses saw at Mount Sinai we are to see by faith! See GOD's greatness through the

eyes of faith! Gaze at His glory, majesty, and dominion. Grow in the grace of seeing Him: "I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened..." (Ephesians 1:18). Each of us needs our own Mount Sinai experience. Wisdom unsearchable. Purity unspotted. Years unending. Strength undaunted. Love immeasurable. Glimpses of the majesty of GOD!

Respond to His Majesty

"So Moses made haste and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshiped" (Exodus 34:8). The proper response to GOD's greatness is worship! To worship is to prostrate oneself (literally or figuratively) in reverence to the great I AM. The externals (reading, prayer, singing, the Lord's supper, giving, and preaching) are important, but our hearts must be engaged in order for GOD to be glorified! "Turn to Me with all your heart...rend your heart and not your garments..." (Joel 2:12-13).

Magnify Him in My Life

To magnify is to make great, to enlarge (Vine). GOD is great, but is He great in your life? Have you made these words your own: "...in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death" (Philippians 1:20)? Magnifying GOD in every aspect of your life glorifies GOD!

The GOD we worship and adore is worthy of our praise because He is majestic! See His majesty. Respond to His majesty. Magnify Him in your life. He is worthy. "...to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen" (Jude 25).

Malchus' Ear

by Greg Gwin

Christians are often disappointed and discouraged when they fail to convince unbelieving friends and relatives to accept the truth from the Scriptures. They ask questions like: "How can they ignore the evidence?" and "It's so obvious, why can't they see it?" These are good questions. We understand your frustration. We agree—it is not logical for people to ignore the abundance of available proof.

Do you recall the occasion when Judas brought a band of armed men to arrest Jesus? Peter, thinking to defend Him with force, drew out his sword. Each of the gospel writers describe him cutting off the ear of Malchus, a servant of the high priest. Jesus rebuked Peter, and Luke tells us that He proceeded to heal the severed ear (Luke 22:51). Think about that a minute! In the presence of this mob of angry conspirators Jesus worked a miracle. They saw it! Yet still they proceeded to participate in the events that led to the unjust murder of God's own Son.

We remind you of this simply to illustrate that prejudiced men have always ignored evidence that contradicts their predetermined positions. If the Scribes and Pharisees could see the many miracles of Jesus and still call for his crucifixion, we should not be too surprised when men today reject the plain truths of God's word.

But, there is another, more positive lesson to be learned here. Jesus said in John 10:18, "No man taketh (my life) from me but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again." In healing Malchus' ear, Jesus proved His point. By working that miracle He showed that He had unlimited power to save His own life, but He refused to use it. He died willingly for our sins. What a Savior!