"The Redemption of Scrooge"

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The Many Faces of Scrooge



Reflection (from session #3)

- What would the Ghost of Christmas Present want you to see and learn about our world, our community, our church and our PACE Class?
- What are the <u>tangible</u> ways you can show love and bring hope to people who are experiencing darkness during this time of Advent and Christmas?
- How should the difficult circumstances surrounding the first Christmas <u>influence your attitude</u> as you make your way through the coming year?

Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come



The Hope of Christmas Future

Psalm 98 "Make a Joyful Noise"

Psalm 98

Why do/should we praise God?

Psalm 98

Why would a coming judgment be a cause of praise and celebration?

Psalm 98

How does the promise that Christ will one day return affect how you live your life today?

Joy to the World 1719

Joy to the world, the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room
And Heaven and nature sing
And Heaven and nature sing
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing

Joy to the World, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make his blessing flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found, Far as, far as the curse is found

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love, And wonders of his love,
And wonders, And wonders of his love

Questions for "Joy to the World"

- How are you preparing room for Jesus in your heart?

- Have you ever seen or heard nature "repeat the sounding joy"?

 What steps have you taken to ensure that sins and sorrows will grow no more?

What "wonders of his love" have you created?

Redeemed!!



Reflection

- When a Christian experiences redemption, what is exchanged?
- How does the knowledge of Christ's free grace affect your view of the future?
- How might your future Christmas celebrations and your actions throughout the year better glorify Christ?

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Joy to the World the Lord has come!

"Rejoice in the Lord always! I will say it again, rejoice!"

Philippians 4:4