EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

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Theme: The Legacy of the Scriptures Text: 1 Timothy 1; 2 Corinthians 3 Title: "Committed to my Trust"

(I) THE LEGACY OF THE SCRIPTURES

- 1. The Bible of the Church in the 1st Century (The Old Testament)
- 2. The Gospel
- a) The Preached Word
- b) The Gospel
- c) The Written Word

(II) THE DIFFICULTIES EXPERIENCED IN THE FIRST CENTURY

- 1. The traditional embedded place of The Law
- 2. Resistance from the Jewish Community

(III) THE NEW COVENANT DEFENDED (2 Corinthians 3)

- 1. Evaluation of the ministry of the Old Covenant
- a) The glory of the Old Covenant

"Written and engraved in stone" 2 Corinthians 3:7

b) A Glory that fades away

"Which glory was passing away" 2 Corinthians 3:7

c) Other names

i) "The ministry of death" 2 Corinthians 3:7

ii) "The ministry of condemnation" 2 Corinthians 3:9

- 2. Extolling the New Covenant
- a) "The New Covenant" 2 Corinthians 3:6

b) "The ministry of the Spirit" 2 Corinthians 3:8

c) "Glory that excels" 2 Corinthians 3:10

(IV) THE GOSPEL MINISTRY ENTRUSTED

1. Called "the glorious Gospel" 1 Timothy 1:11

2. Gospel originated from God Himself 1 Timothy 1:11

3. Gospel entrusted 1 Timothy 1:11

(V) THE LEGACY OF THE SCRIPTURES

"Clearly you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart."

2 Corinthians 3:3

- 1. Living Epistles of Christ
- 2. Written by the Spirit of God
- 3. Written on the heart