

\* **Call to Worship:** *Isaiah 12:4-6*  
*Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name,  
 make known his deeds among the peoples,  
 proclaim that his name is exalted.*

*Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;  
let this be made known in all the earth.*

*Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.*

**\* Opening Prayer**

\* *God of Grace and God of Glory*

God of grace and God of glory,  
On your people pour your power;  
Crown your ancient church's story,  
Bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
For the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
Scorn the Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
Free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
For the living of these days, for the living of these days.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;  
Let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
Serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore.

\* *O Day of Rest and Gladness* #12:1,2,4 (HFG)

O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light.  
O balm of care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright.  
On Thee the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune.  
Sing, "Holy, holy, holy," to the great God Triune.

On thee, at the creation, the light first had its birth;  
On thee, for our salvation Christ rose from depths of earth;  
On thee our Lord victorious the Spirit sent from heaven,  
And thus on thee, most glorious a triple light was given.

New graces ever gaining, from this our day of rest.  
We reach the rest remaining, to spirits of the blest.  
To Holy Ghost be praises, to Father and to Son.  
The Church her voice upraises, to Thee blest Three in One.

\* join us in standing if able

\* *I Am Thine, O Lord* #455:1,4 (HFG)

I am Thine, O Lord; I have heard Thy voice,  
And it told Thy love to me;  
But I long to rise in the arms of faith  
And be closer drawn to Thee.

*Refrain:* Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
To the cross where Thou hast died;  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord  
To Thy precious, bleeding side.

There are depths of love that I cannot know  
'Til I cross the narrow sea;  
There are heights of joy that I may not reach  
'Til I rest in peace with Thee. *Refrain*

## Profession of Faith: *Our World Belongs to God* Article 6

**We rejoice in the goodness of God,  
renounce the works of darkness,  
and dedicate ourselves to holy living.**

**As covenant partners,  
called to faithful obedience,  
and set free for joyful praise,  
we offer our hearts and lives  
to do God's work in his world.  
With tempered impatience,  
eager to see injustice ended,  
we expect the Day of the Lord.  
And we are confident  
that the light which shines in the present darkness  
will fill the earth when Christ appears.**

**Come, Lord Jesus!**  
**Our world belongs to you.**

*For God So Loved the World* #315 (HFG)

For God so loved the world, He gave His only Son  
To die on Calvary's tree, from sin to set me free;  
Some day He's coming back; what glory that will be!  
Wonderful His love to me. *Repeat All*

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## Evening Prayer

\* *Sweet Hour of Prayer* #439:2 (HFG)

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
Thy wings shall my petition bear  
To Him whose truth and faithfulness  
Engage the waiting soul to bless:  
And since He bids me seek His face,  
Believe His Word, and trust His grace,  
I'll cast on Him my every care,  
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

\* **Scripture:** *II John 1:7-13 (ESV)* pg. 1282

*<sup>7</sup>For many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not confess the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh. Such a one is the deceiver and the antichrist.*

<sup>8</sup> Watch yourselves, so that you may not lose what we have worked for, but may win a full reward.

<sup>9</sup>Everyone who goes on ahead and does not abide in the teaching of Christ, does not have God. Whoever abides in the teaching has both the Father and the Son. <sup>10</sup>If anyone

comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your house or give him any greeting,  
<sup>11</sup>for whoever greets him takes part in his wicked works.

<sup>12</sup> Though I have much to write to you, I would rather not use paper and ink. Instead I hope to come to you and talk face to face, so that our joy may be complete.

<sup>13</sup> *The children of your elect sister greet you.*

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *Why Steer Clear of Deceivers*

\* ***Who Is On the Lord's Side*** #409:1,4 (HFG)

Who is on the Lord's side? Who will serve the King?  
Who will be His helpers, other lives to bring?  
Who will leave the world's side? Who will face the foe?  
Who is on the Lord's side? Who for Him will go?  
By Thy call of mercy, by Thy grace divine,  
We are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are Thine.

Fierce may be the conflict, strong may be the foe,  
But the King's own army none can overthrow.  
Round His standard ranging vict'ry to secure;  
For His truth unchanging makes the triumph sure.  
Joyfully enlisting by Thy grace divine,  
We are on the Lord's side, Savior, we are Thine.

\* **God's Blessing**

\* ***Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*** #638 (PH)  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen.

***The Mathematics of Cults.***

They **add** extra-biblical sources of authority to God's Word, some other book or prophet's teaching.

They **subtract** from the person and work of Jesus Christ as the Son of God. They deny some aspect of His divinity or humanity; say His redemptive work is inadequate.

They **multiply** requirements for salvation, some sort of works righteousness to gain acceptance with God.

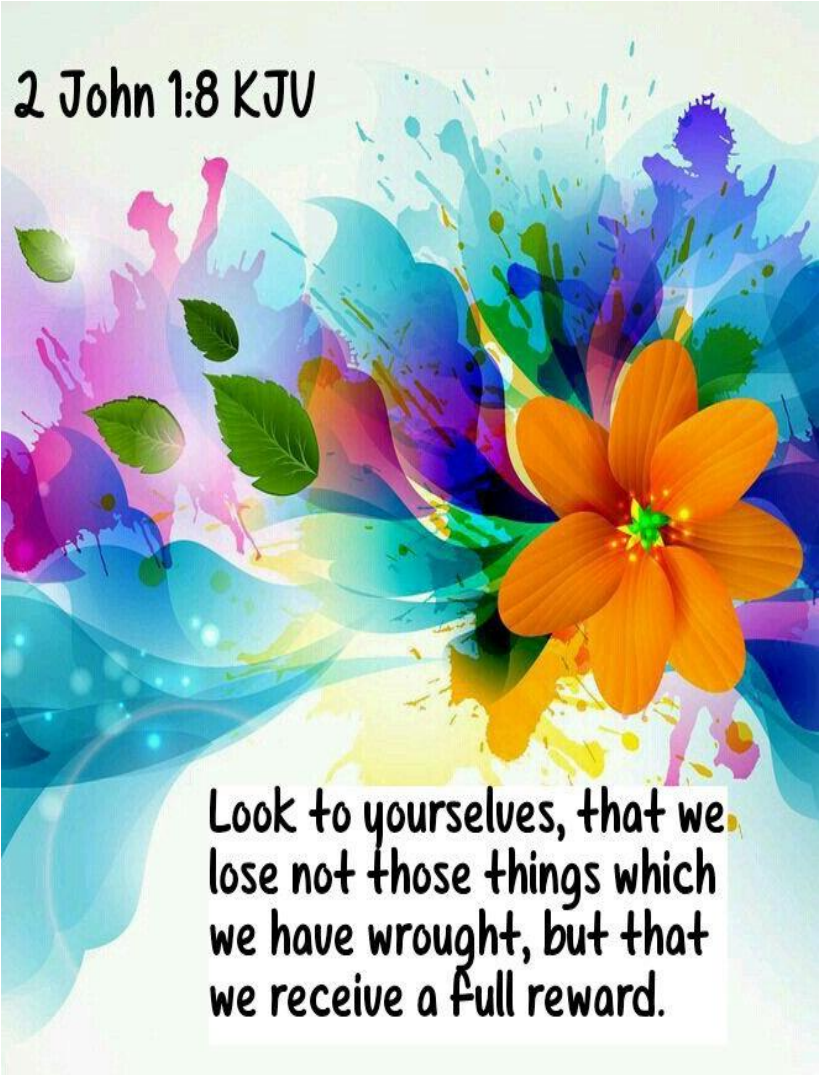
They **divide** the loyalties of their followers, away from God through Jesus, and toward their leaders or their group. They claim to be the only path of the truth.

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