

THE PINNACLE OF HUMAN DELIGHT

The eternal, unchanging, purpose of God is to be glorified in his everlasting Kingdom. He is glorified in holiness and absolute moral perfection. He is glorified in the display of his power in creation but, above all, he is glorified in his grace in saving a multitude of sinners from their just condemnation under his strict justice by the redemption accomplished by the Lord Jesus Christ. His plan to accomplish the triumph of his Kingdom over the rebellion of Satan and his worldly kingdom is *settled in heaven (Psalm 119:89)*. It is the 7-sealed scroll revealed in Revelation 5:1 which is implemented by the loosening of the seals; and only Christ, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, in the capacity of the Lamb of God slain to pay redemption's price, is qualified to implement that plan. He IS the Word of God (John 1:1; Rev 19:13), *the same yesterday, today and forever (Heb 13:8)*. It is *by him* that the universe was created (Heb 1:2, Col 1:16) as the 'canvass' upon which the gracious purposes of God are worked out and displayed through the written Word of God to the people he has redeemed by the blood of Christ. If the Holy Spirit has quickened you and given you faith and life from above to see and grasp this divine 'law of eternity', you are truly blessed. Above all the things of this world that may stimulate the senses, having the eternal secrets of God revealed in your soul by Christ (John 15:15) is the pinnacle of delight (Psalm 119:92). AJ

ALL SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS – EPH. 1:3

The Holy Spirit uses this phrase over and over again "IN CHRIST". The whole of the word of God is to reveal to us the Lord Jesus and his accomplished salvation. The whole of God's word is to teach us what we have IN CHRIST.

When Our Lord Jesus Christ said; "come unto me, and you shall find rest for your souls". He is telling us that outside of Him, there is no rest for a soul, or rest from the guilt and power of sin. When Christ said, "come unto me", He didn't say come to a particular position on doctrine, come to election, or come to imputed righteousness. He didn't say come to total depravity, or to God's Sovereignty. He told sinners to "COME UNTO ME!" Why? Because when a sinner comes to Christ they receive All that He did in His work, and All that He is in His person. We were chosen IN HIM and accepted IN HIM. Redemption is through his blood, and we obtained an inheritance IN HIM. We were quickened together with Him, and raised up to sit together in heavenly places IN HIM. The long and the short of it beloved, is that if we have Christ we have ALL WE NEED! We have it where it counts before God Almighty who demands perfection. Blessed be His name, He provided us perfection IN CHRIST. "And ye are COMPLETE IN HIM, which is the head of all principality and power".

We need righteousness: Christ is our righteousness. We need wisdom: Christ is our wisdom. We need sanctification: Christ is our sanctification. We need redemption: Christ is our redemption. God made Him so unto us (1 Cor. 1:30).

Christ said, "COME UNTO ME". In coming to Him, you will have all that is IN HIM, and you will spend the rest of your life learning about all you have IN HIM!
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Sunday 15th May 2022

11:00 am (GMT+1) Service

Psalm 119:89-96

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Psalm 119:89-96

58 tune 861

I Watts

1 Blest are the souls that hear and know
The gospel's joyful sound;
Peace shall attend the path they go,
And light their steps surround.

2 Their joy shall bear their spirits up,
Through their Redeemer's name;
His righteousness exalts their hope,
Nor Satan dares condemn.

3 The Lord, our glory and defence,
Strength and salvation gives;
Israel, thy King for ever reigns,
Thy God for ever lives.

Prayer

Reading Psalm 90

Prayer

523 tune 767

W Gadsby

1 The gospel's the law of the Lamb;
My soul of its glories shall sing;
With pleasure my tongue shall proclaim
The law of my Saviour and King;
A sweet law of liberty this;
A yoke that is easy and mild;
Of love it the precious law is,
Unknown unto all but a child.

2 The law of the Spirit of life,
That takes the old yoke from our neck,
Proves Zion to be the Lamb's wife,
And Zion with beauty does deck;
Provides her a clothing divine,
And makes her all-glorious within;
Nor angels are clothèd more fine,
Nor can it be sullied with sin.

3 Its beauties all centre in Christ,
For Christ is the substance of it;
It makes broken hearts to rejoice,
And insolvent debtors will fit.
'Tis wisdom, 'tis strength, and 'tis love,
'Tis all that a sinner can need;
And all that are born from above,
By Jesus from Moses are freed.

Sermon

526 tune 542

W Gadsby

1 Thrice happy are the men,
Who know the joyful sound;
They glory in the Lamb;
Their hopes upon him found;
They see how justice, truth, and grace,
Agree and shine in Jesus' face.

2 A joyful sound indeed,
To sinners in distress,
Who have no works to plead
But what are vile and base;
Who feel their hearts a dreadful den
Of every murderous, hateful sin.

3 For such to hear and know
Salvation is of God,
That Jesus will bestow
The riches of his love
On sinners who have nought to bring,
Will make their very souls to sing.

4 He pardons all their sins,
And makes them white as wool,
And the sweet Spirit sends,
To fill their vessels full
Of faith, and love, and joy, and peace,
And seal them sons and heirs of grace.