

SERMON NOTES:

“Not Losing Heart”

2 Cor. 4:16-18

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THE LORD’S DAY, APRIL 18, 2021

TODAY’S FOCUS: THE PERSPECTIVE OF ETERNITY

REFLECTION: “If, then, you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, Who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.”

Colossians 3:1-4

OPENING OF WORSHIP: “He will swallow up death forever; and the LORD God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of His people He will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

“It will be said on that day, ‘Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, that He might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for Him; let us be glad and rejoice in His salvation.’” *Isaiah 25:8-9*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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BENEDICTION: “Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may you be kept blameless at the coming our Lord Jesus Christ. He Who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it.” *1 Thess. 5:23-24*

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HYMN LYRICS

CHRIST IS ALL

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I've found a treasure that can't be taken, found a well that won't run dry.
O worldly pleasure, be now forsaken—behold what love, what life is mine!

Could endless striving now make me righteous,
Could all my works now grant me hope.
Oh, hallelujah, the blood of Jesus, my only plea, my only boast.

**REFRAIN: Christ is all, Christ is all, and my song will ever be,
Christ is all, all in all, and my song will ever be, Christ is all.**

And in the trial when storms are raging, though tears may fall, my soul will rise.
For there's a peace that is mine unchanging, there is a joy that never dies.

(Refrain)

When life is passing and strength is fading, I'll see the One that I adore.
Let this world vanish—oh give me Jesus: my great desire, my true reward!

(Refrain)

A CHRISTIAN'S DAILY PRAYER

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(repeat underlined portion)

As morning dawns and day awakes, to You I bring my need;
O gracious God, my source of strength, in You I live and breathe.
Each hour is Yours by wisdom planned,
Each deed empowered by Sovereign hands;
Renew my spirit, help me stand—be glorified today.

As day unfolds, I seek Your will in all of life's demands;
And though the tempter tries me still, I cling to Your commands.
Let every effort of my life display the matchless worth of Christ;
Make me a living sacrifice—be glorified today.

As sun gives way to darkest night, Your Spirit still is here;
And though my strength fades like the light, new mercies will appear.

I rest in You; abide with me until our trials and suffering
Give way to final victory—be glorified today.

Be glorified, I pray.

BE STILL, MY SOUL

Katherina von Schlegel, 1752; Jean Sibelius, 1899; CCLI #3044672

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In every change, He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: Your God will undertake
To guide the future as He has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and wind still know
His voice Who ruled them while He dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,
And all is darkened in the vale of tears,
Then shall you better know His love, His heart,
Who comes to soothe your sorrow and your fears.
Be still, my soul: Your Jesus can repay
From His own fullness all He takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
When we shall be forever with the Lord,
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restore.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.



BE THOU MY VISION

Irish poem, 8th century; tr. Mary Byrne, 1905; CCLI #3044672

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my battle shield, sword for my fight; be Thou my dignity, Thou my delight,
Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tow'r:
Raise Thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING

Charles Wesley, 1746; John Darwall, 1770; CCLI #3044672

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

***REFRAIN: Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!***

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above. ***(Refrain)***

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n. ***(Refrain)***

His sits at God's right hand till all His foes submit,
And bow to His command, and fall beneath His feet. ***(Refrain)***

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come
And take His servants up to their eternal home. ***(Refrain)***