THE VISION & EXPERIENCE OF THE RICHES OF

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FOR THE CHURCH



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# **Fall Conference 2022**

October 21-23

	Friday, October 21
6:30 PM	Check-in / registration at DoubleTree
7:30 PM	Message #1 < The Vision of the Riches of Christ >

# Saturday, October 22 10:30 AM Message #2 < The Consummation of the Riches of Christ – the Spirit > Special Topic < A Heart for Man > 1 PM Break 5:30 PM Dinner

Message #3

7:30 PM

	Sunday, October 23
10:30 AM	Message #4 < A Normal and Proper Christian Practice For The Building Up of The Body of Christ >
12 PM	Travel back home

< The Produce of the Riches of Christ – the Church >

#### MESSAGE ONE

#### The Vision of the Riches of Christ

#### I. The unsearchable riches of Christ as the gospel

**Colossians 1:12** Giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you for a share of the allotted portion of the saints in the light.

**Ephesians 3:8** To me, less than the least of all saints, was this grace given to announce to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ as the gospel.

**Ephesians 1:17** That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the full knowledge of Him, **18a** The eyes of your heart having been enlightened.

**3:14** For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father.... **16** That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit into the inner man, **17** That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith.

#### II. The riches of Christ in the Gospel of John

#### A. God

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**14:9** Jesus said to him, Have I been so long a time with you, and you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how *is it that* you say, Show us the Father?

20:28 Thomas answered and said to Him, My Lord and my God!

#### B. The Word, flesh, and the tabernacle

**John 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **14** And the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only Begotten from the Father), full of grace and reality.

18 No one has ever seen God; the only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.

**1 John 1:1** That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we beheld and our hands handled, concerning the Word of life.

#### C. Life and light

John 1:4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

#### D. The Lamb

**John 1:29** The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

#### E. The Spirit

**John 1:32** And John testified, saying, I beheld the Spirit descending as a dove out of heaven, and He abode upon Him.

**1 Corinthians 15:45** So also it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living soul"; the last Adam *became* a lifegiving Spirit. (*Cf.* **2 Corinthians 3:17**, "the Lord is the Spirit," **18** "the Lord Spirit"; **4:5** "Christ Jesus as Lord")

#### F. The house and the heavenly ladder

**John 1:42** He led him to Jesus. Looking at him, Jesus said, You are Simon, the son of John; you shall be called Cephas (which is interpreted, Peter).

**51** And He said to him, Truly, truly, I say to you, You shall see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.

#### G. The temple

**John 2:19** Jesus answered and said to them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.... **21** But He spoke of the temple of His body.

#### H. The bronze serpent

John 3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up.

#### I. The eternal life

**John 3:16** For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that everyone who believes into Him would not perish, but would have eternal life.

#### J. The bride

**John 3:29** He who has the bride is the bridegroom... **30** He must increase, but I *must* decrease.

#### K. The spring

**John 4:14** But whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall by no means thirst forever; but the water that I will give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into eternal life.

24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truthfulness.

#### L. The Feast of the Passover and the Feast of Tabernacles

John 6:4 Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was near.

54 He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up in the last day.

57 As the living Father has sent Me and I live because of the Father, so he who eats Me, he also shall live because of Me

**63** It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words which I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.

7:2 Now the Jews' Feast of Tabernacles was near.

**37** Now on the last day, the great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. **38** He who believes into Me, as the Scripture said, out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water. **39** But this He said concerning the Spirit, whom those who believed into Him were about to receive; for *the* Spirit was not yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

#### M. The Shepherd, the door, the pasture, and the flock

**John 10:9** I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he shall be saved and shall go in and go out and shall find pasture.

11 I am the good Shepherd; the good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

**16** And I have other sheep, which are not of this fold; I must lead them also, and they shall hear My voice, and there shall be one flock, one Shepherd.

#### N. The resurrection and the life

**John 11:25** Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes into Me, even if he should die, shall live.

#### O. The grain of wheat

**John 12:24** Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless the grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it abides alone; but if it dies. it bears much fruit.

#### P. The way, the reality, and the life

**John 14:6** Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

#### O. The Comforter

**John 14:16-17** And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter, that He may be with you forever, *even* the Spirit of reality, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know *Him; but* you know Him, because He abides with you and shall be in you.

#### R. The all-inclusive consummated Spirit

John 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed into them and said to them, Receive the Holy Spirit.

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#### **Message Two**

## The Consummation of the Riches of Christ— The Spirit

#### I. The life-giving Spirit

1 Corinthians 15:45 So also it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living soul"; the last Adam became a lifegiving Spirit.

#### II. The Spirit of reality

**Ecc. 3:11** He has made everything beautiful in its time. He also has planted eternity in men's hearts [a divinely implanted sense of a purpose working through the ages which nothing under the sun but God alone can satisfy]—yet so that men cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. (AMP.)

John 14:10a Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me?

Matt. 1:20b For that which has been begotten in her is of the Holy Spirit.

John 14:6a Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life;

John 16:7b It is expedient for you that I go away; for if I do not go away the Comforter will not come to you;

#### Iohn 16:13-15

13 But when He, the Spirit of reality, comes, He will guide you into all the reality; for He will not speak from Himself, but what He hears He will speak; and He will declare to you the things that are coming.

**14** He will glorify Me, for He will receive of Mine and will declare *it* to you.

15 Everything that the Father has is Mine. That is what I meant when I said that He [the Spirit] will take the things that are mine and will reveal (declare, disclose, transmit) it to you. (AMP)

#### III. The bountiful supply

**Philippians 1:19** For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and *the* bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

"The words literally applied would mean the supplying of all needs of the chorus by the choragus. So the words here mean the supplying of all needs of the Christian by the spirit. The Life and Epistles of Saint Paul. Convbeare

"It is the abundant stored wealth in the spirit of the incarnated, afflicted, and crucified Jesus and the resurrected, ascended and enthroned Christ."

Exposition of New Testament Words, P 279

#### Luke 11:10. 13

10 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it shall be opened.

**13** If you then being evil know *how* to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father who is from heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!

#### IV. The blessing of the gospel

**Galatians 3:14** In order that the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Genesis 22:18a And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;

**Genesis 17:8** And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

#### Deuteronomy 8:7-9

7 For the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills;

8 A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and honey;

**9** A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any [thing] in it; a land whose stones [are] iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass.

#### V. The compound Spirit

#### Exodus 30:23-25

23 Take thou also unto thee principal spices, of pure myrrh five hundred [shekels], and of sweet cinnamon half so much, [even] two hundred and fifty [shekels], and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty [shekels],

24 And of cassia five hundred [shekels], after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of oil olive an hin:

**25** And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: it shall be an holy anointing oil.

- 1. 1 Hin of Olive oil—signifying the One Unique God
- 2. 3 units of 500 shekels—signifying the Triune God
- 3. 4 Principal Spices—signifying the Humanity of Jesus
- 4. 500 Shekels of Myrrh—signifying the Precious Death of Christ
- 5. 250 Shekels of Cinnamon—signifying the Sweetness and Effectiveness of Christ's Death
- 6. 250 Shekels of Calamus—signifying the Precious Resurrection of Christ
- 7. 500 Shekels of Cassia—signifying the Power of Christ's Resurrection
- 8. 4 Spices added to the oil—signifying the Mingling of God and Man
- 9. The number 5 signifying Responsibility
- 10. The numbers 3 and 5 signifying the Building Element in the Spirit

Acts 16:7 And when they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, yet the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them.

**Romans 8:13** For if you live according to the flesh, you must die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the practices of the body, you will live.

**Romans 8:9** But you are not in the flesh, but in the spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Yet if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not of Him.

**Philippians 1:19** For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and *the* bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

#### VI. The Spirit

**John 7:39** But this He said concerning the Spirit, whom those who believed into Him were about to receive; for *the* Spirit was not yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

#### Luke 24:26, 46

26 Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and enter into His glory?

46 And He said to them, Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise up from the dead on the third day,

**Revelation 2:7a** He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.

**Revelation 22:17** And the Spirit and the bride say, Come! And let him who hears say, Come! And let him who is thirsty come; let him who wills take the water of life freely.

#### VII. The spiritual drink

**1 Corinthians 12:13** For also in one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and were all given to drink one Spirit.

Psalm 116:13 I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the LORD.

#### Isaiah 12:3-6

- **3** Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.
- **4** And in that day shall ye say, <u>Praise the LORD</u>, <u>call upon his name</u>, <u>declare his doings among the people</u>, <u>make mention that his name is exalted</u>.
- **5** Sing unto the LORD: for he hath done excellent things; this *is* known in all the earth.
- 6 Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

Proverbs 11:25 The blessing soul will prosper, and he who waters will also be watered himself

#### VIII. The spiritual breath

John 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed into them and said to them, Receive the Holy Spirit.

1 Thessalonians 5:17 Unceasingly pray,

#### Lamentations 3:55-56

55 I called upon thy name, O LORD, out of the low dungeon.

**56** Thou hast heard my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry.


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#### **SPECIAL TOPIC**

# A Heart for Man

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#### **MESSAGE THREE**

#### The Produce of the Riches of Christ— The Church

#### I. The conception and delivery of the church

John 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed into them and said to them, Receive the Holy Spirit.

#### Acts 2:1-2, 4a, 41

**1** And as the day of Pentecost was being fulfilled, they were all together in the same place.

**2** And suddenly there was a sound out of heaven, as of a rushing violent wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

4a And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit...

41 Those then who received his word were baptized, and there were added on that day about three thousand souls.

#### II. The house of God

#### A. The dwelling place of God (rest and expression)

Ephesians 2:22 In whom you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in spirit.

#### Psalm 132:13-14

**13** For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired [it] for his habitation.

14 This [is] my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it.

#### **Ephesians 3:16-17a**

16 That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit into the inner man,

17a That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith...

#### B. The household of God (family)

**Ephesians 2:19** So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,

#### Iohn 1:12-13

12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the authority to become children of God, to those who believe into His name,

13 Who were begotten not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

**1 John 2:13** I write to you, fathers, because you know Him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, young children, because you know the Father.

#### III. The Body of Christ

#### Ephesians 1:22-23a

22 And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church,

23 Which is His Body,

1 Corinthians 12:27 Now you are the Body of Christ, and members individually.

#### A. Taking Christ as Head

#### **Ephesians 4:15-16**

15 But holding to truth in love, we may grow up into Him in all things, who is the Head, Christ,

**16** Out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and *through* the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love.

#### B. An organism filled with the life of Christ

#### Colossians 3:10-11

10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.

#### C. A living entity with every member functioning in life

**Ephesians 4:7** But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

**1 Corinthians 12:15 (Not less than a member)** If the foot should say, Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body, *it is* not *that* because of this it is not of the body.

#### 1 Corinthians 12:21-22 (Not more than a member)

- 21 And the eye cannot say to the hand, I have no need of you; nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.
- **22** But much rather the members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary.

#### IV. The fullness of the One who fills all in all

#### **Ephesians 1:22-23**

22 And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church,

23 Which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all.

#### Ephesians 3:8

To me, less than the least of all saints, was this grace given to announce to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ as the gospel

#### V. The new man

#### **Ephesians 2:14-16**

14 For He Himself is our peace, He who has made both one and has broken down the middle wall of partition, the enmity,

**15** Abolishing in His flesh the law of the commandments in ordinances, that He might create the two in Himself into one new man, so making peace,

16 And might reconcile both in one Body to God through the cross, having slain the enmity by it.

#### Colossians 3:10-11

10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

**11** Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.

#### VI. The bride of Christ (the counterpart of Christ)

#### **Ephesians 5:25-27**

25 Husbands, love your wives even as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her

**26** That He might sanctify her, cleansing *her* by the washing of the water in the word,

27 That He might present the church to Himself glorious, not having spot or wrinkle or any such things, but that she would be holy and without blemish.

#### Ephesians 5:31-32

31 For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall be one flesh.

**32** This mystery is great, but I speak with regard to Christ and the church.

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#### MESSAGE FOUR

### A Normal and Proper Christian Practice For The Building Up of The Body of Christ

The things which you have also learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things; and the God of peace will be with you. (Phil. 4:9)

#### I. Consecration—the basis for every spiritual experience after regeneration

2 Cor. 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels...

Eph. 3:17 That Christ may make His home in your hearts...

Gen. 12:7 And Jehovah appeared to Abram... And there he built an altar to Jehovah who had appeared to him.

Isa. 6:8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send? Who will go for Us? And I said, Here am I; send me.

#### II. Cultivating a personal, intimate, and hidden life with the Lord

S. S. 1:2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth! For your love is better than wine.

Matt. 14:23 And after He sent the crowds away, He went up to the mountain privately to pray. And ... He was there alone.

**Matt. 6:6a** But you, when you pray, enter into your private room, and shut your door and pray to your Father who is in secret...

Isa. 37:31 And the remnant ... of the house of Judah will again take root downward and bear fruit upward.

#### III. Trusting in the Lord's love and wisdom, and fully accepting His sovereignty and ways

**Rom. 8:28** And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to *His* purpose.

**2 Cor. 4:17** For our momentary lightness of affliction works out for us, more and more surpassingly, an eternal weight of glory,

Job 23:10 But He knows the way that I take; should He try me, I would come forth as gold.

#### 1 Pet. 5:7-8, 10

7 Casting all your anxiety on Him because it matters to Him concerning you.

8 Be sober; watch. Your adversary, the devil, as a roaring lion, walks about, seeking someone to devour.

**10** But the God of all grace, He who has called you into His eternal glory in Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a little while, will Himself perfect, establish, strengthen, *and* ground *you*.

#### IV. Pursuing Christ by forgetting the things behind and stretching forward

#### Phil. 3:13-14

**13** Brothers, I do not account of myself to have laid hold; but one thing *I do:* Forgetting the things which are behind and stretching forward to the things which are before,

14 I pursue toward the goal for the prize to which God in Christ Jesus has called *me* upward.

**Josh. 13:1** ... and Jehovah said to him, You are old *and* advanced in age, and very much of the land remains to be possessed.

#### V. Pursuing with companions and developing the habit of meeting regularly

1 Cor. 15:33 Do not be deceived: Evil companionships corrupt good morals.

2 Tim. 2:22 But flee youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

#### Eccl. 4:9-12

**9** Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labor;

10 For if they fall, the one will lift up his companion. But woe to the one who falls and does not have another to lift him up!

11 Again, if two lie together, they keep warm. But how can one be warm *alone?* 

12 And while a man may prevail against the one, the two will withstand him...

**Heb. 10:25** Not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching. [NRSV]

#### VI. Pursuing by forgiving one another

#### Matt. 18:21-22, 32-35

21 Then Peter came and said to Him, Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to seven times?

22 Jesus said to him, I do not say to you, Up to seven times, but, Up to seventy times seven.

**32** Then his master called him to *him* and said to him. Evil slave, all that debt I forgave you, because you begged me.

33 Should you not also have had mercy on your fellow slave even as I had mercy on you?

34 And his master became angry and 1delivered him to the torturers until he would repay all that was owed.

**35** So also will My heavenly Father do to you if each of you does not forgive his brother from your hearts.

**Colossians 3:13** Bearing one another and forgiving one another, if anyone should have a complaint against anyone; even as the Lord forgave you, so also *should* you *forgive*.

#### VII. Pursuing by following the Lord to be fishers of men

#### Matt. 4:18-20

**18** And while He was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen.

19 And He said to them, Come after Me, and I will make you fishers of men.

20 And immediately leaving the nets, they followed Him.

#### 2 Kings 7:3, 8-9

**3** Now there were four leprous men at the entrance of the gate. And they said to one another, Why are we sitting here until we die?

**8** So when these lepers came to the edge of the camp, they entered one tent and began to eat and drink. And they took silver and gold and clothing from there, and went and hid *them*. And they went back and entered another tent and took *things* from there and went and hid *them*.

**9** Then they said to one another, We are not doing right. This day is a day of good tidings, and we remain silent. If we delay until the morning's light, *our* iniquity will find us out. Now therefore, come and let us go and tell the king's household.

#### VIII. Pursuing by shepherding others

**John 21:15-16** Jesus said to Simon Peter, Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these? He said to Him, Yes, Lord, You know that I love You. He said to him, Feed My lambs ... Shepherd My sheep.

#### Matt 26:33 35

33 Then Peter answered and said to Him, If all will be stumbled because of You, I will never be stumbled.

35 ... Even if I must die with You, I will by no means deny You.

1 Pet. 5:2a Shepherd the flock of God among you...

**1 Cor. 13:4a, 7** Love suffers long. Love is kind ... It covers all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

#### 2 Cor. 1:3-4

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassions and God of all comfort;

**4** Who comforts us in all our affliction that we may be able to comfort those who are in every affliction through the comforting with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

#### IX. Living a prophesying life to speak the word of God for the building up of the church

**Psa. 45:1** My heart overflows with a good matter; I speak what I have composed concerning the King. My tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

**John 14:23** ... If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make an abode with him.

#### Iohn 7:37-38

**37** Now on the last day, the great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink

38 He who believes into Me, as the Scripture said, out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.

Acts 24:16 Because of this I also exercise myself to always have a conscience without offense toward God and men.

#### 1 Cor. 14:4, 26, 31

**4** ...he who prophesies builds up the church.

**26** What then, brothers? Whenever you come together, each one has...

**31** For you can all prophesy one by one...

Prov. 11:25 The blessing soul will prosper, and he who waters will also be watered himself.

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# Songs

Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and psalming with your heart to the Lord,

Ephesians 5:19

- 1. Amazing grace
- 2. Before the throne of God
- 3. Come Thou Fount
- 4. In Christ alone
- 5. There is a fountain filled with blood
- 6. Fill my spirit up
- 7. Be Thou my vision
- 8. Have you been to Jesus
- 9. Shout Hosanna, all ye people
- 10. I will enter His gates
- 11. Lord, You are more precious
- 12. Jesus, O living word of God
- 13. Jesus Christ is the rock smitten
- 14. This is the year of Jubilee
- 15. Back in my Father's house again
- 16. Christ in me, Christ in you
- 17. Just taste and see
- 18. Therefore with joy shall ye draw water
- 19. Everybody ought to know
- 20. Recall how David swore
- 21. The gift of righteousness
- 22. Lord Jesus, You're lovely
- 23. Just as I am
- 24. It's by calling Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
- 25. Many weary years I vainly sought a spring
- 26. Lord, I just love You

- That saved a wretch like me
  I once was lost, but now I'm found
  Was blind, but now I see
- 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed
- 3. The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures
- 4. When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun. Than when we first begun.
- Before the throne of God above
   I have a strong, a perfect plea;
   A great High Priest, whose Name is
   Love,
   Who ever lives and pleads for me.
   My name is graven on His hands,
   My name is written on His heart;
   I know that while with God He stands
   No tongue can bid me thence depart,
   No tongue can nid me thence depart.
- 2. When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look, and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free; For God, the Just, is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.
- 3. Behold Him there, the risen Lamb!
  My perfect, spotless Righteousness,
  The great unchangeable I AM,
  The King of glory and of grace.
  One with Himself, I cannot die;
  My soul is purchased by His blood;
  My life is hid with Christ on high,
  With Christ, my Savior and my God,
  With Christ, my Savior and my God.

One with Himself, I cannot die; My soul is purchased by His blood; My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Savior and my God, With Christ, my Savior and my God.

- 1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
  Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
  Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
  Call for songs of loudest praise.
  Teach me, Lord, some rapturous measure,
  Meet for me Thy grace to prove,
  While I sing the countless treasure
  Of my God's unchanging love.
- 2. Here I find my greatest treasure;
  Hither by thy help I've come;
  And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
  Safely to arrive at home.
  Jesus sought me when a stranger,
  Wandering from the fold of God;
  He, to rescue me from danger,
  Bought me with his precious blood.
- 3. O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be!
  Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.
  Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
  Prone to leave the God I love:
  Take my heart, oh, take and seal it With Thy Spirit from above.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love: Take my heart, oh, take and seal it With Thy Spirit from above.

- 1. In Christ alone my hope is found,
  He is my light, my strength, my song;
  This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
  Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
  What heights of love, what depths of peace,
  When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
  My Comforter, my All in All,
  Here in the love of Christ I stand.
- In Christ alone! who took on flesh,
   Fullness of God in helpless babe.
   This gift of love and righteousness,
   Scorned by the ones He came to save:
   Till on that cross as Jesus died,
   The wrath of God was satisfied –
   For every sin on Him was laid;
   Here in the death of Christ I live.
- 3. There in the ground His body lay,
  Light of the world by darkness slain:
  (sing louder!)
  Then BURSTING FORTH in glorious day
  Up from the grave He rose again!
  And as He stands in victory
  Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
  For I am His and He is mine —
  Bought with the precious blood of Christ.
- 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,
  This is the power of Christ in me;
  From life's first cry to final breath,
  Jesus commands my destiny.
  No power of hell, no scheme of man,
  Can ever pluck me from His hand:
  Till He returns or calls me home,
  Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand: Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

- 1. There is a fountain filled with blood
  Drawn from Emmanuel's veins;
  and sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
  Lose all their guilty stains:
  Lose all their guilty stains,
  Lose all their guilty stains;
  And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
  Lose all their guilty stains.
- 2. The dying thief rejoiced to see
  That fountain in his day;
  And there may I, though vile as he,
  Wash all my sins away:
  Wash all my sins away,
  Wash all my sins away;
  And there may I, though vile as he,
  Wash all my sins away.
- 3. Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood Shall never lose its power,
  Till all the ransomed ones of God
  Be saved, to sin no more:
  Be saved, to sin no more,
  Be saved, to sin no more;
  Till all the ransomed ones of God,
  Be saved to sin no more.
- 4. E'er since by faith I saw the stream
  Thy flowing wounds supply,
  Redeeming love has been my theme,
  And shall be till I die:
  And shall be till I die;
  Redeeming love has been my theme,
  And shall be till I die.
- 5. When this poor lisping, stammering tongue Lies silent in the grave,
  Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
  I'll sing Thy power to save:
  I'll sing Thy power to save,
  I'll sing Thy power to save;
  Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
  I'll sing Thy power to save.

I'll sing Thy power to save, I'll sing Thy power to save; Then in a nobler, sweeter song, I'll sing Thy power to save. Fill my spirit up,
 Fill my spirit up,
 Till it overflows
 Right out of my innermost being!

Fill my spirit up, Fill my spirit up, Till it overflows Right out of my innermost being!

Fill me today
Fill me I pray
Oh Lord Jesus, flow as the living water!
Oh Lord Jesus, gush up as the living
spring!
Right out of my innermost being!

2. Break through every part Break through every part Of my mind, emotion, Will, and heart!

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Break through today Break through I pray Oh Lord Jesus, flow as the living water! Oh Lord Jesus, gush up as the living spring! Right out of my innermost being.

3. Flow that river out Flow that river out Whether I might call, Pray, sing, or shout!

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Flow out today
Flow out I pray
Oh Lord Jesus,
Flow as the living water
Oh Lord Jesus,
Gush up as the living spring
Right out of my innermost being

- 1. Be Thou my vision,
  O Lord of my heart;
  Naught be all else to me,
  Save what Thou art.
  Thou my best thought
  By day or by night;
  Waking or sleeping,
  Thy presence my light.
- 2. Be Thou my wisdom,
  And Thou my true word;
  I ever with Thee
  And Thou with me, Lord;
  Thou my great Father,
  And I Thy true son;
  Thou in me dwelling,
  And I with Thee one.
- 3. 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 Thouart.

(Guys sing)
Lord, You are more precious than silver.
Lord, You are more costly than gold.
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds.
And nothing I desire compares to You!

4. High King of heaven,
Thy victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys,
O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart,
Whatever befall,
Still be my vision,
O Ruler of all.

(Girls sing)
Lord, You are more precious than silver.
Lord, You are more costly than gold.
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds.
And nothing I desire compares to You!

(Everyone sing)
5. Be Thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me,
Save what Thou art.
Thou my best thought
By day or by night;
Waking or sleeping,
Thy presence my light.

1. Have you been to Jesus for the cleansing pow'r? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb? Are you fully trusting in His grace this hour? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

> Are you washed in the blood, In the soul-cleansing blood of the Lamb? Are your garments spotless? Are they white as snow? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

- 2. Are you walking daily by the Savior's side? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb? Do you rest each moment in the Crucified? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?
- 3. When the Bridegroom cometh will your robes be white! Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb? Will your soul be ready for His presence bright, And be washed in the blood of the Lamb?.
- 4. Lay aside the garments that are stained with sin. And be washed in the blood of the Lamb; There's a fountain flowing for the soul unclean. O be washed in the blood of the Lamb.

Psa. 100:4; 118:24

I will enter His gates with Thanksgiving in my heart; I will enter His courts with praise! I will say, This is the day that the Lord has made, I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

He has made me glad, He has made me glad. I will rejoice for He has made me glad. He has made me glad, He has made me glad. I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

- 1. Shout Hosanna, all ye people, Christ defeated every evil; We unite with one accord; Praise Thee, ever cong'ring Lord. Nevermore we fear the devil, Christ destroyed him on the cross, Stripping off the authorities; Now we live His victory. God of peace now crushes Satan Under overcoming feet; Our rejoicing overthrows him, Shaming every enemy.
- 2. All day long sing hallelujahs In the train of vanquished foes; Through our praise we never leave, Seated with Him at the throne. Never let the lies deceive you; Christ has shut the serpent's mouth; Claim the fact that we have seen him In the lake of fire now.
- 3. Soon the earth cries out, exalting Our returning, shining Lord; Until then we praise and sing; All the glory's to our King. Consummated corporate warrior, New Jerusalem are we, One with our ascended Husband, Lord of lords and King of kings.
- 4. Hallelujah, Christ the Conqueror, Every day we're one with Him, (slowlu) Walking in Him constantly, Living Christ our vic-tor-y!

Lord, You are more precious than silver. Lord, You are more costly than gold. Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds.

And nothing I desire compares to You!

2. Lord, Your love is wider than the ocean. Lord, Your love is deeper than the sea. Lord, Your love encompasses the nations, And that is all I want to live in me.

Jesus, O living Word of God,
 Wash me and cleanse me with Your
 blood,
 So You can speak to me.
 Just let me hear Your words of grace;
 Just let me see Your radiant face,
 Beholding constantly.

Jesus, living Word, My heart thirsts for Thee. Of Thee I'd eat and drink, Enjoy Thee thoroughly.

2. Jesus, most precious One to me, I want to seek You constantly, So You can spread through me. I would just call upon Your name, Open to You; I have no shame Loving You, Jesus Lord.

Jesus, precious One, Be so real to me. You are all I want; I open wide to Thee.

3. Jesus, O living One in me, Open my eyes that I might see All that You are to me. Just let me enter in Your heart; Never from You would I depart, Loving You constantly.

> Jesus, living One, Flood me thoroughly. Take my willing heart And overcome in me.

4. Lord, I want You to have Your way. Save me from being Satan's prey; I am believing You. All I can give to You, my Lord, Is my whole being, love outpoured; Lord, I belong to You.

> Jesus, faithful God, Gain us through and through. Use us thoroughly To see Your purpose through.

1. Jesus Christ is the rock smitten,
Who was struck to save me from sin.
Living water did from Him burst,
And streamed forth to allay my thirst.

He's the rock who's following me! He just wants me to take a drink. And now I am never alone! I'm followed by this living stone.

2. When I'm thirsty to Him I speak, Then He gives me abundant drink. As the rock He is standing by, To flow out to me His supply.

> So I know wherever I go, I can drink His life-giving flow. He's the rock who's following me, Giving His life abundantly.

3. If deep down you are feeling dry, There's a way to have His supply— God wants you to speak to the rock, All the time in your daily walk.

> Open your mouth—speak to the Lord! Then the water will be outpoured. He's the rock who's following you, Waiting to give you a drink true.

And we know wherever we go, We can drink His life-giving flow. He's the rock who's following us, Flowing out His life bounteous. The Lord has given freedom
To all who just believe Him.
Be no longer enslaved.
Come now! Return to Jesus.
Receive the Life that frees us!
Call on Him and be saved.

This is the year of jubilee!
Proclaim our liberty in Him!
Throughout the land we sound out:
The slaves have been returned to Him,
Released from toil, anxiety, and sin!
This is the year of jubilee!

 Reclaim the land, our portion, God as our rich possession. Feast on Him ev'ry day! Enjoy Him with God's fam'ly; Find satisfaction and peace. Here forever to stay!

> This is the year of jubilee! Proclaim our liberty in Him! Throughout the land we sound out: The slaves have been returned to Him, Released from toil, anxiety, and sin! This is the year of jubilee!

1. I'm so happy here,
With my Father dear,
Once lost, now I'm near again!
(It was) First His smiling face,
Then His warm embrace,
I'm surprised by grace again!

I was lost, now I'm found again! I was dead, but now I live! Come rejoice with us, and be merry then. Back in my Father's house again!

2. Robe, ring, sandals on
And my hunger's gone!
Back where I belong, again!
(Because He) Clothed me thoroughly,
(And then He) Reinstated me!
(Now I'm) Back in the family again!

I was lost, now I'm found again! I was dead, but now I live! Come rejoice with us, and be merry then. Back in my Father's house again!

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Oh what a mystery! Christ in you, Christ in me! Oh what a victory! Christ in you, Christ in me!

Christ is in you, though the body's dead because of sin. The spirit's life because of righteousness. (Romans 8:10)

God willed to make known the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. (Colossians 1:27)

Test yourselves, prove yourselves. Or do you not realize that Jesus Christ is in you? (2 Corinthians 13:5)

I am crucified with Christ and it is no longer I who live but it is Christ who lives in me!

Just taste and see that the Lord is good;

Just taste and see that the Lord is good.

He's good for you, as He is for me;So whatever you do, just taste and see.2. Just call O Lord—He'll change your life;Just call O Lord-He'll change life.

Just call O Lord-He'll change life.
Amazing grace He will afford
If in every place you call O Lord.

 You'll feel real love coming into your heart;
 You'll feel real love coming into your heart.
 You'll sense a flow from God above;
 And you will know you've found real love.

4. So praise the Lord for His life in you; Yes, praise the Lord for His life in you. Something of Christ He has outpoured Into your life; so praise the Lord! 18

Isaiah 12:3-6
Therefore with joy shall ye draw water
Out of the wells of salvation.
And in that day shall ye say,
Praise the Lord.

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Call upon His name,
Declare His doings among the people,
Make mention that His name is exalted.
Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion:
For great is the Holy One of Israel in the
midst of thee.

#### Isaiah 51:11

Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return,

And come with singing unto Zion; And everlasting joy shall be upon their head.

Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return, And come with singing unto Zion; And everlasting joy shall be upon their head.

They shall obtain gladness and joy; And sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return, And come with singing unto Zion; And everlasting joy shall be upon their head. 1. Everybody ought to know;
(Everybody ought to know)
Everybody ought to know;
(Everybody ought to know)
Everybody ought to know;
(Everybody ought to know)
Where Jesus dwells.
(Repeat)

He is dwelling in our spirit; He is Breath and Life to us; We are one with Him in spirit. Everybody ought to know.

2. Everybody ought to know;
(Everybody ought to know)
Everybody ought to know;
(Everybody ought to know)
Everybody ought to know;
(Everybody ought to know)
Where Jesus dwells.
(Repeat)

He is the life-giving Spirit; All God's fullness He contains; We partake of all His riches Just by calling on His Name.

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- Recall how David swore,
   "I'll not come into my house,
   Nor go up to my bed,
   Give slumber to mine eyelids,
   Until I find a place for Thee,
   A place, O Lord, for Thee."
   Our mighty God desires a home
   Where all His own may come.
- 2. How blinded we have been,
  Shut in with what concerns us;
  While God's house lieth waste—
  Lord, break through, overturn us;
  We'll go up to the mountain,
  Bring wood and build the house;
  We'll never say, "Another day!"
  It's time! We'll come and build!
- 3. O Lord, against these days,
  Inspire some for Your building,
  Just as in David's day—
  A remnant who are willing
  To come and work in Your house,
  Oh, what a blessed charge!
  Your heart's desire, is our desire—
  We come, O Lord, to build.
- 4. Within those whom You'd call
  Put such a restless caring
  For building to give all—
  These times are for preparing;
  The gates of hell cannot prevail
  Against the builded Church!
  The hours are few, the builders too—
  Lord, build, O build in us!

The gates of hell cannot prevail Against the builded Church! The hours are few, the builders too— Lord, build, O build in us!  The gift of righteousness is Measured in abundance.
 The depths of His love I'll never understand.
 His love reaches me and you; His mercy goes farther too.
 The One on the throne of God Is called the Lamb.

So why not open up and Call His name "O Lord"? Find your spirit where His grace Has been outpoured. Call His name, Taste His grace, Exercise before His face! He's longing and yearning. He's hoping and waiting. He's ever desiring For you To turn to Him.

2. He knows your deepest thought, Your every situation.
He understands your heart,
He knows your history.
There's nothing in His way.
He's just waiting for you to say,
"Lord Jesus, my wandering heart I give to Thee."

So why not open up and Call His name "O Lord"? Find your spirit where His grace Has been outpoured. Call His name, Taste His grace, Exercise before His face! He's longing and yearning. He's hoping and waiting. He's ever desiring For you To turn to Him.

1. Lord Jesus, You're lovely. You're more to be desired Than any earthly pleasure.

- You're fine, beyond compare. Lord Jesus, Your beauty Does far exceed all others. You're comely and You're tender. You're radiant and You're fair.
- 2. When I behold You, Jesus, You draw my heart completely. I cannot turn away, Lord, I rest in Your embrace; And time is gone, there's only Your holy, matchless presence. Abiding in You, gazing Upon Your glorious face.
- 3. I give my life to You, Lord, For You alone are worthy. There's nothing and there's no one That I desire but You. May all my days be Yours, Lord, My heart be given to love You, To treasure and to serve You By Your sufficient grace.

- 1. Just as I am, without one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee, Lamb of God, I come! I come!
- 2. Just as I am, and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot; To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot. O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
- 3. Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt; Fightings within, and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
- 4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind; Yes, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
- 5. Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
- 6. Just as I am, Thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down; Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

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1. Fallen, that's the way we all begin: Imprisoned by the evil fate we're in. How can we from this hard world of sin be saved?

Just by calling Jesus, Jesus! Every moment, each day! Calling on the name of Jesus—We're finding is the way. It's Jesus! Lord Jesus!

- 2. Even though we love the Lord so much, Somehow, it seems we get out of touch with Jesus, how can we be freed from such distress?
- 3. Sometimes we know we aren't being real. Then times, we just live by how we feel. Is there some way we could ever deal with self?
- 4. Christians, scattered throughout all the earth are wond'ring—Lord, where is Your bride of worth? How can all those of the second birth be one?
- Calling, you'll find this will fill your lack.
   And calling, is going to bring the
   Bridegroom back.
   Let's all, stand upon this glorious fact
   today!

 Many weary years I vainly sought a spring, One that never would run dry; Unavailing all that earth to me could bring, Nothing seemed to satisfy.

Drinking at the Fountain that never runs dry,
Drinking at the Fountain of life am I;
Finding joy and pleasure
In abounding measure,
I am drinking at the Fountain of life.

- Through the desert land of sin I roam no more, For I find a living Spring, And my cup of gladness now is running o'er, Jesus is my Lord and King.
- Here is sweet contentment as the days go by, Here is holy peace and rest; Here is consolation as the moments fly, Here my heart is always blest.
- 4. Here I find a never ending, sure supply, While the endless ages roll; To this healing Fountain I would ever fly, There to bathe my weary soul.

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Lord, I just love You. And there's no One like You. In the whole universe I have no other One like You. Lord Jesus, I love You.

# I PURSUE TOWARD THE GOAL

PHIL. 3:14