

God's love and Care.

Psalms 27 Isaiah 40:1-31 MT 70 10-77

V. 14 "Wait on the Lord: be
of good courage, and he
shall strengthen thine
heart: wait, I say, on
the Lord.

I Fear grips the hearts of
many people.

V. 1

V. 5 answer Rock - place of safety
also Fear thou not for I am with thee!

II V. 10 when father and
mother forsake.
Orphan children.

III Do you have a weak
heart.

V. 14.

Even youths shall faint
and be weary and the
young men shall utterly
fall.

Strength for what

1 To overcome the devil

2 To help other

Illus. Help me help
somebody ^{at} from chief
in Russellville

Illus. Nothing more pitiful
than a team that has
lost heart.

The Shining Way

M.T. 9-77

Script. Prov. 4:1-19

text V 18 But the path of the just is as the shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

^{Intro} Long farther on the way grows brighter count the mile - stone one by one. Jesus will forsake us never. It is better farther on.

I The Wicked
are like the troubled sea.
V 19 The way of the wicked is as darkness; they know not at what they stumble.

Examp^{les} Mouldy Moral, Elvis Presley.

Divorce rate 1 to 3

suicide 3rd most common
cause of death ages 15-24
life not worth living

The path of the just
a way of real lasting
love.

The home the prayers together,
stays together

a way of peace and
rest of conscience.

Jesus is the prince of
peace.

Ch 3: 5 Trust in the Lord
with all thine heart and
lean not unto thine own
understanding, in all thy
ways acknowledge him,
and he shall direct thy paths.

Home at last. M.T. 71

Scripture Isaiah 35: ⁷⁴ 98-77
text: v 10 and the ransomed
of the Lord shall return,
and come to Zion with
songs and everlasting joy
upon their heads: they
shall obtain joy and
gladness, and sorrow and
sighing shall flee away."

Intra. In this life there
is a lot of sorrow and
sighing.

I Sighing because.

A. of sin in the world.

1. Adam and Eve cast out
of the garden.

2. Cain killed Abel.

Forevers sighing because
of children gone astray.

Sighing because of war.
Illust. Mother couldn't keep
back the tears.

Sighing because of sickness
Mother over child.

Illust. Rosie sighing over
Elaine.

Sorrow -

1. Comes to all.
2. The gayest and most
fun loving of all.
Sorrow separates.

3. Godly couple.

live together 50 years.

Sorrow comes.

Illust. My father.
Mother taken and he is
left.

II Home coming time
will come.

Illust. Tribes of Israel
coming to the temple at
Jerusalem. songs and
praise. returned to their
homes. found sorrow and
sighing.

Illust. When I went
home, at the gate
in the house, at the table.

III Final home coming.

Eyes of blind shall
be opened.

Tails of life are passed.
sorrow and sighing
flee away.

Conclusion I home at last

THE TWO WAYS

M.T. 70

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Text: Mathew 7:13, 14.

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Intro.

There are two ways and only two. We are today walking in one or the other.

We have entered either the wide gate or the strait gate. We walk in the broad way or the narrow way.

The one leads to destruction. The other leads to life eternal.

THE WIDE GATE AND THE BROAD WAY

1. A Gate is an entrance into something
Here it points to the great moral truth there are critical and ~~####~~ ~~###~~ decisive points in life to which men come.
 - a. It is a wide gate meaning it is not hard to find and all classes of people enter it.
2. The way is broad meaning that all kinds of persons may walk in it.
 - A. Some on the darker side of the road.
 1. Gangsters, outlaws, Murders, moral degenerates, Drunkards, ~~Gamblers~~
 - B. Some are on the side of the road nearest the narrow way.
 1. Good Moral People, Having a form of Godliness but denying the power thereof. Liars, Unbelieving, Lovers of self, rather than lovers of God. Church members from every church under the sun.
 - C. They are all on the broad way and their destination is the same.

THE STRAIT GATE AND THE NARROW WAY.

1. The building of this gate and way was not easy. It cost Jesus Christ the son of God His life.

a. Easy for God to create, to walk on the waves of the sea, to feed thousands of people with a few loaves of bread, to heal those who were sick.

Not so easy to get one person to enter the strait and narrow way.

1. even the angels rejoice over one sinner that repenteth.

2. Sin the only thing that keeps people from entering in.

a. The first condition at this gate, is repentance A Godly sorrow for our sins

1. Ro. 6:23. The wages of sin is death:

but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

2. If we confess our sins etc.

b. Believing and trusting only in the Lord Jesus Christ as your saviour

Believe and be saved. Disbelieve and be damned.

C. The way is narrow but seems wider as you walk in it.

Pr. 4:18

But the path of the just is as the shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.

1. the way means self denial but gives great joy.

D. It is a way of sincerity.

No men's formalists or hypocrites shall enter it.

E. All affections must set on things above.

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God

F. It means loving God with all our heart and our neighbor as ourself.

- G. It means leaving all for Christ.
 - 1. no matter what others think or say
- F. It means restitution.
- G. It means consecration and sanctification.
 - 1. A life completely surrendered to God to use as He sees best.

H. It means forsaking all that is sinful in the world.

I. It means telling others about this way and urging them to walk in it.

LLL It IS A STRAIT GATE AND A NARROW WAY BUT the rewards are everlasting.

Tell about in Revelations.

a. no more death, tears, sighing.

live forever in eternal bliss.

FEW WHO ENTER IN

open chances on few

There are few who find the way to heaven: fewer yet who abide anytime in it; fewer still who walk in it; and fewest of all who persevere unto the end. Nothing renders this way either narrow or difficult to any person, but sin. Let all the world leave their sins, and all the world may walk abreast in this good way.

Conclusion.

There are only two Gates and there are only two ways. Which will you take. The way of sin leads to death. the way of righteousness leads to life eternal.

The way of life is open today why not take a vantage of your opportunities now.

John 16: 33 These things have I spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Intra. The 14, 15, 16 ch Jesus speak to his disciples that they might have peace.

There are things that bring peace to the soul and there are things that war against the soul.

1 Peter 2: 11 Dearly beloved I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul.

Jesus said: Jhr 14: 27

Peace I leave with you:
my peace I give unto you:
not as the world giveth
give I unto you. Let not
your heart be troubled
neither let it be afraid.

I The peace the World gives.

A. The peace when one nation
defeats another.

B. Peace in drugs.
alcohol.

C. Pleasure seeking.

II The peace that Jesus gives
on other Paper

Easter offering, Peace. Easter sunrise service,

S.R. John 14:21-31

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Mornings. MT. 7

text John 14:27

live more aug. 51

Peace I leave with you my peace I
give unto you: not as the world giveth
gives I unto you. Let not your heart
be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Intro.

There are two words that are the exact
opposite Peace and War.

both words have a ~~very~~ lot of meaning
for all people of the earth today.

1 whether we have peace with
all of its blessing or war
with its hate and cursings
makes a lot of difference.

Our text implies there are two
kind of Peace. What the
world gives, What Jesus gives.

I The Peace that the world gives.

1 among nations.

② War the opposite.

Illustr. # Beach landing in N. D.
1 Brissminers, Wata, Yeostack.

Illustr. Emerson hates the effects of War.
Coming of Peace.

2 a wonderful feeling when
Peace came.

③ The sky was brighter
all hearts were lighter
the thought of coming
so close at last was.

almost beyond description.

2 We have almost forgotten it now.

3 We are wistfully hoping and trusting our peace will remain. But the threat of war after losing our priority on the atom Bomb. gives us a sickening feeling.

① War always strikes fear into the hearts of men.

② Peace strikes a note of hope and joy. a pleasant sound in every ear.

③ Peace and joy is not satisfying.

B. Peace found in drunkenness. Only ends in greater condemnation. Illus. Iron who came in, then drunk.

See previous passage.

"The wicked are like the troubled sea"

II of the peace that Jesus gives.

A For those who do not ~~turn~~ surrender to Jesus there is a war going on.

B. Those early morning thoughts that time when we are all alone and God speaks to us. What anxious care we have when thinking of the life we have lived.

How like Felix we tremble within ourselves.

there is no peace for the wicked.

There is a war going on inside
Conscience is a hard foe to fight
against. But it is possible to
defeat. But only leaves us with
a fearful terror in our hearts
when we think of dying God.

C. The only lasting place is that
which Jesus gives.

1. It passeth all understanding

A. Being justified by faith —

Jesus the Prince of Peace,

D. Place in the midst of the
most adverse circumstances.

Illus. Mrs. Stackliff.

Christian in adverse circumstances

B. We have a conscience void
of offence toward God.

1 our quiet hours a rest
and not a restless

4. Peace.

2. There is therefore no
condemnation to them that
are in Christ Jesus.

Conclusion.

Jesus came to give peace.

1. Not to all the world but
only to those who surrender
to him.

The peace that the world
gives is but for a time

The peace Jesus gives is with
us at all times as we
continue to live for Him.
Even in the darkest hours
of sorrow pain or death.
It passeth all understanding
and it is for you if you
will receive Him today.

Sing Peace, Peace, Wonderful Peace

Oh the peace that Jesus gives

The Life of the Soul. Mt. 9-72

Prov. 14:14 - 23

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T. V. 23 "Keep thy heart with
all diligence for out of it
are the issues of life." 74

Intro. In the physical body
the life is in the blood
without this red stream
flowing the body will die
it supplies every cell with
food and takes away all the
impurities. Leukemia is a
disease of the blood it destroys
the red corpuscles of the blood.
The heart is the organ that keeps
this stream of life going.

The heart refers to the heart
or the soul of man as
controlling all the thoughts
and actions whether good or
bad. Out of the abundance
of the heart the mouth
speaketh.

When a murder is committed
it comes from the heart.
a robbery, a lie, ^{adultery}, a mad
fit, a kindness, words of
comfort, helpfulness, incouragement,
love. issues of life.

¶ Unless the heart of man
is changed outside help will
be of no avail.

Ex. new clothes, a good house
a good car.

¶ The heart must be
changed. Sin is the disease
of the soul. Only God has
the remedy, through redemption,
Sanctification.

Jails; penitentiaries, reforms
laws will not change
punishment will not change.

The law must be in the
heart.

IV How to keep.

1. Be diligent work at the job. by prayer, meditation the study of the word and by united worship.
2. Continually watch your attitudes ^{examine} and your ^{confess} desires. ^{of} are they all for the glory of God.
3. Keep humble and unfellly engaged in working for God.

The Place of Blessing
Gen. 32:27-29 495 Cloverport 558
"He blessed him there" ^{Traces 58}
Intro. the Dramatic Story ⁶⁶ 7-73

Jacob
no place is so strange or 74
unlikely to meet God.

Jacob by the Brook
Moses on the desert
Eliphaz in a cave
Ezra by a stream in Babylon
Samaritan women by a well
Soul of torments along a Courtyard
Illusion. Latin American I do
A dias A dias! Christus

Jacob learned any place
can be followed when
certain internal conditions
are met.

Some needed grace, some
required cleansing, some
impoverishment.

Let us see the significant
features of this place
of Blessing.

I. a place of separation
"and Jacob was left
alone."

A. Aleast Story.

20 years ago!

Esau comes with 400 armed
men.

B. Jacob Shrewdly Self/protect

Note

It was taken along the heavenly
wisdom come.

Joshua. Saw man with drawn sword.
Isaiah. Saw the Lord greater than all kings.
John the Baptist alone in the wilderness.
Paul alone on the probation desert
when he saw the road of the
Jesus Christ.

C. The most courageous hour
in any man's life! Is the
hour he honestly face himself!

II after the place of blessing
is a place of struggle.

"then wrestled with him
a man until the breaking of
the day" V. 24.

A. God has a hard time to get
us to surrender.

B. Jacob a double minded man
illust.

Illust. of a resurrection in Phil.

1. The severity of the struggle
indicates the richness of blessing.

III The place of blessing is
the place of submission.

A. Jacob said Bless me
Bless me. I will not
let thee go.

B. The condition of blessing

A your name please.

C. Name changed a new
nature. Israel.

He handed over to God
the last. That
and blessing come.

"Higher than the highest heavens.
Deeper than the deepest sea.
Lord, thy love at last hath
conquered;
Grant me now my soul's petition.
None of self, and all of thee!"

IV Best of all a place
of splendor
from separation, through struggle
and submission to splendor.

A new nature.

N.M.J.

Not brain power

not leg power

not will power.

The power of prayer, and love, and
faith and humility.

B. of the son God better than ever
before.

Illust. little Joseph.

Conclusion.
A new day. "The sun rose
upon him.

"And he blessed him there."

M.T. 77
Proper meeting

Judges 7 21 And they stood
every man in his place
round about the camp.
3 hundred brought victory
against the Midianites.

Jesus said.

John 4:35

Say not ye there are 4
months and then cometh
harvest.

Luke 10:2

The harvest truly is
plenteous but the laborers
are few.

Ps 126:5

They that sow in tears
shall reap in joy.

God's Excellent Way. MT. 77
Psalms.
Script. 19:1-14

V 7 God's law is perfect
Converting the soul.
i: ¹ ~~the~~ your sins be as scarlet
A great change comes about
God can take the worst of
people. ^{in twice four men} ~~Old boy Dumb.~~
Eldest. Bud Robinson.

V 8. Statues of the Lord are
right, rejoicing the heart.
1. The way of sin are so
full of disappointment.
like the troubled sea which
cannot rest.
B The path of the just is
as a shining light.

V 8. Commandment is pure
enlightening the eyes.
sin dull the eyes and
darken the countenance.
Salvation makes such a
great change. altar scenes.

V 9. The fear of the Lord is
clean, enduring for ever
Cursing and Hating Gods name
is a lack of fear of the
Lord.

fearing the Lord and walking
in his ways bring peace
and rest.

V 10. Better than Gold.

men live for money.

Illustr. John D. Rockefeller.

How many songs are written
telling of the satisfaction
of money.

Thousand of songs are written
telling of the satisfaction found
in God.

Hallelu to I have found him
whom my soul so long had
craved. Jesus satisfies my longing.

V 10 Sweeter than Honey

'Tis so sweet to trust in
Jesus, just to take Him
at His word.

VII we are warned by them
1. of eternal punishment.
Great reward.
1. Everlasting life.

VIIII ~~we~~ can understand his
errors. ? Cleanse me from
secret faults.
1. By the conviction of the
Holy spirit -

VIII Inocent of the great
Transgression

VIIII Let the word of my
mouth

HUMILITY

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Scripture Reading: I Peter 5;1-6.

Text: I Peter 5,6.

All of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time.

Intro.

John, 13:14-15
The man unlearned of God is a fool.

1. Regardless of education, talents, position etc.
2. Because he calls evil good and good evil, Bitter sweet and seet bitter, Light darkness and darkness light.
 - a. Humility and pride is a good example.

pride comes after destruction of a
crucial spirit
I. Humility to those untought of God is a vice

- A. The Greeks considered it the temper of the slave
- B. Before the teaching of Christ there was no place in the world for the spirit of Humility.
 1. A vice of nature to be avoided.

- a. not consistent with their way of living.

II. Christ taught that humility was to constitute the life of every christian.

- A. "He that exalteth himself shall be abased, and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."
- B. Peter one of the three closest disciples teaches us to be clothed with humility.
- C. In James we find "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble".
- D. The Apostle Paul writes to Philippians "Let nothing be done through strife and vain glory, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than himself"

to the Colossians, "Put on therefore as the elect of God holly and beloved bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering.

III. Peter speaks of it as a garment.

A. All-surrounding, all sides alike.

1. Pride the parent of all vices
2. Humility the pervading element of the humble.

B. The garment which braces and secures all the rest.

C. The Gospel proclaimed that humility was not the virtue of weakness but the highest life,

D. Jesus the highest of all proclaimed Himself the servant of all.

IV.

If I come not to be ministered to
St Augustine said that Humility is the Vessel of the graces:

Ill#. Vase of flowers. Flower pot

A. God giveth grace to the humble

1. In the soil of the proud heart no grace can grow.

V. "Be subject all of you one to another."

A. Be clothed with the garment of a servant

1. No doubt peter was thinking of the time Jesus girt Himself with a towel and washed the disciples feet

B. Jesus said "Learn of me, for I am meek and lowly of heart."

1. Humility is the social grace which binds the christian church together.
 - a. It does not blind us to our own abilities but not to think of ourselves more highly than we ought to think.

VI. Humble yourself under the mighty hand of God.

A. God resisteth the proud

1. all must humble themselves before finding God. *as a little child*

Ill #. King saul. Jezeble, Herod.

Saton Himself was proud.

Hitler

Refused the Pharaohs

Vll. He giveth grace to the humble.

A. Humility is the empty vessel
without it we cannot recieve the
living water which Crist gives.

Vlll. He will exalt you in due time.

Ill.# Lazarus

Conclusion.

Now is the time that the guests are being prepared for that great marriage feast. The feast will soon be ready. The guests are geathering now in the church below. Some think they are entitled to a good place, and some who are taking lowly seats, conscious of their unworthiness. like the publican---- But in that day when the King comes some will be obliged with shame to take the lowest place, and some be excluded altogether, even though thet have high standing and profession, some on the lower seats shall heare the Bridgroom say. "Friend, come up higher,"

Just remember that it is written.

"Everyone that exalteth himself shall be abased and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

1. Did Jesus Procture Being Humble?

2. Do you know of any great men of the bible who were humble.

3. How are we to be humble.

promises to the humble.

Power for Service

Script. acts 1: 1-9 ^{Mt. 11-77} good results

Text vs. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judaea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Intra. power to live a Christian life and power for service is of great concern to those who would follow Christ.

Luke 24: 49. Jesus said Tarry until ye receive power from on High.

What do we need power for.
1 to be an effective witness

Illust. Disciples.

needed, power over self, for love
Pride, Jealousy, carnal anger, Compassion
A.W.B. should be the greatest.

B. cowardly, all forsaken and
fled.

C. Peter afraid and denied the
Lord.

D. Power to witness, went
everywhere preaching the
word. As they stopped
them. Persecution,
beatings, prisons,
threatenings, etc.

II Disciples realized
the importance of the
Spirits filling.

acts 8: 14 - 17

they had received water
baptism and were believers
but the Holy Ghost had not
fallen on any of them.

Disciples at Ephesus.
acts 19: 2 "Have ye received
the Holy Ghost since ye
believed.

A. This was the great
concern in the early
Church and should be
today. If not, then why
not?

Sing Come Holy Spirit

Do you need the power
of the Holy Spirit
If so, Come.