

Stayed on God. Song 385

Script. Isaiah 26: ~~2~~ 3, 4

Thou wilt keep him in **MT. 76**
perfect peace, whose mind
is stayed on thee; because
he trusteth in thee.

What should be the attitude
of a Christian when placed
in a difficult and trying
situation - a simple and
unwavering trust in God.
look about it. The only
way is to live very close
to God.

Illust. a jet plane finds
a great calm at 30 thousand
feet or more.

Jesus said. "If thou canst
believe all things are
possible to him, that believeth

a story told of a little
pilgrim boat sitting on the
seashore recounting their losses.
a stranger seeming from
all sorrow free" said.

Sad losses have ye met
But mine is heavier yet;
For a believing heart hath
gone from me.

"Alas!" said the pilgrims:
"Thine, stranger, is life's
last and heaviest loss".

Illust. one of Dr Puttours
noting teachers come in
hot and exhausted after
a long walk. He threw
himself down on the cane
chair, put his feet on another
and wiping his forehead
he used a word which meant

"I'm resting my whole weight
here."

Faith has nothing to rest
upon but God's inviolable
Word! "Let us hold fast
the profession of our faith
without wavering;
" for he is faithful that
promised Heb 10:23.

Such faith is found
in our extremities
pressed into knowing
no help but God."

Faith is not a magic
drug, a spiritual
anæsthetic; it is the
victory that overcometh
the world by doing battle
with it.

Have faith in God -
It is accounted for your Righteousness

Faith, mighty faith,
tho' promise sees,
and looks to God alone,
laughs at impossibilities
and cries, 'It shall be done!'

THE GREAT INVITATION

Rev. 22:17 "And the Spirit and the Bride say, come. and let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

Matt. 11:28,29,30.

Intro.

The best news of salvation is that we all have an invitation to partake of it.

I. The challenge. V. 28

A. The burden of sin is heavy, The load of sin causes wearyness.

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B. God only says to come and find rest for your souls. "Taste and see that the Lord is Good.

Illus. Jesus Saves on skid row in Los Angeles.

II, The Condition. v. 29.

The yoke

An impliment of service.

How easy and how light.

The Lord is a son and shield, No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly. "No man that hath left father or mother or brother or sister for my sake and the gospel, But shall receive manifold more in this life and in the life to come life everlasting."

"All things work together for good them that love God."

"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him and delivereth them."

He shall give his angels cahрге concerning thee and in their hands they shall bear thee up lest an any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.

III. The Promise. v. 30

And ye shall find rest for your souls

"There is no pease saith my God for the wicked. The wicked are loke the troubled sea.

Christ at the Door

Rev 3: 20

Close your

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But the Lord never forced His way into anyones heart or life.

He waits for an invitation.

I. If any one hears my voice.

1. May I come in.

A. Some are asleep.

B. Some are so busy with other things.

C. Some are acting as though they did not hear.

D. Some hear but will not open the door.

E. Some open the door and let Him in only to thrust Him out again.

The price to pay

II. How God works.

1. The 1st time you told a lie.

Comes
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2. When you get into trouble.
 3. God knocks when you are afraid.
 4. He knocks when sorrow comes.
 5. He knocks when sickness comes.
 6. Business failure.
 7. Revival time.
 8. Lone hours of the night.
- Mrs. Wilson.

III Death never knocks with rights in.

IV If you open the door,
He never yet refused
an invitation.

I will sup. here communion
fellowship. He will feed
you on the bread of life.

"I am come that they might
have life, and that they might
have it more abundantly.
Jesus is the bread of
life.
Will you come, will you
come."

The Call to Arms.

Scripture Read. Ephesians 6:10-18

Text. V.11

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Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

Intro.

We as Christians are in a battle. We are opposing the forces of evil in the world.

our reason for fighting is to keep ourselves free from the chains of sin and darkness and to help to free others from its terrible power.

We are fighting against principles powers against the rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

We are fighting against the devil and His angles

Not flesh and blood. We cannot see or find them they are invisible forces in the world.

Carnel weapons will not tough them they come to us with out sound or footfall. they assail the will and conscience. They follow us into the regions of spiritual thought. of prayer and meditation.

I. We must take unto ourselves the armour of God

A. The Girdle of Truth

1. Military belt which binds all the loose under garments so that the soldier can be free to fight.
 - a. Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.

B. The brestplate of righteousness.

A defensive weapon protects the vital organs.

The word says, if our hearts condemn us not

then have we confidence toward God."

C. Our feet shod with the gospel shoes,
Shoes sturdy and make our footing shone
and steadfast.

D. In our ~~left~~ hand taking the shield of faith.

1. Faith is the victory that overcomes the world.
2. Without faith it is impossible to please God

E. The helmet of salvation.

Keeps us from being crushed by the
tempters power. the power that tries to
defile the mind and cause it to disbelief.

f. The sword of the spirit the word of God.

Great offensive weapon.

"The word of God is quick and powerful and
sharper than any two edged sword. piercing
even to the dividing assunder of the joints
and marrow and of the soul and spirit.
and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents
of the hearts.

G. Prayer is the source of strength
gives us the power to use all the other
weapons without that strength we fail.

Conclusion.

Men fight for freedom here on this earth.
and obtain it only temporarily.

The Christian fights for freedom and obtains
it for all eternity.

Last Opportunity. Closeport

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Scripture. Acts 26.

Text. Joel 3 : 14

Multitudes, Multitudes in
the valley of decision.

I. Agrippa Symp of a lost
man.

A. Convinced but no
action taken.

B. Condemned by his own
words.

Illus. Demons plan
for more downfall.

C. A pointy never
had another choice.

II. There is always a
dead line in every life

1, 17

last opportunity.

Days of putting off
and trifling end.

III Behold now is the
accepted time, Behold
today is the day of
salvation.

Seek ye the Lord while
he may be found Call
ye upon him while
He is near.

Song.

almost persuaded.

Offspring - Plevins Romans ~~Spencer~~
God Will Work - When *Chowhant 87*
Scripture Judges 4-5 *Morgantown - 7-67*

Text: "Praise ye the Lord for the avenging of Israel, when the people willingly offered themselves (Judg. 5:2). 1-9

Introduction:

A. Israel in trouble again.

1. Jabin king of Canan oppressed them twenty years. had nine hundred chariots of iron.

B. Deborah and Barak meet under a palm tree.

C. Jabin defeated and Sisera His captain Killed.

I. God's Victory - God Will Avenge His People.

A. God brought the victory to Israel. He did this many times.

Moses and the Exodus, Joshua and Jericho, Gideon, etc.

B. Will bring victory to the church. Revivals.

C. Will bring victory to the individual.

David and the giant, Daniel in the lions' den, the three Hebrew children.

II. God's Timetable - "When the People Willingly Offered themselves."

A. God must have a channel through which to Work. Here the people offered themselves. It looked impossible.

1. The Battle is not ours but the Lord's

B. Victory comes to the church - when we willingly give ourselves.

C. To the individual. Daniel prayed three times a day. The Hebrew children would not bow down, and God gave them victory.

Conclusion: There is one word in our language which carries its own reward. The word is "now." Turned around it spells "WON". Do it now willingly, and you will have won the victory.

The straight gate of Salvation
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Text Luke 13:24

"Strive to enter in at the straight gate."
Illustr. Gate in an ancient city

I would like to show what
are the obstacles in the way
of your salvation.

I pride

Illustr. Cashing a check at the
bank.

There is no such thing as hell
and such religion.

II Special sins.

1 one it is the vain creep.
another, evil desire
another, bitter feeling
they would rather die than forgive
their neighbor
You must give up sin or give
up heaven.

III Intense Worldliness

A they say I can't afford to
be a Christian
8 the praise of men

How you can overcome these
things

1 Trust in Christ and obey
His

II by prayer.

You will get the faith through
frogs.

Illustr. What frogs is
on a piece of wreckage
at sea.

Frogs is thinking you are gone
without the Lord's help.

Search the Bible.

Illustr. Sea Captain.

Chart, Compass, Sea Glasses.

Illustr. Photograph.

You must see Christ through
correct frogs and earnest
reading of the word.

there is too much indefinite
seeking these days.

Conclusion.

Christ is knocking at your hearts
door.

You must want Him
more than anything
else.

Have we lost the wonder?

Text. Math 18:3

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"and said, Verily I say unto you, except ye be converted; and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of heaven."

Introduction. Gypsy Smith the great evangelist, died on a journey in true gypsy fashion in his eighty-seventh year. Called to preach at seventeen. He said, "I was born in a field; don't put me in a flowerpot. When asked about his freshness and vigor, even in old age he said "I have never lost the wonder." He had the heart of a child, He never lost the wonder.

a child a 5 is all wonder and questions.

With a child, every turn of the road was told a glad discovery.

The commonest, most humdrum day is glorified by the glamour of imagination.

All too soon children lose the wonder. a popular magazine inquired recently, "What happened to the magic of childhood? youngsters become cynical, fed-up, sophisticated before they reach their teens. In a television age they have already seen everything.

Youth not entirely to blame. Adults take no time to wonder to reflect, to meditate about anything. We must always be doing something. We need to wander through its woods to sit down and listen. Illust. ~~even~~ as in poem.

Our work and labor for the Lord can be joyful.

Church services need not
be dull. Look for a miracle
to happen. Expect God
to come.

Revival meetings are
exciting times.

Waiting to see the evangelist
leave.

Personal evangelism can
be a blessed experience.

Text: Deuteronomy 5:29

"Oh that there were such a heart in them that they would fear me . . . that it might be well with them."

Intro. The expression, in the long run, is a good one in planning your life. In a race, the one who finally wins is the one who has the greatest reward... In life, many things which go well for a season come to grief if the test is protracted. In the long run, honesty, righteousness, and truth pay best. God's ~~steps~~ steps are slow, but they who attend his movements are never disappointed. In the long run, character carries the day. Men come eventually to be known for what they are, however appearances may mislead at first. In the long run, the worldling will be seen to be a simpleton, and he humbly trusts in God will be proved a sage.

Foolish are they who leave eternity out of the reckoning. that is really the "long run," in comparison with which all else is but a step, a moment. Blessed are they who build that thought into every part of their lives, and rule their behavior strictly by it.

EVEN TEMPORAL WELFARE IS PROMOTED BY THE FEAR OF THE LORD.

Great revivals of religion show how the multitude when quickened in spirit are also illuminated in intelligence and strengthened in virtue. In John Wesley's revivals they were scarcely converted before they began to save money. The poor who become religious begin to be prosperous. The Salvation army is able to show this with its converted men, and has prepared them for heaven by making them fit for earth. When a man ceases to be a drunkard and a loafer and becomes self-respecting and self-supporting, there is a visible miracle of grace. Christianity does not make a man poorer, but richer.

CONDUCTS TO HAPPINESS.

The keeping of the Sabbath

THE PENALTY OF UNFAITHFULNESS

Every nation that has disobeyed God, has grown proud, rich, arrogant; that has trampled upon the holy law of God, has perished. Egypt, Assyris, Medo-Persion power

Illust. Indiana Lawyer becomes a Christian just as he was beginning practice. "What do you want to be so foolish for? You'll spoil your business," No one wants a Christian lawyer." The lawyer did not keep it quiet. His practice grew.

Illust. Billy Bray, Cornish miner and his potatoes.

OBEIENCE THE REMEDY

Many a break-down which is attributed to nerves or overwork is a religious matter. There are bodies which have been made sick and weak, not by injury or disease, but by the steady influence upon them of a spirit which would not obey its laws as the body was willing to obey its own.

The Walk of the Christian

There is a seven-fold walk ^{Song 3: 7}
of the Child of God. ^{MT. 8-7}
^{Parables} Psalm 101: 3 "I will behave
myself wisely in a perfect
way. O when wilt thou
come unto me? I will
walk within my house
with a perfect heart."

I will set no wicked
thing before mine eyes.

2. lovingly. In the Church.

Ephesians 5: 1, 2,

"Be ye therefore followers
of God, as dear children,
and walk in love, as Christ
also hath loved us, and hath
given himself for us an
offering and a sacrifice to
God for a sweet smelling savour!"

3. Circumspectly. In the World.
Ephesians 5:15 See then that
ye walk circumspectly,
not as fools, but as wise."

4. Thoroughly. In the truth
II John 4 "I rejoiced greatly
that I found of thy children
walking in truth, as we
have received a commandment
of the Father."

1. The truth shall make
you free.

5. Continually. In the light.
I John I:7 "But if we
walk in the light, as he
is in the light, we have
fellowship one with another
and the blood of Jesus
Christ his son cleanseth
us from all sin."

6 Dependently. In the Spirit
(Gal 5:16, 25) "This I
say then, Walk in the
Spirit and ye shall not
fulfil the lust of the
flesh." v. 25 "If we live in
the Spirit, let us also
walk in the Spirit!"

7 Submissively. In the
Lord. Colossians 11.6 'As
ye have therefore received
Christ Jesus the Lord, so
walk ye in him."

Feeding of the Multitude
Mark 6: 30-44

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Introduction: account given in
all 4 Gospels.

John the Baptist had just
been beheaded, and the disciples
had laid him in a tomb.
He was Jesus cousin.

1. Jesus and his disciples were
tired and worn out because
the people were coming and
going and they had no leisure
so much as to eat.

Jesus said come ye apart
and rest awhile.

2. The people followed: and
He had compassion on
them. He saw them as
sheep having no shepherd.
He taught them about
5 thousand beside women
and children.

3. They loved to hear Jesus so much they didn't even bring food.
4. He told the disciples to feed them. They said it would take 200 penny worth of bread for all to have a little.
5. Boy found with 5 bony loaves and 2 small fish.
6. Jesus blessed and broke the loaves.
7. all were filled and 12 baskets full taken up of the crumbs.
8. Jesus went up a mountain to pray.

Lessons we learn

1. Jesus knows we need rest
2. Jesus ministers and loves the people.
3. He feeds the people with our help.
4. Even a small boy has a part.
5. Little is much if God blesses it.
6. He supplies all our needs.
7. God can take the little you have and multiply it and bless others

Blessings in Heaven.

Security

1. Wicked excluded. M.T. 9-81

Rev. 22:15 "For without
are dogs, and sorcerers,
and whoremongers, and murderers
and idolaters, and whosoever
loveth, and maketh a lie."
Rev. 21:2
No pain, no more no
violence. No income tax

~~2. Fasts forever, eternal~~

only those found written
in the book of life

Rev. 20:15 "And whosoever
was not found written
in the book of life was
cast into the lake of
fire.

Rev. 21:4

2. No pain, no tears,
no death, no sorrow
or crying.

Pain of little child.

or someone dying with a painful
disease.

Tears and heartache.

Broken homes, Broken hopes
and dreams. Shattered
hopes. Broken hearts.
no death -

The saddest time is,
when a loved one is
gone and our home is
so empty -

3 How long will it last.
Rev. 22:5 forever and ever.

4. What will happen
to those who are not
right with God?

Rev. 20:8 "But the fearful,
and unbelieving, and the
abominable, and murderers,
and whoremongers, and
sorcerers, and idolaters,
and all liars, shall
have their part in the
lake which burneth with
fire and brimstone; which
is the second death."

Conclusion.

Heaven is a prepared place
for a prepared people. are
you prepared to meet
God.

The young may die
and the old must die.

Jeremiah the Prophet
O that my head were
waters and mine eyes a fountain
of tears. that I might weep

day and night for
my people.

Scripture ps. 23 John 10:

Is. 40: 11 He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Intra. Sheep are very dependent on the shepherd: for leading to good pasture, water, protection, and care.

a child is very dependent on its mother. It could not possibly survive without constant care.

So it is with a young Christian. But V 1 says "I shall not want."

V 2 He supplies our need.

V 3 He restoreth my soul. We are often cast down, discouraged, lose heart.

God sent the comforter to restore our soul. ~~He shall restore our soul.~~
~~He will over-riding it~~

V 3 Continuous salvation "He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His names sake. (Jesus sake)

V 4 strength and protection
He goes with us in the
dangerous places places
in life.
Satan would destroy us
but God will protect.

V 5, 6. Safety and satisfaction
in the face of enemies.
a table in the presence of
enemies.

II Walking with God - a
relationship controlled by
love.

A. we respond to His voice.
"my sheep hear my voice
and I know them, and they
follow me." (John 10: 27)

B. We respond to His hand
(Heb. 12: 6) "whom the Lord
lovethe he chasteneth, and
scourgeth every son whom
he receiveth."

III Walking with God -
a relationship giving a sense
of security.

V 4 - 6 The Shepherd before us.
... goodness and mercy
following us - we are secure.

IV Walking with God -
a relationship leading to
Heaven. V 6