

BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH
SUNDAY ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE
January 23, 2022

Greg Allen, Pastor

This morning's message is from
2 Corinthians 13:7-10

LOVE'S TRUE PREFERENCES

Welcome!

We're very glad you've chosen to be with us today for our online Sunday worship service. We sincerely hope this time of worship will be a blessing to you.

Order of Service

(hymns attached)

Welcome

Hymn #635, "In the Garden"

Opening Prayer

Hymn #563, "Open My Eyes That I May See"

Announcements

Church Family Time

Message

Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Hymn #568, "May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"

Closing Prayer

Hymn #635: In the Garden

C. Austin Miles

I come to the garden alone,
While the dew is on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,
The Son of God discloses.

Chorus

*And He walks with me, and he talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own;
And the joy we share as we tarry there
None other has ever known.*

He speaks, and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing.

Chorus

I'd stay in the garden with Him
Tho' the night around me be falling;
But He bids me go, thro' the voice of woe;
His voice to me is calling.

Chorus

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Hymn #563: Open My Eyes That I May See

Clara H. Scott

Open my eyes that I may see
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
That shall unclasp and set me free.

Chorus

*Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine.*

Open my ears that I may hear
Voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wavenotes fall on my ear,
Everything false will disappear.

Chorus

Open my mouth and let me bear
Gladly the warm truth everywhere;
Open my heart, and let me prepare
Love with Thy children thus to spare.

Chorus

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This morning's message is part of our ongoing study of the New Testament book of 2 Corinthians; and is taken from 2 Corinthians 13:7-10

LOVE'S TRUE PREFERENCES

The apostle Paul had to deal with some hard matters with the Corinthians. But how he did so exhibited a set of Christ-like 'preferences'. His example shows us that, if we love one another in Christ as we should, there will be certain things that we would prefer for each other; such as ...

1. HONORABLE BEHAVIOR OVER OUR REPUTATION (v. 7).
2. THE WORK OF TRUTH OVER OUR COMFORT (v. 8).
3. COMPLETENESS IN CHRIST OVER STRENGTH OF SELF (v. 9).
4. EDIFICATION OVER OUR POWER TO HARM (v. 10).



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Congregational Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:1-11, NKJV

(Leader reads the italicized text; Congregation reads the boldfaced text)

Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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Hymn #568: May the Mind of Christ My Savior

Kate B. Wilkinson

May the mind of Christ, my Savior,
Live in me from day to day,
By His love and pow'r controlling
All I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph
Only through His pow'r.

May the peace of God, my Father,
Rule my life in ev'rything,
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me
As the waters fill the sea.
Him exalting, self abasing:
This is victory.

May we run the race before us,
Strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus
As we onward go.

May His beauty rest upon me
As I seek the lost to win;
And may they forget the channel,
Seeing only Him.

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Thank you for joining us!

We are open for in-person services!

We will continue to broadcast here on FaceBook Live, and ask that all who come to the church for in-person services read this first:

RE-OPENING NEWS: *<http://bethanybible.org/new/?p=6336>*

Be sure to visit our website at *www.bethanybible.org* for sermon and Bible study notes .

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO MIDWEEK SERVICES THIS WEEK.

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Thank you, and God bless you!