

BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH
SUNDAY ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE
October 31, 2021

Greg Allen, Pastor

This morning's message is taken from 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

PAUL'S HOLY THORN

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 #611, "He Hideth My Soul"

Opening Prayer

Hymn #599, "Jesus Is Lord of All"

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Message

Church Family Time

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 5:6-11

Hymn #591, "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

Closing Prayer

Hymn #611: He Hideth My Soul

Fanny J. Crosby

A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord,
A wonderful Savior to me;
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock,
Where rivers of pleasure I see.

Chorus

*He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock
That shadows a dry, thirsty land;
He hideth my life in the depths of His love
And covers me there with His hand,
And covers me there with His hand.*

A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord—
He taketh my burden away.
He holdeth me up, and I shall not be moved;
He giveth me strength as my day.

Chorus

With numberless blessings each moment He crowns;
And, filled with His fullness divine,
I sing in my rapture, “O glory to God
For such a Redeemer as mine!”

Chorus

When clothed in His brightness, transported I rise
To meet Him in clouds of the sky;
His perfect salvation, His wonderful love
I'll shout with the millions on high!

Chorus

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Hymn #599: Jesus is Lord of All

Gloria Gaither and William J. Gaither

All of my tomorrows, all of my past –
Jesus is Lord of all.
I've quit my struggles, contentment at last!
Jesus is Lord of all.

Chorus

*King of kings, Lord of lords, Jesus is Lord of all;
All my possessions and my life, Jesus is Lord of all.*

All of my conflicts, all of my thoughts –
Jesus is Lord of all.
His love wins the battles I could not have fought;
Jesus is Lord of all.

Chorus

All of my longings, all of my dreams –
Jesus is Lord of all.
All of my failures His power redeems;
Jesus is Lord of all.

Chorus

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Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 5:6-11, NKJV

Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world. But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you. To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

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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 12:7-10

PAUL'S HOLY THORN

Paul had a 'thorn in the flesh ... a messenger of Satan'. What exactly was it? We're not told. But God allowed him to have it for a very wonderful reason. As this passage teaches us, we should rejoice when we are made weak; because it's then that the power of Christ is perfected in us.

As Paul's example shows us ...

1. **GOD ALLOWS US, AS HIS SERVANTS, TO SUFFER HUMBLING WEAKNESSES (v. 7)**
(See Galatians 1:11-12; 4:13-15; 6:11; Romans 8:28-29.)
2. **THESE WEAKNESSES ARE DESIGNED TO SHOW FORTH JESUS' POWER (vv. 8-9)**
(See Philippians 4:12-13.)
3. **WE SHOULD REJOICE WHENEVER JESUS' POWER IS MADE TO REST UPON US (v. 10).**

Conclusion: James 1:2-4.



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Hymn #591: Have Thine Own Way, Lord

Adelaide A. Pollard

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Thou art the Potter; I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after Thy will,
While I am waiting, yielded and still.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Search me and try me, Master, today.
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,
As in Thy presence, humbly I bow.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray.
Power—al. power—surely is Thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with Thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always living in me!

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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 – and join us this Wednesday at 10:00AM (PST) for our Wednesday morning Bible study (broadcast at 12PM PST)!

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Thank you, and God bless you!