BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH

SUNDAY ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE December 12, 2021

Greg Allen, Pastor

This morning's message is taken from 2 Corinthians 12:1-4

CHRIST'S POWER FOR THE HARD TASKS

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 #250, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Opening Prayer

Congregational Scripture Reading from Luke 2:8-14

Hymn #278, "Angels We Have Heard on High"

Announcements

Church Family Time

Message

Hymn #267, "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"

Closing Prayer

Hymn #250: O Little Town of Bethlehem

Phillips Brooks

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by. Yet in thy dark street shineth the everlasting light; The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above, While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wond'ring love. O morning stars together proclaim the holy birth; And praises sing to God, the King, and peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous Gift is giv'n! So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heav'n. No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin, Where meek souls will receive Him still, the dear Christ enters in.

O holy child of Bethlehem, descend on us, we pray. Cast out our sin, and enter in; be born in us to day. We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell. O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord, Emmanuel.

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Congregational Scripture Reading: Luke 2:8-14, NKJV

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

Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. Then the angel said to them,

"Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

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Hymn #278: Angels We Have Heard On High

Traditional French carol

Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o'er the plains And the mountains in reply, Echo back their joyous strains.

Chorus

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be
Which inspire your heav'nly song?

Chorus

Come to Bethlehem, and see Him whose the birth the angels sing; Come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Chorus

See within a manger laid Jesus, Lord of heav'n and earth! Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, With us sing our Savior's birth!

Chorus

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December 5, 2021 This morning's message is taken from Job 19:23-27

'I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES'

Job was the most righteous man of his time. And yet, God permitted him to fall into a deep and horrible time of trial. He lost everything; and even believed he was about to die. And yet, in the midst of his trial, he expressed an overwhelming expectation of hope that centered upon the yet-to-be-born Redeemer Jesus.

Job's declaration teaches us that we can experience joyful hope in deepest trial if we will remember that our Redeemer lives.

- WE CAN EXPERIENCE HOPE IN DEEPEST TRIAL (vv. 23-24). (See also 2 Corinthians 4:16-18.)
- THAT HOPE IS OURS BECAUSE OUR REDEEMER LIVES (v. 25). (See also Hebrews 2:14-18.)
- BECAUSE HE LIVES, WE ARE DESTINED TO LIVE TOO (vv. 26-27a). (See also 1 John 3:2; Romans 6:5; 1 Corinthians 15:20.)
- THAT DESTINY MAKES OUR HEARTS YEARN NOW (v. 27b). (See also Isaiah 40:27-31).



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Hymn #267: I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

Henry W Longfellow

I hear the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat
Of peace on earth, goodwill to men.
I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along th' unbroken song
Of peace on earth, goodwill to men.

And in despair I bowed my head: "There is no peace on earth," I said, "For hate is strong and mocks the song Of peace on earth, goodwill to men."

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: "God is not dead, nor doth He sleep; The wrong shall fall, the right prevail, With peace on earth, goodwill to men."

Then ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day A voice, a chime, a chant sublime
Of peace on earth, goodwill to men!

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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!