

Wed 1/22/25 - Trust in good

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Hymn. 224:1-3

O Lord, I would delight in Thee,
And on Thy care depend;
To Thee in every trouble flee,
My best, my ever Friend.
When all material streams are dried,
Thy fullness is the same;
May I with this be satisfied,
And glory in Thy name.

All good, where'er it may be found,
Its source doth find in Thee;
I must have all things and abound,
While God is God to me.
O that I had a stronger faith,
To look within the veil,
To credit what my Saviour saith,
Whose word can never fail.

He that has made my heaven secure,
Will here all good provide;
While Christ is rich, can I be poor?
What can I want beside?
O God, I cast my care on Thee;
I triumph and adore;
Henceforth my great concern shall be
To love and praise Thee more.

Words: JOHN RYLAND, ADAPTED

Music: Henry Hiles

Hymn. 487:1–3

Great is Your faithfulness, God, our creator,
With You no shadow of turning we see.
You do not change, Your compassions they fail not;
As You have been, You forever will be.

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Great is Your faithfulness!
Great is Your faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Your hand has provided.
Great is Your faithfulness, God, unto me!

Freedom from sin and a peace so enduring,
Your constant presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Such are the blessings Your wonders provide.

REFRAIN

Words: THOMAS O. CHISHOLM, ALT., ADAPT.
Music: William M. Runyan

Hymn. 350:1–3

Through the love of God our Saviour
All will be well;
Free and changeless is His favor;
All must be well;
Precious is the Love that healed us,
Perfect is the grace that sealed us,
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us;
All, all is well.

Though we pass through tribulation,
All will be well;
Ours is such a full salvation,
All must be well;
Happy still, in God confiding,
Fruitful, when in Christ abiding,
Holy, through the Spirit's guiding;
All, all is well.

We expect a bright tomorrow,
All will be well;
Faith can sing through days of sorrow,
All must be well;
While His truth we are applying,
And upon His love relying,
God is every need supplying,
All, all is well.

Words: MARY PETERS, ADAPTED
Music: Welsh Melody

Ps. 34:8

8 O taste and see that the LORD *is* good: blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.

Ps. 31:1, 5, 7, 8, 15, 19

- 1 In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness.
- 5 Into thine hand I commit my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.
- 7 I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities;
- 8 And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room.
- 15 My times *are* in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

19 *Oh* how great *is* thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; *which* thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!

Ps. 62:5–8 (to ;)

- 5 My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation *is* from him.
6 He only *is* my rock and my salvation: *he is* my defence; I shall not be moved.
7 In God *is* my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, *and* my refuge, *is* in God.
8 Trust in him at all times; ...

Ps. 20:7

- 7 Some *trust* in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God.

Prov. 3:26 the

- 26 ... the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

Jer. 29:11 I

- 11 ... I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

Heb. 11:1, 2, 8–12, 17–19

- 1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
2 For by it the elders obtained a good report.
8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.
9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as *in* a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:
10 For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker *is* God.
11 Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.
12 Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, *so many* as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore

innumerable.

- 17 By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac; and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten *son*,
18 Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called:
19 Accounting that God *was* able to raise *him* up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.

Gen. 22:1–6 God, 9–17 (to 1st ;), 18

- 1 ... God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, *here I am*.
- 2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only *son* Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.
- 3 ¶ And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.
- 4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.
- 5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.
- 6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid *it* upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.
- 9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.
- 10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.
- 11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here *am* I.
- 12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son* from me.
- 13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind *him* a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

- 14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah–jireh: as it is said *to this day*, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.
- 15 ¶ And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,
- 16 And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son*:
- 17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which *is* upon the sea shore; ...
- 18 And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

Rom. 4:3 Abraham, 20, 21

- 3 ... Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.
- 20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;
- 21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

Luke 12:32

- 32 Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Prov. 3:5, 6

- 5 ¶ Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
- 6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Rom. 8:28

- 28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.

SH 113:9–11, 16–20

- 9 The fundamental propositions of divine metaphysics are summarized in the four following, to me, *self-evident* propositions.

1. God is All-in-all.
2. God is good. Good is Mind.
- 18 3. God, Spirit, being all, nothing is matter.
4. Life, God, omnipotent good, deny death, evil, sin, disease.

SH 587:19

GOOD. God; Spirit; omnipotence; omniscience; omnipresence; omni-action.

SH 444:4

“All
things work together for good to them that love God,” is
6 the dictum of Scripture.

SH 579:10–14

ABRAHAM. Fidelity; faith in the divine Life and in the eternal Principle of being.

- 12 This patriarch illustrated the purpose of Love to create trust in good, and showed the life-preserving power of spiritual understanding.

SH 23:21

- 21 In Hebrew, Greek, Latin, and English, *faith* and the words corresponding thereto have these two definitions, *trustfulness* and *trustworthiness*. One
24 kind of faith trusts one’s welfare to others. Another kind of faith understands divine Love and how to work out one’s “own salvation, with fear and trembling.” “Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief!”
27 expresses the helplessness of a blind faith; whereas the injunction, “Believe . . . and thou shalt be saved!”
30 demands self-reliant trustworthiness, which includes spiritual understanding and confides all to God.

Self-reliance
and confidence

SH 286:6

6 The understand-
ing of Truth gives full faith in Truth, and spiritual un-
derstanding is better than all burnt offerings.

SH 368:2-4, 10

The
3 confidence inspired by Science lies in the fact
that Truth is real and error is unreal.

Real and
counterfeit

Against the fatal beliefs that error is as real as Truth,
that evil is equal in power to good if not superior, and that
12 discord is as normal as harmony, even the hope
of freedom from the bondage of sickness and
sin has little inspiration to nerve endeavor. When we
15 come to have more faith in the truth of being than we have
in error, more faith in Spirit than in matter, more faith
in living than in dying, more faith in God than in man,
18 then no material suppositions can prevent us from healing
the sick and destroying error.

Results of
faith in Truth

SH 348:14-18

Are we irreverent towards sin, or imputing too much
15 power to God, when we ascribe to Him almighty Life
and Love? I deny His cooperation with evil,
because I desire to have no faith in evil or in
18 any power but God, good.

Elimination
of sickness

SH 72:21-23

21 God, good, being ever present, it follows in divine
logic that evil, the suppositional opposite of good, is never
present.

SH 103:6–15

6 The destruction of the claims of mortal mind through
Science, by which man can escape from sin
and mortality, blesses the whole human fam-
9 ily. As in the beginning, however, this libera-
tion does not scientifically show itself in a knowledge of
both good and evil, for the latter is unreal.

12 On the other hand, Mind-science is wholly separate
from any half-way impertinent knowledge, because Mind-
science is of God and demonstrates the divine Principle,
15 working out the purposes of good only.

Liberation
of mental
powers

SH 327:9–10, 17

9 Evil is sometimes a man's highest conception
of right, until his grasp on good grows stronger.

To the physical senses, the strict demands of Christian
18 Science seem peremptory; but mortals are has-
tening to learn that Life is God, good, and that
evil has in reality neither place nor power in the human or
21 the divine economy.

Peremptory
demands

SH 450:19–22

The Christian Scientist has enlisted
to lessen evil, disease, and death; and he will overcome
21 them by understanding their nothingness and the allness
of God, or good.

SH 563:1–7 (to ?)

1 Human sense may well marvel at discord, while, to a
diviner sense, harmony is the real and discord the unreal.
3 We may well be astonished at sin, sickness, and
death. We may well be perplexed at human
fear; and still more astounded at hatred, which lifts

The dragon
as a type

6 its hydra head, showing its horns in the many inventions
of evil. But why should we stand aghast at nothingness?

SH 469:25–28

We lose the high signification of omnipotence, when
after admitting that God, or good, is omnipresent and
27 has all-power, we still believe there is another
power, named *evil*.

The sole
governor

SH 192:19–24 (to 1st .)

In Science, you can
have no power opposed to God, and the physi-
21 cal senses must give up their false testimony. Your in-
fluence for good depends upon the weight you throw into
the right scale. The good you do and embody gives you
24 the only power obtainable.

The one
real power

SH 495:16–20

Let neither
fear nor doubt overshadow your clear sense and
18 calm trust, that the recognition of life harmonious — as
Life eternally is — can destroy any painful sense of, or
belief in, that which Life is not.

Steadfast and
calm trust

SH 201:9

9 Passions, selfishness,
false appetites, hatred, fear, all sensuality, yield to spirit-
uality, and the superabundance of being is on the side
12 of God, good.

SH 494:10

Divine Love always has met and always will meet every
human need. It is not well to imagine that Jesus demon-
12 strated the divine power to heal only for a select number
or for a limited period of time, since to all mankind and
in every hour, divine Love supplies all good.

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