



## 2CHR-FM 96.5 Gospel Hour Content

17th July 2011

### *Readings from the English Bible*

- Proverbs 27
- Luke 4
- 1 Timothy 6
- Psalm 33

### *Metrical Psalms*

- Psalm 46:1-7
- Psalm 48:10-14

### *Chequebook of the Bank of Faith—Devotional reflection*

July 17

#### VALIANT FOR TRUTH

"The people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits."  
Dan. 11:32

"The Lord is a man of war, Jehovah is his name." Those who enlist under His banner shall have a Commander who will train them for the conflict, and give them both vigor and valor. The times of which Daniel wrote were of the very worst kind, and then it was promised that the people of God would come out in their best colours: they would be strong and stout to confront the powerful adversary.

Oh, that we may know our God; His power, His faithfulness, His immutable love, and so may be ready to risk everything in His behalf. He is One whose character excites our enthusiasm, and makes us willing to live and to die for Him. Oh, that we may know our God by familiar fellowship with Him; for then we shall become like Him, and shall be prepared to stand up for truth and righteousness. He who comes forth fresh from beholding the face of God will never fear the face of man. If we dwell with Him, we shall catch the heroic spirit, and to us a world of enemies will be but as the drop of a bucket. A countless array of men, or even of devils, will seem as little to us as the nations are to God, and He counts them only as grasshoppers. Oh, to be valiant for truth in this day of falsehood.

***Charles Haddon Spurgeon***

*Classical Believing Hymns – Truth for all time*

**“Christ came to heal the broken heart”**

Ralph Erskine  
(1685-1752)

*Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.*

Christ came to heal the broken heart,  
The bleeding soul to cure,  
Treasures to bankrupts to impart,  
And riches to the poor.

To make a proclamation free  
Of pardon, grace, and peace,  
The Lord Jehovah's jubilee,  
His year of sweet release.

For ashes He'll with beauty dress;  
For grief with joy anoint;  
And for the sp'rit of heaviness,  
The robe of praise appoint.

That trees of righteousness might be  
Their proper name when tried,  
The planting of the Lord, that He  
May thus be glorified.

Welcome the Preacher great, that comes  
For all these happy ends;  
This office justly He assumes,  
Whom God the Father sends.

**“The Lord first empties whom he fills”**

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*Is. 42:3 A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth.*

The Lord first empties whom he fills,  
Casts down whom he would raise;  
He quickens, when the letter kills,  
Exalting thus his praise.

All fears and terrors, when he smiles,  
At once must disappear;  
The bruised and wounded heart he heals  
And feeds with heav'nly cheer.

When he applies his healing blood  
Unto a sin-sick soul,  
This balsam, pow'ful, precious, good,  
Ne'er fails to make it whole.

He freely laid his majesty  
And all his glory by,  
That our wants, through his poverty,  
He richly might supply.

He's full of grace and truth indeed,  
Of peace, of light and life;  
To all, that helpless sinners need,  
He gives thy soul a right.

Though heav'n's his throne, he came  
from thence  
To seek and save the lost;  
Whate'er might be the vast expense,  
His love would bear the cost.

***Classical Believing Hymns – Truth for all time (continued)***

On us he spent his life and blood,  
Our losses to retrieve;  
Mankind's redemption now holds good  
For sinners who believe.