



2CHR-FM 96.5 Gospel Hour Content

18th December 2011

Readings from the English Bible

- Psalm 27
- Genesis 14
- Luke 22
- Romans 14
- Psalm 20

Metrical Psalms

- Psalm 27:1-5
- Psalm 20:1-5

Chequebook of the Bank of Faith—Devotional reflection

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DEFENDED AND COVERED

"As birds flying, so will the Lord of hosts defend Jerusalem" Isa.31:5

With hurrying wing the mother bird hastens up to the protection of her young. She wastes no time upon the road when coming to supply them with food, or guard them from danger. Thus as on eagle's wings will the Lord come for the defence of His chosen; yea, He will ride upon the wings of the wind.

With outspread wing the mother covers her little ones in the nest. She hides them away by interposing her own body. The hen yields her own warmth to her chicks, and makes her wings a house, in which they dwell at home. Thus doth Jehovah Himself become the protection of His elect. He Himself is their refuge, their abode, their all.

As birds flying, and birds covering (for the word means both), so will the Lord be unto us: and this He will be repeatedly and successfully. We shall be defended and preserved from all evil: the Lord who likens Himself to birds will not be like them in their feebleness, for He is Jehovah of hosts. Let this be our comfort, that almighty love will be swift to succour, and sure to cover. The wing of God is more quick and more tender than the wing of a bird, and we will put our trust under its shadow henceforth and for ever.

Charles Haddon Spurgeon

Classical Believing Hymns – Truth for all time

“Sinners are justified by grace”

Richard Burnham
(1749-1810)

Romans 3:24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

Sinners are justified by grace,
Through the Redeemer’s righteous-
ness;
This is a glorious robe indeed,
And wrought for Abram’s favoured
seed.

Jehovah, in His wise decree,
Did all His chosen people see
As justified in His dear Son,
In Him from everlasting one.

When through the Spirit they believe,
The pleasing witness they receive;
And they are freely justified
Through the dear Man that groaned
and died.

Yes, they rejoice in pard’ning blood,
And triumph in the Son of God:
With joy and peace they all confess
“Christ is the Lord our Righteousness.”

Now, Lord, our hearts in faith enlarge,
May we all see our great discharge,
Sing of Thy free, forgiving love,
Till glorified with Thee above.

“Vain are the hopes that sons of men”

Isaac Watts
(1674-1748)

Romans 3:19-20 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

Vain are the hopes that sons of men
On their own works have built;
Their hearts by nature all unclean,
And all their actions guilt.

Let Jew and Gentile stop their mouths
Without a murm’ring word,
And the whole of Adam stand
Guilty before the Lord.

In vain we ask God’s righteous law
To justify us now,
Since to convict and to condemn
Is all the law can do.

Jesus, how glorious is Thy grace!
When in Thy Name we trust,
Our faith receives a righteousness
That makes the sinner just.