



2CHR-FM 96.5 Gospel Hour Content

7 August 2011

Readings from the English Bible

- Proverbs 30
- Luke 7
- 2 Timothy 3
- Psalm 145

Metrical Psalms

- Psalm 25:15-22
- Psalm 145:17-21

Chequebook of the Bank of Faith—Devotional reflection

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RULES FOR PROSPERITY

"Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest" Josh 1:7

Yes, the Lord will be with us in our holy war, but He demands of us that we strictly follow His rules. Our victories will very much depend upon our obeying Him with all our heart, throwing strength and courage into the actions of our faith. If we are half-hearted we cannot expect more than half a blessing.

We must obey the Lord with care and thoughtfulness. "Observe to do" is the phrase used, and it is full of meaning. This is referred to every part of the divine will; we must obey with universal readiness. Our rule of conduct is "according to all the law." We may not pick and choose, but we must take the Lord's commands as they come, one and all. In all this we must go on with exactness and constancy. Ours is to be a straightforward course, which bends neither to the right nor to the left. We are not to err by being more rigid than the law, nor turn out of levity to a more free and easy way. With such obedience there will come spiritual prosperity. O Lord, help us to see if it be not even so! We shall not test thy promise in vain.

Charles Haddon Spurgeon

Classical Believing Hymns – Truth for all time

**"The pathway of life is surrounded
with snares"**

Septimus Sears
(1819-1877)

Phil.3:8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ,

The pathway of life is surrounded with
snares,
Its roses are guarded with prickles and
cares,
All wander and die but the sheep in
Christ's fold:
The knowledge of Christ is more precious
than gold.

A few fleeting hours and the death pang
is felt,
All ties that are earthly must sever and
melt;
What thousands of deathbeds have
solemnly told—
The knowledge of Christ is more precious
than gold.

When God is proclaiming the dread
judgment day,
When time and its treasures are passing
away,
Oh, then this great truth will not need to
be told—
The knowledge of Christ is more precious
than gold!

God give us true wisdom, ere death shall
draw nigh,
To number our days and to Jesus apply;
And, oh, may we learn in His blood-
sprinkled fold—
The knowledge of Christ is more precious
than gold!

**"Come, come, ye happy, happy
saints"**

Richard Burnham
(1749?-1810)

Ps145:2 Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever.

Come, come, ye happy, happy saints,
The heav'nly Lamb adore:
Dwell on His everlasting love,
And praise Him evermore.

Spread His dear name through all the
earth,
Sing His eternal power;
Shout the rich fountain of His blood,
And praise Him evermore!

Up to the courts where now He
reigns
May all our spirits soar;
Fully survey the mercy-seat,
And praise Him evermore!

Hark! how the angels chant His
name,
See how they all adore,
Triumph and wonder, gaze, and sing,
And praise Him evermore!

Saints who surround the dazzling
throne,
Their tuneful voices raise,
Higher than angels bear their song,
The glorious song of praise.

Come, O my spirit! higher still
Swell the celestial lays:
Higher than all the heights of heaven
Sound Jesus' endless praise!