



2CHR-FM 96.5 Gospel Hour Content

8th May 2011

Readings from the English Bible

- Proverbs 19
- Mark 12
- 1 Thessalonians 3
- Psalm 8

Metrical Psalms

- Psalm 102:13-22

Chequebook of the Bank of Faith—Devotional reflection

May 8

HELP WANTED

"Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive" #Mat 20:7

Yes, there is work in Christ's vineyard for old bodies. It is the eleventh hour, and yet He will let us work. What great grace is this! Surely every old man ought to jump at this invitation! After men are advanced in years nobody wants them as servants; they go from shop to shop, and employers look at their grey hairs, and shake their heads. But Jesus will engage old people, and give them good wages too! This is mercy indeed. Lord, help the aged to enlist in thy service without an hour's delay.

But will the Lord pay wages to worn-out old men? Do not doubt it. He says He will give you what is right if you will work in His field. He will surely give you grace here and glory hereafter. He will grant present comfort and future rest; strength equal to your day, and a vision of glory when the night of death comes on. All these the Lord Jesus will as freely give to the aged convert as to one who enters His service in his youth.

Let me tell this to some unsaved old man or old woman, and pray the Lord to bless it, for Jesus sake. Where can I find such persons? I will be on the look-out for them, and kindly tell them the news.

Charles Haddon Spurgeon

Classical Believing Hymns – Truth for all time

“Cleave to the words of Jesus”

Mary Ann Chaplin
(dates unknown)

Ps.119:31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD, put me not to shame.

Cleave to the words of Jesus,
Oh, hearts which sigh and ache;
They breathe a spell of quiet
Which life-storms cannot break!
It lifts the heaviest burden,
And lulls the strongest pain,
The hope of one day hearing
That same sweet voice again.

Cleave to the words of Jesus,
He says, “Be not afraid;
Your heavenly Father knoweth
The needs of all He made;
Let not your heart be troubled,
While ye believe in Me,
For where My Father dwelleth,
There shall My people be.”

Cleave to the words of Jesus
Until He comes again;
And sing them till the weary
Grow rested with the strain.
And while the words of others
Lead many a soul astray,
Be ours to take the Scriptures
And tread the narrow way.

“How firm a foundation”

‘K’ in Rippon’s *A Selection of Hymns*
(1787)

Is. 43:2 When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath
said -
You, who unto Jesus for refuge have fled?

In every condition—in sickness, in health,
In poverty’s vale, or abounding in wealth;
At home or abroad, on the land, on the sea,
As days may demand, shall thy strength
ever be.

“Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not
dismayed!
I, I am thy God, and will still give thee aid:
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause
thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous omnipotent hand.

When through the deep water I cause thee
to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trial thy pathway shall
lie,
My grace all-sufficient shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee: I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to
refine.

Classical Believing Hymns – Truth for all time (continued)

E'en down to old age, all My people shall
prove
My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And when hoary hairs shall their temples
adorn
Like lambs they shall still in My bosom be
borne.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for
repose,
I will not, I cannot, desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavour
to shake
I'll never! no, never! no, never forsake!"