

Let Goods and Kindred Go by John Piper

But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. (Hebrews 10:32-35)

The Christians in Hebrews 10:32-35 have earned the right to teach us about costly love. The situation appears to be this: In the early days of their conversion, some of them were imprisoned for the faith. The others were confronted with a difficult choice: Shall we go underground and stay "safe," or shall we visit

our brothers and sisters in prison and risk our lives and property? They chose the way of love and accepted the cost.

But were they losers? No. They lost property and gained joy! They joyfully accepted the loss.

In one sense, they denied themselves. But in another, they did not. They chose the way of joy. Evidently, these Christians were motivated for prison ministry the same way the Macedonians (of 2 Corinthians 8:1-9) were motivated to relieve the poor. Their joy in God overflowed in love for others.

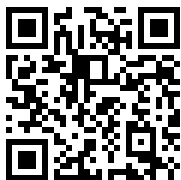
They looked at their own lives and said, "*The steadfast love of the Lord is better than life*" (see Psalm 63:3).

They looked at all their possessions and said, "We have a possession in heaven that is better and lasts longer than any of this" (Hebrews 10:34).

Events

Today Hawfields 3:00 PM
9/25 Youth Groups 7:00 PM
9/26 RC Blood Drive
10/1 Men's Prayer for Revival 7:30 AM
10/1 Ladies' Missionary Society 9:00 AM

Give



Upcoming Events



GRACE
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Service Times

- Sunday School 9:30 am
- Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am
- Sunday Evening Worship 5:30 pm
- Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:15 pm



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Morning Worship

Call to Worship
Opening Hymn

Alex DiPrima
Glorious Day

One day when Heaven was filled with His praises,
one day when sin was as black as could be.

Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin, Dwelt among men, my example is He.
Word became flesh and the light shined among us His glory revealed.

(Chorus)

**Living, He loved me. Dying, He saved me,
buried He carried my sins far away.**

Rising, He justified, freely forever.

One day He's coming; oh, glorious day, oh, glorious day!

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain.

One day they nailed Him to die on a tree.

Suffering anguish, despised and rejected, bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He.

Hands that healed nations, stretched out on a tree and took the nails for me!

(Chorus)

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer.

One day the stone rolled away from the door.

Then He arose; over death He had conquered.

Now is ascended, my Lord evermore!

Death could not hold Him! The grave could not keep Him from rising again!

(Chorus) Oh, glorious day! Glorious day!

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming!

One day the skies with His glories will shine!

Wonderful day, my Beloved One bringing My Savior, Jesus is mine!

(Chorus) Oh, glorious day! Glorious day!

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:1-16, page 809

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

#50 Praise to the Lord

Preparatory

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
to Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day;
there God, the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away.

(Chorus with "echos")

I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land.

I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land.

No chilling winds or poisonous breath, can reach that healthful shore,
sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.

(Chorus with "echos")

When shall I reach that happy place, and be forever blessed?

When shall I see my Father's face, and in His bosom rest?

(Chorus with "echos") (repeat chorus)

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Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix

Evening Worship

Call to Worship
Opening Hymn

Brad Kinnison
#133 O for a Thousand Tongues
to Sing

All Creatures of our God and King

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing,

O praise Him, Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam,

Thou silver moon with softer gleam

(Chorus) O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in Heaven along,

O praise Him, Alleluia! Thou rising moon in praise rejoice

Ye lights of evening find a voice **(Chorus)**

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship Him in humbleness

O praise Him, Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son

And praise the Spirit, three in one **(Chorus)**

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, three in one

**(Chorus) O Alleluia! Alleluia! O Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! O
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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Scripture Reading

Acts 13:49-14:28, page 922

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

Here is Love

Here is love, wide as the ocean, loving kindness as a flood,

When the Prince of Life, our Ransom shed for us, His precious blood.

Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise?

He can never be forgotten, throughout Heav'n's eternal days.

**(Chorus) Oh, how marvelous, Oh, how glorious, is my Savior's love for
me!**

Oh, how marvelous, Oh, how glorious, is my Savior's love for me!

On the mount of crucifixion, fountains opened deep and wide;

Through the floodgates of God's mercy, flowed a vast and gracious tide.

Grace and love, like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above,

And Heav'n's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love. **(Chorus)**

Of Your fullness You are pouring Your great love on me anew,

Without measure, full and boundless, drawing out my heart to You.

You alone will be my glory, nothing in the world I see,

You have cleansed and sanctified me, You Yourself have set me free. **(Chorus)**

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Preparatory

Behold What Manner

(singing 4 times, follow instructions on screen for Verses 2 & 3 in "round")

Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us.

Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us,

That we should be called the sons of God,

that we should be called the sons of God.

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Sermon

Pastor Stu Johnston