

There is a heavenly arithmetic to Christian contentment: subtraction and addition.

First, the subtraction... A famous sculptor once was asked how he could turn a lifeless block of stone into a horse that seemed so vibrantly alive. He answered, "I choose a block of marble, and then carve away everything that doesn't look like a horse."... The journey I took as a new Christian with one text of Scripture helps illustrate this mentality. The text is Psalm 37:4,

"Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart."

When I read this, it became a treasured verse that I believed to mean, "If I love Jesus he will give me anything I want." After a while, I grew into a more mature outlook. This verse morphed subtly into this: "Take delight in the LORD, and he will assign me what I should want." Then, finally, it became, "Take delight in Christ, and he will become your heart's desire." And he will satisfy it more richly than we can ask or think.

## Events

TODAY Youth Annual Picnic  
7 PM

6/5 Small Groups week

6/8 Christina Byrd Shower 2 PM

6/21 Sarah Beal Shower  
6:30 PM

## Give



## Upcoming Events



## Pastors

Gary Hendrix  
Stu Johnston  
Michael Lopes

Stephen Byrd  
Bob Prentice

## 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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REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH

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**REJOICE!**  
*in the Lord  
always*

*Philippians 4:4*



## Morning Worship

Call to Worship  
Opening Hymn  
Scripture Reading  
Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Stephen Byrd  
#667 To God be the Glory  
Acts 8:1-25, page 916

Offertory  
Preparatory

#129 Fairest Lord Jesus  
Lord I Need You

Lord, I come, I confess, bowing here, I find my rest.  
Without You I fall apart. You're the One that guides my heart.

**(Chorus) Lord, I need You, oh I need You. Every hour I need You.  
My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You.**

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more.  
Where grace is found is where You are.  
And where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.

**(Chorus)**

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to You when temptation comes my way.  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You. Jesus, You're my hope and stay.  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You. Jesus, You're my hope and stay.

**(Chorus)**

**You're my one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You.  
My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You.**

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**Sermon**

**Pastor Gary Hendrix**

## Evening Worship

Call to Worship  
Opening Hymn  
Scripture Reading  
Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Bob Prentice  
#80 How Firm a Foundation  
1 Thessalonians 3:11-4:18, page 987

Offertory

**May the Mind of Christ My Savior**

May the mind of Christ my Savior, Live in me from day to day,  
By His love and pow'r controlling, All I do and all I say-  
May the word of God dwell richly, In my heart from hour to hour,  
So that all may see I triumph, Only through His mighty pow'r.

May the peace of God my Father, Rule my life in ev'rything,  
That I may be calm to comfort, Many sick and sorrowing.  
May the love of Jesus fill me, As the waters fill the sea;  
Him exalting, self abasing, Christ is sure, my victory.

May I run the race before me, Strong and brave to face the foe,  
Looking only unto Jesus, As I trusting, onward go –  
May His beauty rest upon me, As I seek the lost to win;  
And may they forget the channel, Seeing Christ and only Him.

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**Preparatory**

**Speak O Lord**

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to receive the food of Your Holy Word.  
Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness;  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

2. Teach us Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility.  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes; in the radiance of Your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.  
Words of pow'r that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

3. Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;  
and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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**Sermon**

**Pastor Michael Lopes**