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What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Joseph Scriven (1819-1866)

What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
Oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer:
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior still our refuge:
Take it to the Lord in prayer:
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee;
Thou wilt find a solace there.

The Gentle and Lowly Jesus



DR. H. POWELL DEW, JR.

As many of you are aware, I am a part of group of ministers that graduated from Campbell University Divinity School in 2004. We meet almost every month to discuss life and ministry. This fall we are reading Dane Ortlund's book titled, "Gentle and Lowly, the Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers." I am only half way through the book and have been impressed by how the author reminds the reader of the heart of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The author seeks to remind us that it is the heart of Christ that caused Him come and identify with humanity by coming in the flesh. It was the heart of Christ that caused Him to endure the cross to redeem sinful humanity. It was the heart of Christ that continues to compassionately extend salvation to all who will believe in Him.

For me, I have been preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for almost 20 years now. I have shaped my theology and salvation story around the finished work of Jesus Christ at Calvary. What Jesus did at Calvary almost 2000 years ago, for those that are in Christ, completed our salvation. What this book has made me to realize is that Jesus Christ is *still* guiding, nurturing, and leading His children – even now!

When Jesus said he was "*gentle and lowly in heart*," He was letting us know He is tender, welcoming, accommodating, understanding and willing to receive ALL that come unto Him. He is not distant, far away, or judging – rather He welcomes everyone, no matter how great their sin is or what they may have done! (see back page)

"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and you will learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30

The Gentle and Lowly Jesus (Continued from the front page)

As you read through the Gospels, you see Jesus actively reaching out with a tender heart, restoring sight to the blind, raising the dead, feeding the hungry, forgiving sins, as well as sharing with those that listen, the words of life found only in Jesus Christ. It is as if the heart of Christ pursues those that need Him most. When Jesus enters into a situation, everything is restored.

I often preach about Jesus being our High Priest who mediates our sin. By focusing on Jesus as mediator, we often think of justice and reconciliation. This thought permeates the way in which we are justified and influences how we think of Jesus. Recapturing Jesus as gentle and lowly towards sinners is a word I needed to hear once again. The heart of Christ longs for reunification and He extends gentleness – not judgement to all that seek Him.

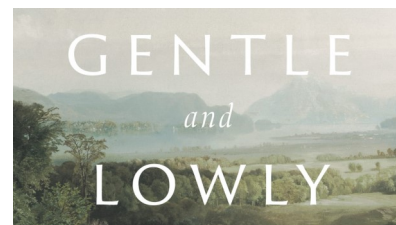
Jesus said in John 6:37, "*All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.*" The KJV says, "*I will in no wise cast out.*" How comforting to know that all who are in Christ will not be rejected – only welcomed! When we are saved, we are saved to the uttermost!

As I have been reading through this book, I am reminded once again, that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is now presently seated at the right hand of God. Jesus ascended back into heaven in His human flesh and is NOW interceding for us before our Heavenly Father. Hebrews 7:25 reminds us Jesus "*always lives to make intercession for them.*" He is also our advocate. He stands up for us and extends compassion and forgiveness to us. I John 2:1 says, "*If anyone does sin, we have an advocate.*"

How wonderful it is to know the heart of Jesus Christ is gentle and lowly. He is interceding and advocating for us! He loves us with an everlasting love and He extends grace and pardon freely.

Joseph Scriven wrote a hymn in 1855 to comfort his mother in a time of her grief. Over the years, I have found great comfort in the hymn "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." May these words (see front page) bring comfort to you as well.

May this be our prayer: "*Lord, help us realize we do not have to carry our burdens and cares alone. Remind us daily to come unto you to receive the much-needed rest for our souls!*"



Angels Among Us

A little girl wanted to know what the United States looked like. Her dad tore a map of the US from a magazine and then cut it into small pieces. He told her to go to her room and see if she can put it together.



After a few minutes, she returned and handed the map to her dad correctly fitted and taped together.

The dad was surprised and asked her how she was able to finish so quickly. She said the other side was a picture of Jesus and when I put him back together, then the country just came together.

Submitted by Shirlene Koonce (from a Facebook Post)



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Collection Week is November 15-22, 2021

There are 2 ways you can help!



1. You can pick up a box in the back of the sanctuary, pack it and enclose \$9.00 for each box for shipping.



2. You can build a box online for \$25.00 using the link below, or you can make a check out to the church and we will purchase the box for you.

<https://www.samaritanaspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/>

The \$25.00 includes shipping, essential items of pencils, tablet, toothbrush, pencil sharpener and brush or comb; 1 wow item, 3 small items and 2 accessories.

Laverne Burks Deacon of the Month November 2021

Laverne has been a member of Spilman since 1956. She was married to Joe Burks for almost 68 years. She has one daughter, Debra, two sons, Brian and Alan, six grandchildren, seven great-grand children, and one great-great-grandson. Her family is her pride and joy! She especially loves getting together for special occasions. Over the years, she has served on many committees, including kitchen, co-chaired benevolence as well as decorating and banner committee. Her church is very important to her. This year she was elected, for her first time, to serve as a deacon.



Wendy Conway Riley	11-4
Donna Cheek	11-4
Alena Cromer	11-5
Brenda Deans	11-5
Peggy Smith Elmore	11-8
Tanner E. Hawkins	11-11
Jessie Scott	11-14
Amber Arnold	11-18
Johnnee Rice	11-18
Clennis Tolston	11-19
Amy Whitfield	11-19
Dot Bennett	11-24
Archie Bennett	11-26
Betsy Shaver	11-27
Connie Conner	11-28

NOVEMBER 2021

NOV 3 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY BEGINS	3:00 PM
NOV 7 (SUN)	DEACON'S MEETING	8:00 AM
	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	"Who Was This Man" John 5:19-30	
	LORD'S SUPPER OBSERVED	
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
NOV 7-9 (SUN-TUE)	BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION GREENSBORO NC	
NOV 10 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
NOV 11 (MON)	LONG RANGE PLANNING COMM.	11:00 AM
NOV 14 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	"I AM The Bread of Life" John 6	
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
	CHURCH CONFERENCE	3:00 PM
NOV 15-18 MON - THUR	OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD	9-11:00 AM
NOV 17 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
NOV 19 (FRI)	OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD	3-5:00 PM
NOV 20 (SAT)	OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD	10-2:00 PM
NOV 21 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	"Christ Is King Sunday"	
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
	OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD	1-5:00 PM
	COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WESTMINSTER UMC	6:00 PM
NOV 22 (MON)	OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD	9-11:00 AM
NOV 24 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
NOV 28 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM

COVID UPDATE

From Donna Keith

Covid cases are going down now. Admissions to the hospital are also decreasing. Those that are in the hospital are very sick. There have been several deaths over the past few weeks. Just remain diligent in wearing your mask and washing your hands. Vaccines are still the best way to protect yourself and others. Don't forget, it is flu season too!



As you travel for the holidays, pay attention how active Covid is in the area you are going. Be aware of the various expectations as you travel. You may need to show proof of vaccination if traveling or going out of the country. Mask mandates also are applied differently in different areas.

Please enjoy your holidays and stay safe!



PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS



Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021 TIME FALLS BACK

Deacon's Meeting	8:00 AM
Sunday School	9:15 AM
Worship Service	10:30 AM
Lord's Supper Observed	
Choir Practice	2:00 PM

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY



November 3, 2021—3:00 p.m.
Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

NOVEMBER 2021 Sunday School Lesson's

Unit Three—Dialogues

- 7th - Ruth and Boaz (Ruth 4:17)
- 14th - Hannah and Eli (1 Sam. 1:20)
- 21st- Jesus and Pilate (John 18:37)

Unit Four — Advent Word Pairs

- 28th - Ready and Alert (Luke 21:36)