

Precious

“Unto you therefore which believe he is precious.” - I Peter 2:7

To be precious is to be of great value.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is of greater value than all else added together.

And to say so is such an understatement that it seems patently ridiculous.

He is our savior, redeemer, righteousness, wisdom, sanctifier, priest, king, life, light, truth, peace, hope, God, and heaven-giver.



In those few words are wrapped up the greatest benefits wrought from the most awful losses. From hell in its most unimaginable pain and horror He brings us to heaven in all its unimagined joy and bliss. What could be more precious than He and what He gives?

Now, how can we treat it . . . and Him . . . so carelessly, so casually as we often do?

To meditate with utmost gratitude on Him and His precious benefits night and day for a lifetime would not be too much.

Oh, my Lord, forgive me for giving You and your marvelous, gracious, indescribable provision so little attention, so little appreciation. What negligence on my part! What an awful sin!

And then to think that I could heed the evil one's whispered suggestions that seeking You in love is mere unnecessary emotionalism.

No! Far from it. Rather it is the most effective way I can spend time, resulting in the practical redirection of my life patterns.

Let me give myself more and more, then, to seeking our precious Christ in thanksgiving and love, rest and rejoicing.

Our great problem is that we're malcontent with what He allows in our lives.

In this state we cannot pray, we cannot seek Him; we cannot find rest and peace.

Everything is wrong.

To correct this situation, we must be willing to let God do absolutely whatever He wants with our lives without objection.

We need to let go whatever circumstances are into God's hands. Let control go absolutely and totally from our hands into God's hands. Have no will but His will.

I have learned in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.

I know both how to be abased,

And I know how to abound:
Everywhere and in all things
I am instructed both to be full
And to be hungry,
both to abound and to suffer need.
I can do all things
through Christ which strengtheneth me.

-Philippians 4:11-13

Indeed, there is nothing for which we more need the almighty power of our precious Christ than to be content in all things!!!