

God Delights to Give

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God delights to give boundless blessings to those who seek peace and please Him.

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Description

C.H. Spurgeon emphasizes that God delights in giving blessings to those who pursue peace, as demonstrated by Abram's generous actions towards Lot. By resolving family disputes and seeking harmony, Abram received God's promise of land and blessings for himself and his descendants. Spurgeon encourages believers to deny themselves for the sake of peace, assuring them that God will abundantly reward such sacrifices. He highlights that through faith, we can claim the boundless blessings that belong to us as heirs of God's covenant. Ultimately, when we align ourselves with God's ways, we can see all things as ours in Christ.

Transcript

And the Lord said unto Abraham, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward, for all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever. (Genesis 13:14-15)

A special blessing for a memorable occasion. Abram had settled a family dispute. He had said, "Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between thee and me, for we be brethren"; and hence he received the blessing which belongs to peacemakers. The Lord and giver of peace delights to manifest His grace to those who seek peace and pursue it.

If we desire closer communion with God, we must keep closer to the ways of peace.

Abram had behaved very generously to his kinsman, giving him his choice of the land. If we deny ourselves for peace's sake, the Lord will more than make it up to us. As far as the patriarch can see, he can claim, and we may do the like by faith. Abram had to wait for the actual possession, but the Lord entailed the land upon him and his posterity. Boundless blessings belong to us by covenant gift. All things are ours. When we please the Lord, He makes us to look everywhere and see all things our own, whether things present or things to come, all are ours, and we are Christ's, and Christ is God's.

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