

God With Us

by C.H. Spurgeon

The sermon emphasizes the comfort, strength, and hope that come from knowing God is with us, and encourages believers to be bravely diligent and joyously hopeful.

Scripture: Genesis 48:21, Psalm 23:4, Psalm 46:1, Isaiah 7:14, Isaiah 41:10, Matthew 1:23, John 14:18, Romans 8:31, 2 Corinthians 12:9, Hebrews 13:5

Topics: "God's Presence", "Comfort in Loss"

Description

C.H. Spurgeon emphasizes the profound assurance found in the promise 'God shall be with you,' as spoken by Jacob to Joseph. He reflects on the comfort that comes when loved ones depart, reminding us that God's presence remains with us, providing strength, safety, and companionship. Spurgeon encourages believers to find joy in the knowledge that God is with us in every aspect of our lives--individually, as families, and as churches. He highlights that with God by our side, we can face any challenge and that our endeavors will prosper under His guidance. Ultimately, the sermon calls for a hopeful and diligent spirit, celebrating the eternal presence of God among His people.

Transcript

God shall be with ye. (Genesis 48:21)

Good old Jacob could no more be with Joseph, for his hour had come to die: but he left his son without anxiety, for he said with confidence, "God shall be with you." When our dearest relations or our most helpful friends are called home by death, we must console ourselves with the reflection that the Lord is not departed from us but lives for us and abides with us forever.

If God be with us, we are in ennobling company, even though we are poor and despised. If God be with us, we have all-sufficient strength, for nothing can be too hard for the Lord. If God be with us, we are always safe, for none can harm those who walk under His shadow. Oh, what a joy we have here! Not only is God with us, but He will be with us.

With us as individuals; with us as families; with us as churches. Is not the very name of Jesus, Immanuel -- God with us? Is not this the best of all, that God is with us? Let us be bravely diligent and joyously hopeful. Our cause must prosper, the truth must win, for the Lord is with those who are with Him. All this day may this sweet word be enjoyed by every believer who turns to "faith's checkbook." No greater happiness is possible.

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