

Joy for the Cast-Out

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The Lord promises to appear for His persecuted people, bringing deliverance and shame to their oppressors.

Scripture: Psalm 27:10, Isaiah 66:5, Matthew 5:11

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Description

C.H. Spurgeon emphasizes the comfort and hope found in Isaiah 66:5 for those who have been wrongfully cast out by their peers due to their faithfulness to God. He acknowledges the pain of being rejected in the name of religion and highlights the irony of using God's name to justify such actions. Spurgeon reassures the faithful that the Lord will appear to their joy, serving as their advocate and defender against their oppressors. He encourages prayer for those who suffer unjustly, reminding them that their faithfulness will ultimately lead to their vindication and the shame of their adversaries.

Transcript

Hear the Word of the Lord, ye that tremble at his guard; Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my name's sake, said, Let the Lord be glorified: but he shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed. (Isaiah 66:5)

Possibly this text may not apply to one in a thousand of the readers of this little book of promises; but the Lord cheers that one in such words as these. Let us pray for all such as are cast out wrongfully born the society which they love. May the Lord appear to their joy!

The text applies to truly gracious men who tremble at the word of the Lord. These were hated of their brethren and at length cast out because of their fidelity and their holiness. This must have been very bitter to them; and all the more so because their casting out was done in the name of religion, and professedly with the view of glorifying God. How much is done for the devil in the name of God! The use of the name of Jehovah to add venom to the bite of the old serpent is an instance of his subtlety.

The appearing of the Lord for them is the hope of His persecuted people. He appears as the advocate and defender of His elect; and when He does so it means a clear deliverance for the God-fearing and shame for their oppressors. O Lord, fulfill this word to those whom men are deriding!

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