

# Saturday Evening

by John Newton

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*The speaker calls upon listeners to seek a blessing from God on the approaching Sabbath-day, acknowledging their gratitude for His providence and pleading for pardoning grace.*

**Scripture:** Psalm 23:1, Psalm 92:1, Psalm 121:7, Isaiah 26:3, Revelation 21:4

**Topics:** "Sabbath Rest", "Gospel Joy"

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## Description

John Newton preaches about the blessings of the Sabbath day, emphasizing the need to seek God's blessing as we approach it, recognizing His mercies throughout the week despite our ingratitude, and praying for pardoning grace through Jesus Christ. He encourages resting in God's presence at night, seeking His glory in the morning, and experiencing the joy of the Gospel that conquers sin and brings comfort to believers, ultimately leading to an everlasting feast in the church above.

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## Transcript

Safely through another week,  
God has brought us on our way;  
Let us now a blessing seek,  
On th' approaching Sabbath-day:  
Day of all the week the best,  
Emblem of eternal rest.  
Mercies multiply'd each hour  
Through the week our praise demand  
Guarded by Almighty pow'r,  
Fed and guided by his hand:  
Though ungrateful we have been,  
Only made returns of sin.

While we pray for pard'ning grace,  
Through the dear Redeemer's name,  
Show thy reconciled face,  
Shine away our sin and shame:  
From our worldly care set free,  
May we rest this night with thee.  
When the morn shall bid us rise,  
May we feel thy presence near!  
May thy glory meet our eyes  
When we in thy house appear!  
There afford us, Lord, a taste  
Of our everlasting feast.  
May thy Gospel's joyful sound  
Conquer sinners, comfort saints;  
Make the fruits of grace abound,  
Bring relief for all complaints:  
Thus may all our Sabbaths prove,  
Till we join the church above!

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