

(Depressed Disciples) the Fear of Death

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The sermon explores the fear of death among believers and emphasizes Christ's sovereignty and the peace available to them.

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Description

In this sermon, the preacher emphasizes the power and sovereignty of the Lord over the enemy. He describes a scene where the Lord comes down into a cell, causing chains to fall off and a sword to open up. The preacher highlights the importance of recognizing the Lord's sovereignty and magnifying Him through our lives. He then references 2nd Timothy chapter 4, where Paul is about to be beheaded and talks about the devil's attempts to disturb the peace and mindset of believers. The preacher also mentions the story of Job, where the devil tries to destroy everything Job has, but Job remains faithful and blesses the name of the Lord. The sermon concludes by addressing depressed disciples and emphasizing the difference between the mind of a believer and an unbeliever. The preacher refers to Romans chapter 12, where Paul urges believers to present their bodies as living sacrifices.

Transcript

We're going to sort of shorten them down a little bit and let everybody away home in a sort of good time this evening. We start this series this evening called Depression and I want to sort of underline for you that it's depressed disciples that I'm talking to. You know, I believe that the mind of the believer and the mind of the unbeliever are two different minds.

I was talking to two medical doctors just the other day and they say, you know, we can't agree with you here that the mind in man is just the mind in man. So I just had to have a bit of a go with them and I said, you know, when Paul was writing to the Romans in chapter 12, he said, I beseech you therefore brethren and by the mercies of God that you present your bodies a living sacrifice wholly acceptable unto the Lord which is a reasonable service and be transformed by the renewing of your mind. So I said to this very capable doctor do you think that you could say this to an unbeliever? You see, when you get born again the understanding that was darkened is now enlightened.

Do you remember that Isaiah the prophet speaking to God about the children of God? He said, thou wilt keep them in perfect peace whose minds have stayed on me because he trusted in me. You see, that's a believer trusting the Lord. And of course as he goes on continually and daily, unceasingly in storm and

sand God is quite capable of giving him perfect peace.

Do you remember that Paul writing to the Philippians said be anxious for nothing but in everything by prayer and supplication the thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God and the peace of God. What a mighty phrase, the peace of God. Do you think you could expound the peace of God? Nothing that ever happened on this planet disturbed the peace of God.

Hitler never disturbed the peace of God. Nor any storm, nor cyclone or anything that happened down here never disturbed the peace of God. And the peace of God, remember, belongs to the believer.

That the peace of God might garrison your heart and mind. You see, this is very thrilling. I said to this other doctor, he was chirping in now and again, I said listen Paul is saying to these believers at Philippi let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ.

Do you think you can say that to them on this planet? I'm afraid you can't. I think you would need to get paid first. So what we are doing in these meetings we are talking about depression, but remember we're thinking about depressed disciples.

Oh yes, the children of God, while they have so many things going their way because they're gloriously saved. Remember, they're not always at peace. And I don't think we should try to block that.

You remember Paul writing that great letter to the Hebrews and he said Consider him who endured such contradiction of sinners against himself lest ye be weary and faint in your minds. And you see I've met believers here and there and yonder, all classes, all creeds, all ages. And I find them weary and faint in their minds.

The very death becomes depressed disciples. You remember that Paul wrote that letter to the Thessalonians and he wrote it for this purpose. Thou ye be not soon shaken in mind.

You know you can have your mind shaken all right never mind whether you're saved or not. You see somebody could write a letter to you and you open it first post in the morning and you read it and there's things in that letter and they really shake you. Or you could meet somebody on the street and you think he's on his way to Canaan's lands and he starts to talk to you and he says things to you and then he says them about somebody else.

But he shakes you. You're being inoculated at that moment with something that might disturb you all day and that's a terrible thing. And the devil sees that it's done again and again and again.

You see the believer can become weary and faint in his mind. And don't forget that Paul talks in this book about the feeble minded. And we will come to that in one of these studies one of these nights.

Now you see the old devil has so many lines that he works through to disturb the peace and upset the mind of the believer. And these are the lines that I'm taking each night in the Bible class I think maybe they'll run for about 12 weeks or maybe 14 weeks or so. You see he takes the fear of death and he upsets some people.

Upsets them very much. You know he's been at this since the world began. You remember when our Lord Jesus died on yonder cross that it does say that through death he destroyed them that had the power of death which is the devil.

And we shall have to examine very carefully this very night what it means when it says he has the power of death. It cannot mean that he has the power of death in the absolute sense. Otherwise there's not one of us left at the end of this meeting.

Although he hasn't it in the absolute sense but he has it in a certain sense which we will come to. And you see when our Lord Jesus Christ died through death he destroyed him that had the power of death which is the devil and delivered them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. And this is the line he takes when he comes to believers and he does certain things with them and he depresses them and upsets them and we find them here and there and yonder and they're really disturbed and distracted and oppressed and axed just because the devil uses this line.

Well we should try to contrast him in these meetings and I'm sure that's the reason that I've had a rough day this day. Then you know he takes the line of insecurity. So many people you know they turn and look down the years and they just wonder how I'll finish the race and maybe there'll be nobody to help me.

They can see an old people's home and all the rest of it. Now it's when your youthful days are gone and old age is creeping on and your body bends beneath its load of care. It's when you're fainting your own faintness it's when you realize that you're almost done as we use the word and you become an old woman or an old man and instead of being in the forefront of the battle you're away back here as it were you're not able to do the things you used to do.

And when Israel came out of Egypt you know they were all redeemed but away at the back called the Hindmost and I think one of the great poets said this that power belongeth to the mighty but let the devil take the Hindmost or the Hindmost. Now when Israel is coming out of Egypt we will find that right at the back of the line there was the faint and the weary and the distressed then came Amalek and you know he began to tackle the ones at the end of the line he destroyed the Hindmost and this is what the devil does again and again and again and we shall counteract it. Of course you know there are folks who are troubled with the name of loneliness and there are more lonely folks in this world than you've ever dreamed of.

Old Moody said this if you preach to lonely souls you will never be with other noblemen because there are people lonely in this world from so many different angles they're lonely and the devil uses this and you see we're going to go into all these and many more as we go through these lines of his attack and we're going to try to liberate the saints and get them on the feet to be steadfast and unmovable and always abounding in the work of the Lord. Now we're going to look at this fear of death tonight and I did this in the morning one Sunday morning some time ago but if we're going to take this line I think we need to have a good look at it this evening. Now let me say this to you because some of the greatest believers this world has ever seen were afraid of death.

You see you think Elijah and what a character he was he was a warrior and he stood on Mount Carmel and he took 850 old diabolical prophets and he overturned them and he slew them and he won the day and turned the nation back to God. And you know when Ahab saw what was done and went home like a madman and then threw the gates and shut them and he said to Jezebel his wife he has destroyed every one of the prophets and she came and looked over the wall and sent a messenger to say by this time tomorrow I will make your life as one of them and I'll tell you what happened he fled.

Oh he was afraid he was afraid of a particular kind of death he didn't want to die at her hands and you see he ran away to Beersheba which is the most southerly point in the land because the land was always measured from down to Beersheba and he left his servant there and went a day's journey into the

wilderness I wish you could see him with the hair down and he's chomping on and then he gets onto the juniper tree and then he lies down and he says let me die well he didn't mind this kind of death at all if you just take my breath away and let me die here I'm alright but he was afraid of the death the death of Jezebel oh he was afraid of death you know David sang the 23rd Psalm and we sing it with all our hearts and why wouldn't we Ye go I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I

will fear no evil well I'm afraid that was alright that day because he was on the mountaintop but there came other days in the life of David there were days when he lay in the cave of Adullam and looked out and he was really down in the dumps he said my spirit is overwhelmed within me and when my spirit is overwhelmed within me then I'll use my power and one day lying looking out he turned to Juab and he said I shall yet perish by the hand of Saul oh he did you know he was afraid that Saul would get his clutches on him that he would die by the hand of Saul there wasn't that he was just a big man the man that faced the giant remember and did a thousand exploits he's afraid now and I think the poem writes in this when John was on the island of Patmos and he's an old man and he's a prisoner

there and he's all alone when the Lord Jesus came what a wonderful day that was it was the Lord's day John heard the voice behind him saying I am Alpha and Omega and he said I turned to see the voice that speaks with me and being turned I saw one like unto the Son of Man that was the Lord Jesus I guess if there's any Russellites here I'd like you to know the Lord Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega in case you didn't know that the beginning and the ending sir the I am yes and John could feel as tall as his feet and he laid his hand on John touched him and this is what he said to him he said fear not oh now why that bitch did John know he was going to die on this barren island and he did you know and the Lord Jesus laid his hand tenderly on him and said look don't be afraid I am he that

liveth and walketh dead you know I died one day but the day I died I took the keys of box that's my gristle John you'll not die John until I put the key in the door you see when you see men like Elijah and men like David men like the apostle John being afraid then you know we're all sort of inoculated with the same sort of stuff and we do get afraid at night and the old devil comes round in these terrible days that we're living in some of you are alone at night and some loony shakes the door at two in the morning frightens you and the devil uses this now I'm going to show you tonight how we can be more than conquerors even in this situation and we're going to use the Bible to do that now that's all sort of introduction and we're starting on this now the fear of death now come with me to

Hebrews chapter 2 please the letter to the Hebrews and we're at the second chapter and we're reading at verse 14 for as much then of the children are partakers of flesh and blood he also himself likewise took part of the same you see when he came to this planet he was perfectly human of course he didn't cease to be what he had always been he was God but he had now become what he never was before without ceasing to be what he had always been you see he was God manifest in flesh and he took with flesh and blood that he might die for as much then of the children are partakers of flesh and blood he also himself likewise took part of the same that through death he might destroy him that had the power of the devil must be getting near me now I thought I was getting off of this I will not leave

this until I've delivered this no matter what he does there's one of you behind me anyway that through death he may destroy him that had the power of death that is the devil now if that phrase him that had the power of death now in what sense had the devil the power of death I've already said to you not in the absolute sense you see if the devil had the power of death in the absolute sense then we would never finish this matter and believers all over the world would be blotted up he would kill us but he hasn't this

power in the absolute sense but he has it in a sense alright you see to get this proper you have to go all the way back to Eden's garden and you have to see God coming into the garden at the cool of the day and you have to see Adam and Eve and Satan standing before God and God

looked at the devil and said because thou hast done this I will put enmity between thee and the woman between my seed and her seed and then he said to Adam and thus thou art and on the dust shall thou return and if I'm right I think the devil smiled I think he's stumbling back there a wee bit sort of smiling you see he's always been a usurper he's always claimed to own things that he doesn't really own and I think that all down through the ages he had great joy in singing the body of Abraham shall return I think he was a big man laid in the tomb and this body went into doubt the devil laughed because I walked that out you know and then he saw the body of Jacob and Joseph he saw the body of Daniel and Isaiah Jeremiah and he saw the bodies of all the saints right down the ages going into

the grave going into dust and he sort of used to search this thing he said that's my power I did that on my own but then you see there came another wonderful conqueror through the fight and he was born in Bethlehem and he set his face to go to Jerusalem and on the old rugged cross he gave up a ghost and died Christ died now let's get this bit quite clear because I'm afraid we haven't been clear you know death had no claims on him and into this realm he stopped actually one of the translations says he dismissed the spirit and you can't do that and he stepped into this realm and they take his dead body down from the tree and they leave it in the tomb now let's get this quite clear that he's dead I am he that liveth and was dead and this body is dead and they roll the stone and everything

inside that tomb that is dead ah but there were demons in there you can't keep them out oh the devil's in there but he's going to smile again as it goes into corruption you see this has been his all down through the years and he's smiling and he stands there the old night through both hours of Friday and through Saturday and then on the first day of the week as the devil watched this body it's dead, it was going to dust this body moved oh that shook him this body actually moved and this body came through the greenscrolls without disturbing the fold of them this body rose again and this wonderful Lord of all at birth and death at that moment shed it beneath his feet yes you know at that moment he took the keys he took the keys and said you know you've fiddled about long enough it's at

Christ's giver now I have the keys on I have the keys both of hell and of death you see what we've got to see right away here we've got to see that our Lord as he triumphed over death as he abolished death and brought life and immortality to life we've got to see that he's sovereign here now that's the thing that the saints need to see most you know the Lord is sovereign not only over death but over everything and that goes for disease and all the rest of it we'll get there not only sovereign over death but everything and everyone that goes for all our races yes he's sovereign over death and over everyone and everything connected with it yes he is you know well that's very thrilling if you can get this into your heart this evening and we can bury it there and it is called a good harvest

let's go way back to the book of Job now Job and just to save time I think you know the story don't you that in the first chapter the Lord said unto Satan at verse 7 Job chapter 1 it's just before the book of Psalms and it's just after Esther and take your time until you find the place because the place is most important and I was just saved and went to the meeting if the preacher preached out of anywhere except Matthew, Mark, Luke, John well I couldn't find it but I was never afraid I always handed the Bible to the woman next to me you can't get somebody to get it for you you have to learn, we all have to learn now in Job chapter 1 verse 7 and the Lord said unto Satan you see that our boys have learned to argue with me that Satan is

not a personality tell me how God talked to something

that's an abstract oh no he's talking to a person and the Lord, you might as well say the Lord is abstract and the Lord said unto Satan whence comest thou? then Satan answered the Lord cause this person can talk back and said from going to and from the earth and from walking up and down it and Dr.

Barnhill said to me one day when he said that he's a liar he's a liar from the beginning he said he wasn't walking up and down the earth he was around at Job's backyard and he was trying to get in on them and he had been there for weeks cause God knew where he was you know verse 7 and the Lord said unto Satan whence comest thou? and Satan said from going up and down the earth and so on verse 8 and the Lord said unto Satan hast thou considered my servant Job? cause he knew right well he was considering his servant Job that there is none like him in the earth the perfect and the upright man one that seetheth God and executes evil and then this subtle old Satan said answered the Lord and said doth Job fear God for naught? you know he began to say to God sure you have given him farms and he

has 7,000 sheep and 3,000 camels he has 7 sons and 3 daughters and he's well off in fact he was the greatest man in the east at that time Job the devil said you know if you destroyed some of them if you'd even allow me to destroy some of it he'd curse you to your face well I'll take you up on that now cause I know this free man no matter what happens he's still trusting so he's given the devil permission allowing him this is what we call the permissive will of God he says alright go you round if you've been captured you'll find that in 24 hours he destroyed 7,000 sheep and 3,000 camels and 7 sons and 3 daughters and when everything was lying round the wheat farmer he got down on his knees and he lifted his hands and he said blessed be the Lord the Lord gave and the Lord hath allowed it to

be taken away blessed be the name of the Lord you know the devil was really deep here so he came round in the next chapter we're at chapter 2 then so I'm going to save time save me too and you know verse 3 the Lord said unto Satan hast thou considered my servant Job that is not like him in the earth a persistent and upright man, one that fears God and eschews evil and still he holdeth fast his integrity although thou lovest me against him to destroy him without cause and it's a good thing for some of the argumentative critics of the Bible to underline without cause so they're trying to tell me that Job was a sinner when God says he's a persistent and upright man I don't know what way they read, they only read their own ideas into it and so Satan answered the Lord in verse 4 and said skin

for skin yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life but put forth thine hand now and touch his bone and his flesh and he will curse thee to thy face and the Lord said unto Satan behold he is in thine hand now watch this wee bitch but save thy life so you're not allowed to kill him you see the Lord was giving him permission to do what he liked with Job's body and his bones and I can tell you he made a mess of the woman because he went out and with one stroke from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet he had him covered with a loathsome disease called elephantitis big boily scabs all over him and it was absolutely stinking from the crown of the head to the soles of his feet you see what I want to show you is that the Lord is sovereign over Satan and you just go as far as

the Lord allows you by yes, oh I have no doubts in my mind Dr.

Barnhouse Rock, Pope Stewart, stand with me and said you know when the Lord allowed him to touch Job's body he didn't need to poison him or anything he just touched him with his hands and he knows so much about the human body that in an instant he was covered with this loathsome disease so he walked on a little bit with the head down and then he said did Satan bring this disease on? yes sir could he touch

him and heal him the next minute? yes sir and you'll have to watch the devil when you're talking about healing because I think the devil's at work sometimes but we'll get into that department sooner or later you know all you've got to see here is that the Lord was sovereign over Satan in connection with death oh Satan can't kill you if the Lord says no you see he's limited, he's a wee

fella he just can go as far as God will allow, no further it's impossible for him to kill Job there was a very dear lady in this very assembly who was a good woman, a godly woman still is she's a wretched husband who wasn't saved he was a bad man and he still is and he came into that little vestry one day through the door and I had to watch him he's no good he says I want to confess something to you, get out and I got Popeye the priest to confess something to me he says it concerns you oh well if it concerns me I'll listen to it now he's a commercial traveller and he's earning four figures now I'll tell you how much the fool that he has some brains somewhere brilliant possibly in his own job says I'll be getting up at four o'clock every morning for the last six months asking the devil to

destroy you I said somebody should buy you comic books I said you're going crackers, that's what you're doing I said if the devil could destroy me he wouldn't wait for a fool like you you haven't done before you were in the bed did you ever hear such loony talk in all your life oh no I'm not afraid of that end of it the devil will not touch me unless the Lord allows him and if the Lord allows him it will suit me won't it the Lord is sovereign over Satan in this matter of death let's get that bit yes let's go through Philippians chapter 2 Paul's writing to the Philippians here and up the second chapter and this is a mighty caution for us all Philippians chapter 2 and verse 25 Paul writing to these saints of Philippi said yet I suppose it necessary to send thee, you Epaphroditus my brother

and companion in labour and fellow soldier but your messenger he that ministereth to my wants so Epaphroditus gets a real testimony here from Paul for he longed after you all was full of heaviness because that he had heard that he had been sick did you see the testimony my brother companion in labour fellow soldier your messenger he that ministereth to my wants he was a good man you know just the son of a clown going round preaching saying if a saint gets sick it must have come from one ah well there was never sin in the Epaphroditus or Job in case you don't know it wasn't sin at all and you've got to come here to learn this bit and take it in and stop your arguing and get out of that old fallacy that you're in yes this man wasn't sinning in that shape or form now he longed after you all

was full of heaviness because that he had heard that he had been sick for indeed he was sick nigh unto death great but there isn't there but God had mercy on him and not on him only but on me also lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow I sent him therefore the more carefully that when you see him again you may rejoice and that I may be able that I may be less sorrowful receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness and hold such in reputation yes sir because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death see I had a friend in this afternoon he knows a thing or two about medicine he said you go up there with that temperature on you I don't think that we should just re-do things with us doing them well we're pretty good to ourselves aren't we my God some of you have been dead for a week

and the wee woman thought nothing done with T.T. yes this fellow was sick nigh unto death for the work of the Lord not regarding his life yes you know there were men in the Old Testament who hazarded their lives oh we've got to do a bit of this hazarding you see this disease that he had he was just worn out this Peter took the coat off and worked the shrut of his back and he's worn out and he's really sick I'll tell you that Paul had brought gifts he could heal the sick at times if you watch him in fact he got medicals in fact he did many wonderful things although this fellow was so near to him he never did anything for him oh no

I'll tell you what healed this fellow the mercy of God but God had mercy on him what I want you to get the hold of that the Lord is sovereign over disease and

death you know this fellow darn and almost out but the Lord is sovereign he's not just letting him die like that I think that's wonderful isn't it don't forget the Lord is sovereign the devil can do nothing about it unless the Lord would allow him and I don't think disease will take you away if the Lord wants you here I'll buck off a bit and stop lying mourning around yes let's go to John's gospel chapter 21 for a moment the gospel by John and the chapter 21 I think this is one of the most beautiful portions in the book you see our Lord Jesus has risen from the dead and he came to the shores of Galilee and he's meeting his disciples and he's talking to Peter verse 17 just saving time you can read the story at your leisure he, the Lord, saith unto him, Peter, the third time Simon, son of

Jonas, lovest thou me?

Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time lovest thou me and he said unto him Lord, thou knowest all things thou knowest that I love thee Jesus said unto him, keep my sheep and then he said this very tenderly to them verily, verily I say unto thee when thou wast young now let's get up this is you see Peter wasn't a young man here or his youthful days are gone he's not an old man is he or not he says when thou wast young thou didst thyself and walketh whether thou wouldest but when thou shalt be old oh wouldn't this be nice if the Lord came into the bedroom and said you know you're going to live to be a very old man there's nobody to keep you you know and there's no one going to you don't think our Lord would be wrong do you if you're going to live till you're a very old

man and I believe that Peter was quick enough to take this in you know cause when I find him had arrested and put him in prison and he's going to bring him forth in the morning and cut his head off Peter is sleeping between two so I had some of the preachers at some time saying my this is dreadful that this man lying asleep it may not be as dreadful at all he knew he was as safe as a bank I'm not old yet but come his age I'm old the Lord said when thou shalt be old you see what I'm getting at and I hope you see what I'm getting at the Lord is sovereign over the span of life before death he knows the number of my days you know same as how long I'll go on well let's get this into our hearts I'm always afraid of preaching and then you miss it let's get it that the Lord Jesus tonight is

sovereign over God he's sovereign let's get it that he's sovereign over the devil he can't do a thing unless the Lord allows it he says this can go so far and no present he's sovereign over disease in a flash he can sit you on your feet he's sovereign over the span of life before you meet death he says when thou shalt be old now I want you to get this bit in now too John 21 verily verily I say unto thee talking to Peter when thou wast young thou didst by thyself and walkest whether thou wouldest but when thou shalt be old and another shall give thee and carry thee whether thou wouldest not when thou shalt be old thou shalt stretch forth thy hands and another shall give thee now let's do this you know let's try this you see here's Peter and the Lord is saying you know when you're old

they'll stretch forth your hands like that and they'll gird them now this is what he said here this speak he in verse 19 signifying by what death Peter should glorify God you know he had selected the death cause he's not only sovereign over the span of life before death but he's sovereign over what kind of death we shall die you know he had selected this for Peter he was going to be crucified he died like his mother you know he said I shall stretch forth your hands and they'll gird you and we're told by the great historians whether you can depend on them or not is another thing but we're told by them that Peter was crucified that's how

he became a martyr for the Lord and when they were tying him on the cross he says oh no that will turn me upside down I'm not fit to die like my Lord and

it's said that Peter died upside down on the cross the Lord had selected this death for him long long ago this gives me great joy this evening because if I have to die then the Lord will select this yeah he'll put the key in the door he knows what kind of death may be cancer, may be this, may be that oh but when you're a believer you've got to get it into your mind that the Lord's sovereign over all this over death itself he's stumped upon it I'm printing a little book for Easter for this class and I'm calling it the death of death and I'm showing you how death was destroyed you see this is very wonderful isn't it because I want to tell you that he's sovereign over the devil and death and sovereign over disease and death and sovereign over the span of life before death and sovereign over

what kind of death we die now he's sovereign over the hand that would bring death let's go to Acts chapter 12 till you see this Acts chapter 12 and verse 1 the Acts of the Apostles chapter 12 and verse 1 now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex get the word in certain of the church and he killed James the brother of John with a sword you remember when our Lord was upset in places he always put Peter and James and John with him our this is James the brother of John now the Lord stood back and let him be beheaded by Herod stood back he can do this you see sometimes the Lord allows the enemy to kill a good man well I think Stephen was a good man the Lord stood back and let the Sanhedrin stone him to death you see the Lord has his plans in all this because it was

when Stephen was being stoned and Saul of Tarsus was watching he could see this believer die like he had never seen anybody else die before with glory on his very face praying for those who were thrown stones now the Lord allowed James to be killed and killed James the brother of John with a sword and because he saw it pleased the Jews this pleased them very much he proceeded further to take Peter also now he is going to take his head off his head not this time he is not the Lord says no oh no you are not doing that see the Lord just came down into the cell and the chain fell off and the door opened of its own accord and he dropped them out and he is not allowing the enemy oh I think you must see that the Lord is sovereign over this all this is really thrilling you know my if the Lord

wants to magnify himself through this body by life or by death then I think it is wonderful yes do you see this I want you to get this bit in lets go away to 2nd Timothy and we are at chapter 4 2nd Timothy chapter 4 now Paul is talking here in fact he is dictating this letter and the next day he is going to be beheaded verse 6 2nd Timothy chapter 4 verse 6 for I am now ready to be offered for the time of my departure is at hand and somehow the Lord came down and told him as you know the race has run now taken you home now you have gone well and I am sure you got well done you see this man knew that his hour had come that the time of my departure the time when he is departing from the body yes he knew that he had come you see the Lord is sovereign over the hour why he was in death after

all but he didn't die he was a knight in the day and the deep but he didn't die he was beaten with stripes and with rods oh when you go into the sufferings of Paul you would wonder how he lasted out you know I think the devil was after him all his life and the moment they placed his head on the block the next morning and they had taken it off the devil says I have you and he looked up and smiled and said no that's all I have finished the course was finished I have finished my course I have kept the faith you see the Lord knew about his own hour and when the hour was come I want you to get all these because if you turn them over in your mind and try and remember where they were you see he is sovereign over if we die or not we may not die you see although Elijah ran for his life and was

afraid to die at the hands of Jezebel and he lay on to the dune of the tree and said let me die you know he never died he went to heaven without dying this fellow and way back before the flood Enoch didn't die oh the old devil will come round to try to torture you and vex you saying this about you and that about you and you can take the flu the way I have taken it and you can have pains in every muscle and bone don't get too excited about it we are going to see in a moment my time are in my heart do we mean it at all do we see our sovereign Lord and if we get this put right then we will know that we are more than comfortable 6th week 1 and Albert is taking over thank you next week we are going to look at the lane of loneliness or meditating and security our heavenly father we thank you

for the help given to thy servant in humbling the word of God this evening we pray that thou will keep thy hand upon him that thou will strengthen him and help him further for the tasks and the meetings that lie at his hands in the days shortly to come and we thank thee for this avenue of thy word that we have been led down this evening and we thank thee for the truth that we have been shown and we pray that each one of us this evening as we go from this place that it may be with the loins of our minds to jerk about with the truth that we have heard this evening and we pray that when the devil comes to trouble us and annoy us that in the conflict of we may be more than conquerors through our Lord Jesus Christ and through the might of the word of God for thy name's sake we ask Amen

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