



**A very warm welcome
Sunday 9 May 2021**

Welcome - Mikey Williams

When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold;
He must hold me fast.

Chorus

*He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Saviour loves me so,
He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight,
Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight,
He will hold me fast.
He'll not let me soul be lost;
His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

Confession

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, in the evil we have done and in the good we have not done, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry, and repent of all our sin. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Chorus

For my life He bled and died,
Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life,
He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last!

Chorus

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Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done on Earth as in Heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Notices

Prayers - Miriam Orr

O wonderful, wonderful Word of the Lord!

True wisdom its pages unfold;
And though we may read them a thousand
times o'er,
They never, no never, grow old!
Each line hath a treasure, each promise a
pearl,
That all if they will may secure;
And we know that when time and the world
pass away,
God's Word shall forever endure.

O wonderful, wonderful Word of the Lord!

The lamp that our Father above
So kindly has lighted to teach us the way
That leads to the arms of His love!
Its warnings, its counsels, are faithful and
just;
Its judgments are perfect and pure;
And we know that when time and the world
pass away,
God's Word shall forever endure.

O wonderful, wonderful Word of the Lord!

Our only salvation is there;
It carries conviction down deep in the heart,
And shows us ourselves as we are.
It tells of a Saviour, and points to the cross,
Where pardon we now may secure;
For we know that when time and the world
pass away,
God's Word shall forever endure.

O wonderful, wonderful Word of the Lord!

The hope of our friends in the past;
Its truth, where so firmly they anchored
their trust,
Through ages eternal shall last.
O wonderful, wonderful Word of the Lord!
Unchanging, abiding and sure;
For we know that when time and the world
pass away,
God's Word shall forever endure.

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Reading - Joshua 7:1-26, Beatrice Born

Talk - Chris Fishlock

Introduction

1. The nature of sin: to ignore God's word and follow desire
2. The effects of sin: never just private and always hurts others
3. The consequence of sin: it must lead to the Lord's just judgement

Conclusion

Application

Questions

Why is it vital that we understand the true nature of sin?

The effects of sin are far-reaching. In what ways has this challenged me?

The consequences of sin are truly shocking: Why do we need to know this?

O great God of highest heav'n

Occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme
Conquer ev'ry rebel pow'r
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me
Make me Yours forever more

Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised
With my ev'ry thought and deed
O great God of highest heav'n
Glorify Your Name through me

I was blinded by my sin
Had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within
Had no taste for heaven's joys
Then Your Spirit gave me life
Opened up Your word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son
Gave me endless hope and peace

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Final words

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