

Sermon notes: July 25, 2021

When The Parachute Is About To Drop

Passage: **1 Peter 3:13-15**

¹³ Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear their threats^[a]; do not be frightened."^[b] ¹⁵ But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

We All Want To Be Blessed

Matthew 5:3 ³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:10 ¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

To Be Blessed We Must Deal With Fear

Isaiah 8:11-13 ¹¹ This is what the LORD says to me with his strong hand upon me, warning me not to follow the way of this people:

¹² "Do not call conspiracy everything this people calls a conspiracy; do not fear what they fear, and do not dread it.

¹³ The LORD Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy, he is the one you are to fear, he is the one you are to dread.

1 John 4:4 ⁴ You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

To Defeat Fear, We Must Fear

Matthew 6:9 ⁹ "This, then, is how you should pray: "'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

Ephesians 1:21-22 ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church,

Conclusion

Eye Of The Storm

Chorus

In the eye of the storm
You remain in control
In the middle of the war
You guard my soul
You alone are the anchor
When my sails are torn
Your love surrounds me
(In the eye of the storm)

Verse 1

When the solid ground is falling out
From underneath my feet
Between the black skies and my red eyes
I can barely see
When I realize I've been sold out
By my friends and my family
I can feel the rain reminding me

Verse 2

When my hopes and dreams are far from me
And I'm runnin' out of faith
I see the future I picture
Slowly fade away
And when the tears of pain and heartache
Are pouring down my face
I find my peace in Jesus' name

Verse 3

When the test comes in and the doctor says
I've only got a few months left
It's like a bitter pill I'm swallowin'
I can barely take a breath
And when addiction steals my baby girl
And there's nothin' I can do
My only hope is to trust You
I trust You Lord

Interlude

Oh in the eye of
Lord in the eye of the storm

I know You're watchin' me yeah
Eh

Bridge

When the storm is ragin'
(When the storm is ragin')
And my hope is gone
(And my hope is gone Lord)
When my flesh is failin'
You're still holdin' on
(Oh)

Bridge

When the storm is ragin'
(When the storm is ragin')
And my hope is gone
(And all my hope is gone)
When my flesh is failin'
(When my flesh is failin')
You're still holdin' on
(Oh)

Bridge

When the storm is ragin'
(When the storm is ragin')
And my hope is gone
(And my hope is gone Lord)
Even when my flesh is failin'
(When my flesh is failin')
You're still holdin' on holdin' on

Spoken Words

The Lord is my shepherd I have all that I need
He lets me rest in green meadows
He leads me beside peaceful streams
He renews my strength
He guides me along right paths
Bringing honor to His name
Even when I walk through the darkest valley
I will not be afraid
For You are close beside me

Trust In You

Verse 1

Letting go of every single dream
I lay each one down at Your feet
Every moment of my wondering
Never changes what You see

Verse 2

I've tried to win this war I confess
My hands are weary I need Your rest
Mighty warrior King of the fight
No matter what I face You're by my side

Chorus

When You don't move the mountains
I'm needing You to move
When You don't part the waters
I wish I could walk through
When You don't give the answers
As I cry out to You
I will trust I will trust
I will trust in You

Verse 3

Truth is You know what tomorrow brings
There's not a day ahead You have not seen
So in all things be my life and breath
I want what You want Lord and nothing less

Bridge

You are my strength and comfort
You are my steady hand
You are my firm foundation
The Rock on which I stand
Your ways are always higher
Your plans are always good
There's not a place where I'll go
You've not already stood

Walk By Faith

Verse 1

Will I believe You when You say
Your hand will guide my ev'ry way
Will I receive the words You say
Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day

Chorus

Well I will walk by faith
Well even when I cannot see
Because this broken road
Prepares Your will for me

Verse 2

Help me to rid my endless fears
You've been so faithful for all my years
With one breath You made me new
Your grace covers all I do
Yeah yeah yeah
Yeah yeah yeah

Bridge

Well I'm broken
But I still see Your face
Well You've spoken
Pouring Your words of grace

Ending

Well hallelujah hallelu
Well hallelujah hallelu

Safe

Verse 1

To the one whose dreams are falling all apart
And all you're left with is a tired and broken heart
I can tell by your eyes you think you're on your own
But you're not alone

Verse 2

Have you heard of the One
Who can calm the raging sea
Give sight to the blind
Pull the lame up to their feet
With a love so strong He'll never let you go
Oh you're not alone

Chorus

You will be safe in His arms
You will be safe in His arms
(Cause) the hands that hold the world
Are holding your heart
This is the promise He made
He will be with you always
When ev'rything is falling apart
You will be safe in His arms

Verse 3

Did you know
That the voice that brings the dead to life
Is the very same voice that calls you now to rise
So hear Him now He's calling you home
You will never be alone

Bridge

These are the hands that built the mountains, The hands that calmed the sea
These are the arms that hold the heavens, They are holding you and me
These are the hands that healed the leper, Pulled the lame up to their feet
These are the arms that were nailed to a cross, To break our chains and set us free

Ending

You will be safe, You will be safe
When ev'rything is falling apart
You will be safe in His arms