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Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Hymn 87




To God Be The Glory

Hymn 363



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Call to Worship
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Faith of Our Fathers

Hymn 526



This is My Father's World

Hymn 6





Praise and Prayer Request

Philippians 1:3-6 I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

Receiving of the Offering



2 Corinthians 9:5 So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to go on ahead to you and arrange in advance for the gift you have promised, so that it may be ready **as a willing gift**, not as an exaction.

Famous Quote:

“Give me one hundred preachers who fear nothing but sin and desire nothing but God, and I care not a straw whether they be clergymen or laymen, such alone will shake the gates of hell and set up the kingdom of God upon earth.”

JOHN WESLEY

An open book is shown from a low angle, looking up at the pages. The pages are filled with small, dense text, likely a Bible. The book is set against a bright blue sky with wispy white clouds. The text is overlaid in a large, bold, black font.

Today's Message

“H.E.L.P. and H.O.P.E”

Scripture text: Hebrews 6:13-20

The Mullahs Promise "Demise of Israel" and American Civilization

The Iranian government continues to [defy](#) international standards, as it refuses to act as a rational and constructive state, even apart from its repeated malign behavior in the [Gulf of Oman](#) this week. Iran's Supreme Guide Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who enjoys the final say in all of Iran's domestic and foreign policies, recently [proclaimed](#) to the youth in Iran that they will soon witness the demise of Israel and all of American civilization. This announcement was [confirmed](#) on the Supreme Leader's official website.

<https://www.gatestoneinstitute.org/14328/iran-threats-israel-us>

Never Trump Elites now claim prayer for Donald Trump is heresy

Christians know there are reliable sources for theology. The progressives at the Washington Post are not one of those trusted sources. If they print an opinion piece from a “conservative” or “Christian,” then you can be assured it will somehow attack bible-believing Christians and the Christian worldview. That’s exactly what Michael Gerson’s commentary does for the Never Trump establishment. Gerson spews his hate for Franklin Graham and conservative, bible-believing Christians.

<http://capstonereport.com/2019/06/07/never-trump-elites-now-claim-prayer-for-donald-trump-is-heresy/32540/>

Armed Antifa To Attend Children's Event!

Public library will close to host Drag Queen Story Hour, as ANTIFA announces they will 'defend the event'



UK Bans 'Offensive' Traditional Family Stereotypes From Adverts

Industry watchdog the Advertising Standards Authority imposes rules

Advertising regulators in the UK will begin banning traditional 'harmful' family stereotypes from adverts **as part of a new crackdown that came into force on Friday.** The new rules for advertisers include not using “gender stereotypes which are likely to cause harm or serious or widespread offense.”

READ MORE: <https://neonnettle.com/news/7826-uk-bans-offensive-traditional-family-stereotypes-from-adverts>

Pastor Arrested for Preaching Against Homosexuality

Pastor David Lynn of Christ Forgiveness Ministries was arrested on June 4, 2019, for preaching the gospel publicly in Toronto, Canada. The neighborhood he was preaching in was Church-Wellesley Village. This neighborhood is known to be a place where many of the LGBTQ community in Toronto reside. His ministry is currently on an outdoor preaching tour throughout the 22 districts of Toronto. June 4, happened to be the day they scheduled for that district.

<https://www.charismanews.com/opinion/76681-pastor-arrested-for-preaching-against-homosexuality>

Lesbian Couple Stabs Nine-Year-Old Boy To Death After Forced Botched Gender Reassignment Surgery

Rhuan Maycon, 9, was stabbed to death on May 31st by his mother, Rosana da Silva Candido, 27, and lesbian partner Kacyla Damasceno Pessao, 28. after suffering for a year after a botched gender reassignment surgery.

According to Brazil's Child Protective Services, the boy had a *"kind of a sex-change surgery. After removing the penis, they sewed the mutilated region and improvised a version of a female genital organ, making a cut in the groin"*

The surgery had apparently been performed with no medical supervision after Rhuan's mother had decided to turn her son into a girl.

<https://haltturnerradioshow.com/index.php/en/news-page/world/lesbian-couple-stabs-nine-year-old-boy-to-death-after-forced-botched-gender-reassignment-surgery>

Christian School Hit with SWAT-Style Raid, CA Demands They Allow Sexual Exploration or Be Shut Down

A Christian school in California is facing a huge battle with the state.

Pacific Justice Institute (PJI) is representing River View Christian Academy in northern California. The school was raided earlier in the year, SWAT style, by the state.

According to [PJI](#), the raid was carried out by 16 armed law enforcement from California Highway Patrol, two canine units and 17 social workers. Students and staff were horrified by the sudden and unexpected attack.

The state was misled into thinking that the school was harboring illegal drugs, amassing ammunition, and preparing for doomsday.

<https://www1.cbn.com/cbnnews/us/2019/june/christian-school-hit-with-swat-style-raid-ca-demands-they-allow-sexual-exploration-or-be-shut-down>

Matthew 24:4-8 And Jesus answered them, "See that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. **See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet.** For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. **All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.**

Matthew 28:18-20 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Hebrews 13:5-6 Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "**I will never leave you nor forsake you.**" So we can confidently say, "**The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?**"

1 John 4:1-4 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, **but test the spirits to see whether they are from God**, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. **By this you know the Spirit of God:** every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. Little children, **you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.**

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The Basis for Spiritual Security (Heb. 6:13–20)

Lest anyone should misinterpret his exhortation to spiritual maturity, the writer ended this section with a tremendous argument **for the assurance of salvation.**

All of us Christians are not making the spiritual progress we should, but we need never fear that God will condemn us.

The writer **gave three arguments for the certain salvation of true believers. God's Promise; God's Oath; and God's Son!**

God's promise (vv. 13–15).

God's main promise to Abraham is recorded in Genesis 22:16–17. In spite of Abraham's failures and sins, **God kept His promise and Isaac was born.** Many of **God's promises do not depend on our character but on His faithfulness.** The phrase “patiently endured” (Heb. 6:15) is the exact opposite of “slothful” (Heb. 6:12). **The readers of this letter were about to give up; their endurance was running out (see Heb. 12:1–2). “You will obtain and enjoy what God has promised if you diligently apply yourself to the development of your spiritual life,”** is what the writer stated.

We Christians today have more of God's promises than did Abraham! What is keeping us from making spiritual progress? We do not apply ourselves by faith. To return to the illustration of the farm, the farmer does not reap a harvest by sitting on the porch looking at the seed. **He must get busy and plow, plant, weed, cultivate, and perhaps water the soil.**

The believer who neglects church fellowship, ignores his Bible, and forgets to pray is not going to reap much of a harvest.

God's oath (vv. 16–18).

God not only gave Abraham a promise, but **He also confirmed that promise with an oath**. When a witness takes an oath in court, he is confronted with the words “so help me God.” We call on the greater to witness for the lesser. None is greater than God, so He swore by Himself!

But God did not do this only for Abraham. He has also given His promise and oath to “**the heirs of promise**” (Heb. 6:17). Abraham and his descendants are the first of these heirs (see Heb. 11:9), **but all believers are included as “Abraham’s [spiritual] seed”** (Gal. 3:29).

Galatians 3:23-29 Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, **in order that we might be justified by faith.** But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, **for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.** For as many of you as were baptized into Christ **have put on Christ.** There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. **And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.**

So our assurance of salvation is guaranteed by God's promise and God's oath, "two immutable [unchangeable] things" (Heb. 6:18). We have "strong consolation" (or "great encouragement") concerning the hope set before us! **Hebrews is a book of encouragement, not discouragement!**

Hebrews 6:17-18 So when God desired to show more convincingly to the **heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose**, he guaranteed it **with an oath**, so that by two unchangeable things, in which *it is impossible for God to lie*, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us.

The phrase “fled for refuge” (Heb. 6:18) suggests the Old Testament “**cities of refuge**” described in Numbers 35:9ff and Joshua 20.

God appointed six cities, three on each side of the Jordan, into which a man could flee if he had accidentally killed someone. The elders of the city would investigate the case. If they determined that it was indeed manslaughter and not murder, they would permit the man to live in the city until the death of the high priest. Then he could return to his home. The members of the slain man’s family could not avenge themselves so long as the man remained in the city.

We have fled to Jesus Christ, and He is our eternal refuge. As our High Priest, He will never die (Heb. 7:23–25); and we have eternal salvation. No avenger can touch us, because He has already died and arisen from the dead.

Hebrews 7:23-25 The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, but **he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever.** Consequently, **he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.**

God's Son (vv. 19–20).

Our hope in Christ is like an anchor for the soul. The anchor was a popular symbol in the early church. At least sixty-six pictures of anchors have been found in the catacombs. The Greek stoic philosopher Epictetus wrote: **“One must not tie a ship to a single anchor, nor life to a single hope.”**

Christians have but one anchor—Jesus Christ our hope (Col. 1:5, 1 Tim. 1:1).

Colossians 1:3-8 We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. **Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing--as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.**

1 Timothy 1:1-2 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus **by command of God our Savior and of Christ Jesus OUR hope**, To Timothy, my true child in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

However, this spiritual anchor is different from material anchors on ships. For one thing, **we are anchored upward—to heaven**—not downward. We are anchored, not to stand still, but to move ahead! **Our anchor is “sure”—it cannot break—and “steadfast”—it cannot slip.** No earthly anchor can give that kind of security!

The writer then clinches the argument: **this Savior is our “forerunner” who has gone ahead to heaven so that we may one day follow!** (Heb. 6:20)

Hebrews 6:20 where **Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf**, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

The Old Testament high priest was not a “forerunner” because nobody could follow him into the holy of holies. **But Jesus Christ has gone to heaven so that one day we may follow.**

Dr. H.A. Ironside has suggested that the two phrases “within the veil” (Heb. 6:19) and “without the camp” (Heb. 13:13) summarize the Epistle to the Hebrews. **Jesus Christ is “within the veil” as our High Priest. We can therefore come boldly to His throne and receive all the help that we need. But we must not be “secret saints.” We must be willing to identify with Christ in His rejection and go “without the camp, bearing His reproach” (Heb. 13:13). The Hebrew believers who received this letter were tempted to compromise to avoid that reproach. However, if we live “within the veil,” we shall have no trouble going “without the camp.”**

Regardless of what approach you take to the exhortation in this section, **be sure to lay hold of the main lesson: believers must go on to maturity**, and God has made it possible for us to do so.

If we start to drift from the Word (Heb. 2:1–4), then we will also start to doubt the Word (Heb. 3:7–4:13). Before long, we will get dull toward the Word (Heb. 5:11–6:20) and become lazy believers. The best way to keep from drifting is—**to lay hold of the anchor!**

Anchored heavenward! How much more secure can you be?

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Hymn 107

