

The consolations of Christ (Quality: Average)

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- [0 : 00] St. John, chapter 14, verse 1. Let not your heart be troubled.
Ye believe in God, believe also in me. The sacred, inspired terminology of this text.
And of these chapters indicates the amazing oneness of the heart of Jesus Christ.
And all his beloved people. And consequently, we may adapt the language in the hymnal.
His tender, loving heart. And I will add, feels for them in distress.
- [1 : 14] Now it is quite obvious that the disciples were, on an unprecedented scale, troubled.
Their hearts were troubled. Troubled because they were about to lose. And the impact of
this had well permeated their spirits.
They were about to lose. Something that was very precious to them. Even the physical or
bodily presence of their beloved Savior.
Of unparalleled worth. And beauty and glory. And preciousness.
They were troubled because, and I did indicate this very briefly this morning. They
commenced to feel that when he went away, they would feel exposed.
- [2 : 37] And desolate. And deserted. Like one whose comfort's gone. They were troubled about
the unknown way.
The future. And so, we have here a compound of trouble.
And fear that was active. Very active. Turbulent. In their breast.
And so, let me suggest to you immediately. This wonderful heart. Human heart.
Of our beloved Savior. Who knew what it was. To experience pain and distress.
- [3 : 42] And sorrow. And temptation. And felt desertion. This beloved Savior.
His heart. Melted and poured out to them. A wondrous river. Of divine consolation.
And comfort and peace. To soothe them. To soothe them. To dissipate their fears. And to
graciously instruct them.
In their future. And concerning the issue. And concerning his divine will. Thereunto.
What a wonderful thing. It is for you. And for the unworthy preacher. To have a friend.
- [4 : 46] In heaven. An eternal friend. An eternal friend. A friend who feels for us. In our distress.
Who knows. What sore temptation means. For he has felt.
The same. And an unparalleled measure. Of divine compassion. Flowing from his loving
heart.
Then. I want to bring it before you. In this way. Because of his great love.
To his dear disciples. It was not his. Pleasure. That they should be so troubled. He says.
- [5 : 43] Let not your heart be troubled. And I'm going to work this out with you. You are wise. It is
certainly not the pleasure.

Of our saviour. That we should be so excessively. Troubled. That is. I'm speaking of those. Who know him.

And are in union with him. And why? Because. There's no depth to it.

You may say. But I'm troubled. And it seems deep. I know. But what I mean. Is this. There's no depth in it. In this sense.

If the Lord has. Atoned for your sins. And redeemed you. So that you are his. Love.

[6 : 41] Is. In the vessel. You have the victory. You have a father. Who cares for you. And loves you.

And has. Exhorted you. To cast all your care. Upon him. For he careth for you. And every trial. Must work for good.

So there's no. Profound depth. In this. It will issue in joy. I hope that teaching.

You may be favored. To assimilate. There's no depth. In this. Why should the people of God. Be so troubled. Why should the children.

Of a king. Of a king. Go mourning. All their days. Why should they. Why should they be so.

[7 : 41] Over anxious. And distracted. And perturbed. When Jesus holds the helm.

And guides the ship. Why should they be so. To use this. You can't. His word. Tossicated. Wicked. When their times. Are in the hands. Of the Lord. Now I'm sure you can see the point. You see with the wicked.

There's depth in trouble. There's an everlasting death. Because their sins. Have not been put away. Because of no love.

Because the Lord. Has not made atonement. For their sins. There is an eternal death. In their trouble. Not only will.

[8 : 39] There be an experience. Of trouble here. And that with a curse in it. But. It is. That which is. Really.

A taste of his wrath. And displeasure. And eternal. Frown. And indignation. Whereas with the people of God.

There's no depth in it. Because there's love in it. Because your father's hand. Prepares the cup. Sweet hymn. Sevently.

Price. Comfortable. Hope. That calms. My stormy breast. Let not your heart be troubled. Which calms.

My stormy breast. My father's hand. Prepares the cup. See my father. Let not your heart be troubled. My father's hand.

[9 : 40] Prepares the cup. And what he wills. Is best. And so. Let me just. Postulate this.

It is not the Lord's pleasure. That his people. Should be so. Constantly. Troubled. That is. With this. Hyper anxiety. And with this. I'll. Fear. And often. Craven fear too. Or a mixture of both.

It's not his pleasure. And so. He says to them. Let not your heart. Be troubled. It's a wonderful word. Isn't it? I endeavored.

To make it out. This morning. In the discourse. That there is. An eternal. Foundation. To this. Let not your heart. Be troubled. It rests. On a solid.

[10 : 38] Base. A glorious. Foundation. What? The boundless. Ineffable. Immutable. Love of God.

His grace. The covenant. Of his grace. The counsel. Of peace. And the glorious. Accomplished.

Priestly. Work of atonement. Of our great. High priest. Sin expiated. A righteousness.

Wrought. The perfection. Of his obedience. To the moral law. And sanctified. As we are. By his pure.

Body. It rests. On an eternal. Foundation. Let not your heart. Be troubled. Just this word.

[11 : 34] To you. Who are wise. You know. If you've got any sweet. Living hope. In a dear. Redeemer. That.

Your sins. Are forgiven. Then let not your heart. Be troubled. What is there to be troubled about? I know. That if you take. An entirely different view.

Of the subject. Of trouble. There is a lot. To be troubled about. But I mean. In reference. To your eternal. Standing. Let not your heart.

Be troubled. Let it not be so. Over anxious. And distracted. If the Lord. Has forgiven. Your sin. What have you really.

To be troubled about? Who shall lay anything. To the charge. Of God's elect. It is Christ. That died. Yea. Rather. That is risen again.

[12 : 29] Who is even. At the right hand. Of God. Who also. Liveth. To make intercession. For us. Who shall lay anything. To the charge. Of God's elect. See.

And then he goes on. In that masterful. Chapter. You know. What shall separate us. Who shall separate us. From the love of Christ. So. Is there anything.

Can separate you. From the love of Christ. Nothing. And I'm so glad. That we have those. Little. Sections.

There. Things present. Nor things to come. But look. Things present. Nor things to come. Nothing can separate us. From the love of God.

Which is in Christ Jesus. Our Lord. So. Let not your heart. Be troubled. If this could be severed.

[13 : 25] If you could be severed. From him. Then. You'd have reason. To be troubled. That nothing can ever sever you. From him. So. Let not your heart.

Be troubled. This word. Let not your heart. Be troubled. Does not mean. That you can slide. Into an unexercised.

Place. Not exercised. Or concerned. About anything. It doesn't mean that at all. But it does.

Mean. To remove. From you. That which is so painful. And grievous. And distressing. And distracting. Let not your heart.

Be troubled. Really. If you come to look at it. You will see in the deduction. That if we have union. With the Lord Jesus. That our whole life.

[14 : 24] Should display. His glory. And his character. And it certainly. Does not display. His glory. If we profess.

To be. The children of God. And have. Good. And blessed. Proof of it. And then we live. In a condition. Of hyper anxiety.

I mean. After all. Whether it's in the office. Or the shop. Or the hospital. Or the farm. Or whatever it is. If there are those.

Who well know. Your profession. Of the name. Of the Lord Jesus. And you're in this. State of tension. All the time. They might say to you. One day.

But I thought. You believed in God. I thought. You believed in the Lord Jesus. I thought. That you were a praying man. And yet.

- [15 : 20] You're the most nervous. And distracted. Of all. Well. It wouldn't bring any glory. To God. Would it? Now. He says. Let not your heart.
- Be troubled. What a kind. Compassionate. Loving God. He is. To look down.
- Upon a company. Of poor sinners. Who well know. They deserve hell. And yet. Through grace. They've been called. And blessed. And he says to them.
- Let not your heart. Be troubled. And if you said to me. Well. What is the scope of it? I gave you that. This morning. It is plenary.
- It covers everything. Life. And time. And death. Everything. That ever concerns you. Let not your heart.
- [16 : 11] Be troubled. There is a demonstration. Somewhat of this. In the case of Mary. And Martha. Poor Martha.
- Was. Left to serve alone. Mary was so drawn. To the Lord Jesus. And so. Completely. Subconscious.
- I suppose. In relation. To everything. On this earth. And. Martha. Was angry. She was very. Disturbed.
- By all this. The best word. To use. I think. Concerning Mary. Is. That. The love of Christ. Had incapacitated her.
- For mundane. Things. She couldn't. Concentrate. On the pots. And pans. And what not. Although. Obviously. Martha.
- [17 : 08] Wished. To serve. The best meal. She possibly. Could. To the. Savior. Dear Martha. Dear Mary. But there she was.
- She was in such a state. I suppose. You get into a state. Sometimes. And. The Lord. Dealt with it.
- In a very wonderful way. He said to her. Martha. No doubt. That did it. Without anything else. Martha.
- Martha. Martha. Are careful. And troubled. About many things. Careful. That means. Over anxious.
- Over anxious. And troubled. Means distracted. When the mind. Gets to such a degree. Into such a state.
- [18 : 03] And it is such a degree. Of distraction. That. It is. You just feel. That. Perhaps. Your mind. Will lose. Its equilibrium.
- And become unbalanced. Distracted. He said. They are careful. And troubled. About many things. But you know.
- These things. Are not profitable. They are not salvation. Are they? But he said. One thing. Is needful. And Mary.
- Hath chosen. That good part. Which shall not be taken away. From her. See how the Lord. Is speaking to us. So.
- Let not your heart. Be. Brubbled. It's a good word. Isn't it? It's a word. It's a word. Calculated.
- [18 : 59] With all the. Influence. Divine. Of the spirit. And the power. Of God. To completely. Deliver. Your soul. If the Lord.
- Says that. To you today. With his. Sovereign. Almighty. Efficacious. Power. It will mean.
- You'll be. Absolutely. Delivered. From what you're in. All you're in. All your fears. All your trouble. And not only so.

It will be. It will be a wonderful word. To the end. Of your days. It's not only for. February. 1981. It is for.

Your days. To the end. Let not your heart. Be troubled. You. And then. I believe. That we plainly. See. In the second.

[19 : 56] Clause. The foundation. For this. And. The method. Divine. In it. As to how. We are. To enjoy it. What is it? Really. This word. In the second. Clause. Is a word. For faith. And. I. Believe. We shall. Be able. To show you. The. Interpretation. Of the. Sigh. He says. To them.

You believe. In God. All those. Who are born. Again. Believe. In God. When the Lord. Deepened his work. In my soul.

As a child. I believed. In God. And I. I believed. In that great. And terrible. God. I believed.

[20 : 48] In him. As a just. And holy. And righteous. God. Sin. Hating. And sin. Condemning. And sin. Punishing. And I didn't see. Then. Sin.

Forgiving. That I believed. In God. I believed. In his justice. In holiness. In majesty. In omniscience. In omniscience.

I believed. In it. In his justice. I believed. In God. Do you believe. In God? I'm sure you do. Well no. There's no comfort.

There. You believe. In God. That is. There's no comfort. Until you believe. In his son. Not at all.

There's terror. The holy. Just. And sacred. Three. Were terrors. To my mind. You follow that? He says.

[21 : 42] You believe. In God. But look. The exercise. For faith. Is this. To believe. Also. In me. That is. To believe.

In. And see. God. In Christ. Christ. And. In the hymnal. That beautiful verse.

Is expository. But if Emmanuel's face appear. My hope. My joy begin.

His name forbids. Say. His name. Forbids my slavish fear. His grace. Forgives my sin.

Now that's the meaning of this word. Believe also in me. Beg of the Lord. That you may have. A far greater exercise. And activity of holy faith.

[22 : 40] To see. God in Christ. And to see him. Reconciled. Or his divine justice. Propitiated.

By the. The sacrifice of Christ. And then you'll see. You'll see this. Great God. And there's a wonderful thing.

To express about this. Whereas. The first knowledge of God. That you have. Of this just and holy.

And righteous God. And. Seeing him. At Sinai. You see. You see. There's no mercy there.

Manifested. Is there. But. The point is this. When you first. See him. And feel him. You know. There's that in you. That would run away from him. If you could.

[23 : 37] You run away. Only. You can't. You can't. You go to the uttermost parts. Or ascend into the heights. Or into the depths. Or make your bed in hell.

He is there. You can't run away from him. No. You believe in God. Believe also in me. When you believe in Jesus Christ.

And see God in Christ. I ascend unto my father. And your father. And to my God. And your God.

You know what happens. Instead of having the feeling. Of running away from God. Because you're so afraid. So terrified. You'll run to him.

- Could you give a testimony on it? Believe in God. Believe also in me. You see the father.
- [24 : 35] Reconcile. See his reconciled countenance in me. Oh then you'll run to him. Oh what a father he is.
- Oh the delight that he has in these children. And so. Christ's father is your father. His God is your God.
- You won't run away from him. You'll run to him. He is expressively sweet. So. Let not your heart be troubled.
- Neither let it be afraid. I'm quoting now from the further verse. Let not your heart be troubled. You believe in God.
- Believe also in me. This. Let not your heart be troubled. You see. It's not a matter of a soul being unconcerned.
- [25 : 36] You'll be deeply concerned. But it does mean this. Don't be distracted. And don't be over anxious about the issue.
- The issue will be wonderful. And we were reading about that. In our lesson this afternoon. No. No. Christ said. The world shall rejoice.
- That ye shall be sorrowful. And they were.
- And so will you. In sympathy. But he said. Your sorrow. Shall be turned into joy.
- And that's a remarkable. Word. He doesn't say. Your sorrow. Will be succeeded. By joy.
- [26 : 52] He says. Your sorrow. Shall be turned into joy. The only word. To express that is. That your sorrow. Shall be transmuted.
- It shall be changed. The very occasion. Of your sorrow. Will become the occasion. Of your joy. The occasion. Of their sorrow.
- Was the agony. And passion. Of Christ. How that he was delivered up. To be crucified. And so on. This became the occasion. Of their joy.
- They saw him. Risen. Not rise. But risen. And he said to them. In his. Loving. Reproof.
- Ought not Christ. To have suffered. These things. And enter into his glory. Let not your heart. Be troubled. My friends.
- [27 : 48] It's the issue. Of the thing. And our own apostle. Gives us. A classical word. In this. For we know.
- Not think. For we know. That all things. Work together. For God. To them.
- That love God. To them. Who are the called. According to his. Purpose. What a word. I suppose.
- When he was shut up. In that. Inner prison. With silence. The pairs of darkness. Rejoiced. It seemed.
- In the. In the. Dark world. Of demons. That he was a great victory. For the powers of darkness.
- [28 : 47] Was it? Was it? The devil's outwitted. Every time. He was no great victory.
- For the powers of darkness. Was it? Presently. At midnight. They prayed. And sang praises to God.
- Look. This word was fulfilled. Let not your heart be troubled. There they were. They must have been. In a lot of physical pain. After the scourging.
- And feet fast. In the stocks. At midnight. They must have been. Physically. In a very poor state. That they were singing. And the singing.

Was so melodious. And so powerful. The prisoners heard them. Then the earthquake.
Then the conversion.

[29 : 44] Of the jailer. In his household. Let not your heart. Be troubled. Child of God. Go from this service.

May the Lord favor you. With the divine principle. Of this. In your soul. Blessed be God.
Let me close.

Our worship here today. With hymn. Three hundred and forty two. Christ is mine. And I am his. Center.

Source. And some bliss. Earth and hell. In vain combined. Me and Jesus. To disjoin. Thou my fortress art.

And tower. Having thee. I want no more. Strong in thy full strength. I stand. None can pluck me. From thy hand.

[30 : 39] ■■■. Nice.

Thanks. Back to your head. Dutch puzzle. Examples.

Kendall. Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[32 : 34] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

We commend for the inaffection this dear flock. We thank you for the blessed memory of their late dear under-shepherd and his beloved wife.

We pray that thou wilt bless their family and the deacons here and the friends, members of the church and congregation.

[34 : 34] The dear children and the sons of the children, pray now that we may have the Son of Righteousness irradiating our ransomed souls.

We may feel that we may feel our troubles promote.

We pray for thy goodness in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all. Amen.