

Christ's Exaltation Is The Believer's Comfort

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: (Philippians 2:9)

How sweetly does every believer remember our Lord's life in the flesh. How happy we are that He has obtained the righteousness of God by His faithfulness and obedience to God as our representative. How precious are our thoughts of His blood offering by which He has purged our sins and satisfied the justice of God on our behalf. (Romans 3:22; Hebrews 1:3)

But remember, believer, that this same Jesus who was sent of God to accomplish our salvation He has raised up for our justification. Hold fast this truth of our text that God has exalted our Savior and set Him over all things in time and eternity. Our Lord Jesus was surely crucified and He truly died on the tree as He bore our sins in His own body. But our hope of His victory and accomplishment of salvation is that God has raised Him from the dead, and now He lives at the right hand of God to make intercession for us. (Romans 4:25; Acts 2:32-36)

This same Jesus who said "I lay down my life for the sheep" also said, "I have power to lay it down and I have power to raise it up." (John 10:16) Therefore, believer, fear not for thy redeemer liveth and to Him is given all power in heaven and earth. (Job 19:25; Matthew 28:18) He not only holds us in His strong arms from which none can pluck us out, but he also in sovereign power ordains and controls all those circumstances and foes who seem to be against us. (John 10:27-30; Romans 8:31) Therefore in truth all things are for you, believer. All things are working together for your good and for an expected end, which is eternal life and eternal joy in the presence of Christ our Savior and, our Risen Lord. (1 Corinthians 3:21-22; Romans 8:28)

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