

Notes:

Sermon Text

Subject

Spiritual “To Do List”
(things God has shown me today)

Service Music

Pre-Service- JESUS I COME - G. Stebbins (1846-1945)

Special Music- Let Me Touch Him - Vep Ellis

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God’s Three Delights

God tells us three things that give Him delight: “I am the Lord who is just and righteous, whose love is unfailing, and...I delight in these things. I, the Lord, have spoken!” (Jeremiah 9:23-24 NTL).

Although God has inexhaustible wisdom, strength, and riches—the very things we are apt to boast in and admire in others—these are not His special delight. Instead, He finds great pleasure in His own justice, righteousness, and unfailing love.

We’re thankful for God’s “justice” when wrong seems to prevail. Over 100 years ago, Maltbie Babcock wrote,

“This is my Father’s world.
O let me ne’er forget
That tho’ the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.”

In the end, we will see that every righteous deed was rewarded and every wrong punished. God delights in this knowledge.

“Righteousness,” sometimes translated as integrity, tells us God has pleasure in what is right. We can trust God to answer our prayers, not because of our own righteousness, but solely on the character of God, on His faithfulness to do right. It His righteousness that causes Him to keep His promises.

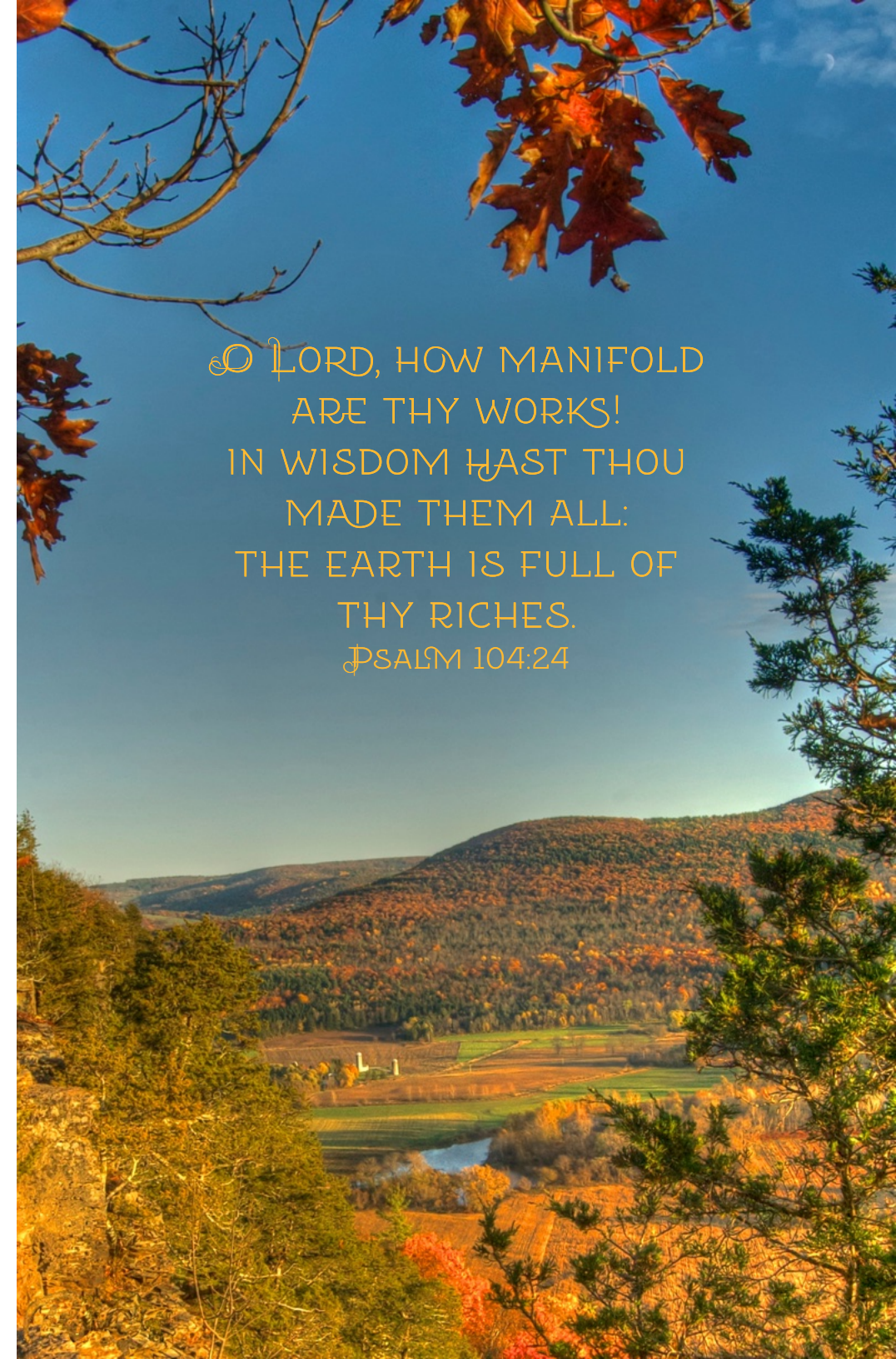
His “unfailing love” assures us God has made us the object of His love and delight. Providing for His people is His priority. Now and always—not just ten years from now, but this moment—God is acting out of love for us and for those for whom we pray.

Dear Lord, I want to delight in that in which You delight—Your justice, righteousness, and unfailing love.

“Give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures forever” (II Chronicles 20:21).

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O LORD, HOW MANIFOLD
ARE THY WORKS!
IN WISDOM HAST THOU
MADE THEM ALL:
THE EARTH IS FULL OF
THY RICHES.
PSALM 104:24

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Does Jesus Care?

Frank E. Graeff, 1860-1919

J. Lincoln Hall, 1866-1930

1. Does Je - sus care when my heart is pained Too deep - ly for
 2. Does Je - sus care when my way is dark With a name - less
 3. Does Je - sus care when I've tried and failed To re - sist some temp -
 4. Does Je - sus care when I've said, "Good-by," To the dear - est on

mirth and song, As the bur - dens press, and the cares dis - tress, And the
 dread and fear? As the day - light fades in - to deep night shades, Does He
 ta - tion strong; When for my deep grief I find no re - lief, Tho' my
 earth to me, And my sad heart aches till it near - ly breaks? Is it

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way grows wea - ry and long?
 care e - nough to be near? Oh, yes, He cares; I know He cares. His
 tears flow all the night long?
 ought to Him? Does He see?

heart is touched with my grief. When the days are wea - ry, the

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long nights drea - ry, I know my Sav - iour cares. He cares.

Our Great Saviour

HYFRYDOL

Rowland W. Pritchard, 1811-1887

Arr. by Robert Harkness, 1877-1961

J. Wilbur Chapman, 1859-1918

1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! Lov - er of my soul!
 2. Je - sus! what a Strength in weak - ness! Let me hide my - self in Him;
 3. Je - sus! what a Help in sor - row! While the bil - lows o'er me roll,
 4. Je - sus! what a Guide and Keep - er! While the tem - pest still is high,
 5. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive Him; More than all in Him I find.

Friends may fail me, foes as - sail me; He, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.
 Tempt - ed, tried, and some - times fail - ing, He, my Strength, my vic - t'ry wins.
 E - ven when my heart is break - ing, He, my Com - fort, helps my soul.
 Storms a - bout me, night o'er - takes me, He, my Pi - lot, hears my cry.
 He hath grant - ed me for - give - ness; I am His, and He is mine.

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Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend!

Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, He is with me to the end.