

“WORD OF LIFE”

January 28, 2024

42. CHRIST IN HIS PERSON (22) –

In the Fulfillment of the Types and Figures of the Old Testament

O 10. **Joseph**—the Father’s **Beloved**

Hymns: # 204 / # 203 / # 50

✚ “In my heart I have treasured up Your word...” (Psa. 119:11)

[Type/Figure]

Gen. 37:3 - Now Israel **loved Joseph** more than all his sons because he was the **son** of his old age, and he had made him a coat of many colors.

[Fulfillment]

Matt. 3:17 - And behold, a voice out of the heavens, saying, This is **My Son, the Beloved**, in whom I have found **My delight**.

✚ “...For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of Jehovah, ...” (Isa. 11:9)

❖ Joseph was a type of Christ as the Father’s Beloved.

- In the Old Testament, **Joseph** is the **perfect one**, he was a type of Christ, *“Israel (Jacob) **loved Joseph** more than all his sons”*
 - in being a shepherd,
 - in being sent by the father to minister to his brothers according to the father’s will,
 - in being hated by his brothers and betrayed by them,
 - in being delivered into the prison of death,
 - in being with two criminals, one of whom was **saved** and the other of whom perished.
 - In being the distributor, of the rich food of Pharaoh.
- In the New Testament, **Jesus** is the **perfect One**, He is perfect, without defect, the **real Joseph**. *“Behold, a voice out of the heavens, saying, This is **My beloved Son**, in whom I delight.”*
 - as the **beloved Son** in whom the Father found His delight.
 - as the good **Shepherd** who laid down His life for us
 - as the **One sent** by the living Father, to give life to whom He wills
 - as the **One betrayed** and put to death for our redemption
 - as the **One crucified** with two criminals, one of whom with Him in **paradise**
 - as the **Bread of Life** who came down out of heaven and gave life to the world.

✚ “And having gift that differ..., let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;” (Rom. 12:6)

✚ “This is **My beloved Son**, in whom I delight,” the Father’s speaking was a testimony to Him as the **beloved Son** in whom the Father have found His delight.

✚ As one who distributed food to the people, he was a good steward carrying out a stewardship. Christ is the **real Joseph**. He is the **real Dispenser** of the rich food of our God. He gave Himself as the **real food**; he who eats Him shall also live because of Him.

Hymn 204

- 1 Gathered in Thy name,
 Lord Jesus,
Losing sight of all but Thee,
O what joy Thy presence gives us,
Calling up our hearts to Thee!
- 2 Loved with love
 which knows no measure,
Save the **Father's love to Thee**,
Blessed **Lord**,
 our hearts would treasure
All the **Father's thoughts of Thee**.
- 3 All His joy,
 His rest, His pleasure—
All His deep delight in Thee—
Lord, Thy heart alone can measure
What Thy Father found in Thee.
- 4 How He set His love upon Thee—
Called Thee His **beloved Son**;
Yet for us He did not spare Thee,
By Thy death our life was won.
- 5 O the joy, the wondrous singing,
When we see Thee as Thou art!
Thy blest name,
 Lord Jesus, bringing
Sweetest music to **God's** heart.
- 6 Notes of gladness, songs unceasing,
Hymns of everlasting praise,
Psalms of glory, joy increasing,
Through **God's** endless day
 of days.

Hymn 203

- 1 In the bosom of the **Father**,
Ere the ages had begun,
Thou wast in the **Father's** glory,
God's unique **begotten Son**.
When to us the **Father** gave Thee,
Thou in person wast the same,
All the fulness of the **Father**
In the **Spirit** to proclaim.
- 2 By Thy death and resurrection,
Thou wast made
 God's **firstborn Son**;
By Thy life to us imparting,
Was Thy duplication done.
We, in Thee regenerated,
Many **sons to God** became;
Truly as Thy many brethren,
We are as **Thyself the same**.
- 3 Once Thou wast
 the **only grain**, **Lord**,
Falling to the earth to die,
That thru death and resurrection
Thou in life may multiply.
We were brought forth
 in Thy nature
And the **many grains** became;
As **one loaf** we all are blended,
All Thy fulness to proclaim.
- 4 We're Thy total reproduction,
Thy dear **Body** and Thy **Bride**,
Thine expression and Thy fulness,
For Thee ever to abide.
We are Thy continuation,
Thy life-increase and Thy spread,
Thy full growth and
 Thy rich surplus,
One with Thee, our glorious Head.

Hymn 50

- 1 **Father**, Thy **Son beloved**
 leads our praise
After the banquet feast
 is had and done;
How dear, how sweet
 to Thee the praise He leads,
And in His praises
 joining **we are one**.
- 2 **Father**, we need
 no goodness more than Thee,
Nor do we seek
 a love that's less than Thine;
How we adore Thee
 now that here we know
Thy searchless,
 uncreated life divine.
- 3 **Father**, within Thy love
 our love to Thee
Grows, far transcending
 all our earthly ties;
Thine own dear love
 in power leads our hearts
Where Thine own presence
 deeply satisfies.
- 4 **Father**, by joining
 with Thy **Son beloved**,
We all with gladness
 praise Thee now again;
Joyfully feasting on Thy holy love,
Tasting, **as sons**,
 the sweetness of Thy name.

God's complete salvation

God's **complete salvation**
Is **based** upon His righteousness
 and **through** our faith.

By the **two divine transfers**:
 Out of **Adam** into **Christ**
 And out of the **flesh** into the **Spirit**.

In the **one spiritual union**
 of the **Spirit of Life** with our **spirit**
 Forming a **mingled spirit**.

For us to reign in life
 by the **abundance of grace**
 and of the **gift of righteousness**.

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