

“For Mordecai the Jew was next unto king Ahasuerus, and great among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the wealth of his people, and speaking peace to all his seed.” Esther 10:3 KJV

Only Sovereign power affords peace. Jesus Christ is the Sovereign of eternity! *“Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen.”* Jesus Christ is “next unto [the] king,” because He IS the KING! *“And He hath*



on His vesture and on His thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.” Jesus “seeks the wealth of His people” at His own expense. *“For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich. No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.”* His Word speaks peace to His own. *“Great peace have they which love Thy Law and nothing shall offend them. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace. The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”* Jesus is a kinsman to all His own. *“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose. For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.”* Now, go back and read from the beginning, but this time more deliberately and pensive. Let each Word of the Scripture quoted (*italicized*) weigh in on your consciousness and speak directly to your soul! God’s Word is so perfectly succinct that each Word produces hours of meditation! One phrase in one verse inspires whole series of sermons. There are entire libraries of nothing but men’s volumes of commentary on God’s Words! His Word provokes both undying love and venomous hatred! His children adore Him and His enemies despise Him! If God’s Word is revolting to you, you are His enemy! If His Word exhort, corrects, and consoles you, you are His child! It is not something to guess at or hope for, it is plainly obvious!

His brethren long to follow Home,
The Lord they know and call their own,
For in His presence lies in store,
Love and Life forevermore! ~CGP

If you are God's child, you will KNOW it to be so! For many years I thought I was born again, saved, a child of God, but I didn't KNOW it to be true. It's like knowing your own face in a picture; there's no guesswork involved; it is just KNOWN! If you're still hoping and guessing, you don't KNOW. When God speaks to you, it isn't audible, it is simply KNOWN! It is His Word in your thoughts and soul! If you don't read and study His Written Word, you will never KNOW His Voice, He will never be your Father, and you will die His enemy!

“By this we KNOW that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments: and His commandments are not grievous. For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may KNOW that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.” 1 John 5:2-4, 13 KJV

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