

What a wonderful change

- 1 What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought
Since Jesus came into my heart!
I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

Chorus: Since Jesus came into my heart!
Since Jesus came into my heart!
Floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

- 2 I have ceased from my wand'ring and going astray,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And my sins which were many are all washed away,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
- 3 I'm possessed of a hope that is steadfast and sure,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And no dark clouds of doubt now my pathway obscure,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
- 4 There's a light in the valley of death now for me,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And the gates of the City beyond I can see,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
- 5 I shall go there to dwell in that City I know,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And I'm happy, so happy as onward I go,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

Christ liveth in me

- 1 Once far from God and dead in sin, No light my heart could see;
But in God's Word the light I found, Now Christ liveth in me.

Chorus: Christ liveth in me, Christ liveth in me;
Oh! what a salvation this, That Christ liveth in me.

- 2 As rays of light from yonder sun, The flow'rs of earth set free,
So life and light and love come forth From Christ living in me.
- 3 As lives the flow'r within the seed, As in the cone the tree,
So, praise the Christ of truth and grace, His Spirit dwelleth in me.
- 4 With longing all my heart is filled, That like Him I may be,
As on the wondrous thought I dwell That Christ liveth in me.

*The
Hope
of
The
Gospel*

Scripture Reading:

- Eph. 2:12 "...you were at that time apart from Christ...
having no hope and without God in the world"
Eph. 1:18 "that you may know what is **the hope of His calling**"
Titus 1:2 "...**the hope of eternal life**..."
Col. 1:23 "...**the hope of the gospel**, which you heard, which
was proclaimed..."
1 Tim. 1:1 "...Christ Jesus **our hope**"
Col. 1:27 "...Christ in you, **the hope of glory**"

Outlines:

I. As fallen sinners, before we were saved, we were apart from Christ, without God, and had no hope in the world—Eph. 2:12:

- A. The redeeming blood of Christ brought us back to God—Eph. 2:13; 1:7; Col. 1:20.
B. By believing into Christ we now have the God of hope and can abound in hope—Rom. 15:13.

II. God's calling has a hope, and we can know what it is—Eph. 1:18; 4:4:

- A. The believers have been saved and called with a holy calling—Eph. 4:1; 2 Tim. 1:9.
B. The hope of their calling is Christ, the eternal life, and to be glorified when Christ comes back—Col. 1:25; Titus 3:7; 2 Thes. 1:10.

III. As God's chosen ones, the believers in Christ have the hope of eternal life—Titus 1:2; 3:7:

- A. This eternal life was brought to them through the gospel—2 Tim. 1:10.
B. Eternal life, which is Christ and in Christ, is for them to enjoy

and live by today and to inherit in the coming age—1 John 5:11, 13; Matt. 19:16, 29.

- C. They have been regenerated unto a living hope, a hope of life, with all the full, spiritual, heavenly, and endless divine blessings of eternal life—1 Pet. 1:3.

IV. The hope of the gospel is Christ Jesus Himself—1 Tim. 1:1:

- A. Our hope is Christ who gave us eternal life and who brings us into the blessing, enjoyment, and glory of this life—John 10:28; 17:2.
B. Christ in us is the hope of glory—Col. 1:25:
1. This indwelling Christ is the kernel of the gospel—Rom. 8:10; Gal. 2:20.
2. This is Christ who lives in the spirit of the believers as the life-giving Spirit to be their life and person—John 14:17, 20; 2 Tim. 4:22.
3. This Christ will saturate His believers' entire being with the glory of His life and will return to glorify them—Phil. 3:21; Rom. 8:30.
C. The appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ in glory is the blessed hope to enjoy the freedom of the glory of the children of God—Titus 2:13; Rom. 8:21.

V. This hope is good and is laid up for us in the heavens—2 Thes. 2:16; Col. 1:5; 1 Pet. 1:4.

The Hope of Glory

Myst'ry hid from ages now revealed to me,
'Tis the Christ of God's reality.
He embodies God, and He is life to me,
And the glory of my hope He'll be.

Chorus: Glory, glory, Christ is life in me!
Glory, glory, what a hope is He!
Now within my spirit He's the mystery!
Then the glory He will be to me.