

Devotional Thoughts :: ARE YOU EVER DISTURBED? by Oswald Chambers**ARE YOU EVER DISTURBED? by Oswald Chambers - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2010/8/26 8:37**

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you." John 14:27

There are times when our peace is based upon ignorance, but when we awaken to the facts of life, inner peace is impossible unless it is received from Jesus. When Our Lord speaks peace, He makes peace, His words are ever "spirit and life." Have I ever received what Jesus speaks? "My peace I give unto you" - it is a peace which comes from looking into His face and realizing His undisturbedness.

Are you painfully disturbed just now, distracted by the waves and billows of God's providential permission, and having, as it were, turned over the boulders of your belief, are you still finding no well of peace or joy or comfort; is all barren? Then look up and receive the undisturbedness of the Lord Jesus. Reflected peace is the proof that you are right with God because you are at liberty to turn your mind to Him. If you are not right with God, you can never turn your mind anywhere but on yourself. If you allow anything to hide the face of Jesus Christ from you, you are either disturbed or you have a false security.

Are you looking unto Jesus now, in the immediate matter that is pressing and receiving from Him peace? If so, He will be a gracious benediction of peace in and through you. But if you try to worry it out, you obliterate Him and deserve all you get. We get disturbed because we have not been considering Him. When one confers with Jesus Christ the perplexity goes, because He has no perplexity, and our only concern is to abide in Him. Lay it all out before Him, and in the face of difficulty, bereavement and sorrow, hear Him say, "Let not your heart be troubled."

Re: ARE YOU EVER DISTURBED? by Oswald Chambers - posted by buttermilk80 (), on: 2010/8/27 9:17

I was "disturbed" from the moment of my birth. The slap on my bottom should have warned me of what was to come. I want to be disturbed. When I feel at ease, I should be sincerely concerned. I have come to crave that feeling of unease. With that unease comes a subjection of my sinful nature through the power of Christ. We must always remember, while in this body, that we are mortally wounded by sin. It is in this remembrance that we seek life with a proper vengeance. It is the gaping wound that leads us to the doctor. I find peace in such a wound.

Thank you for the post. It does clarify the mind to renew that vengeance of crying out to the Lord for salvation. May all our tears be shed for the sake of the peace of God. And may we not desire the peace of man. It is specifically for the Glory of the One who made us that we are called. For that reason, may my own hands rend the wound deeper that I might consider the Healer of souls.