

Simple Gifts September 30

Hymn 140 Great is Thy Faithfulness

One of the very best Simple Gifts God has given me is a love of music and singing. With that love, comes a pathway for learning scripture, for expressing joy and sorrow, and for serving God. Please take note when we sing our hymns, how many are based in scripture. (Listed at the bottom of the hymn after the anthems Words: and the author.) The words of many of our hymns are also based on scripture.



Several weeks ago, we sang Hymn 140 “Great is Thy Faithfulness” in our worship service. I’ve sung this many times but that time; the last verse really touched me. It is based on Lamentations 3:22-23. The third verse is

“Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!”

How simple it is to give thanks back to Him for all He has provided:

PRAYER: Thank you, Lord, for all the blessings given to me. I can scarcely take it in that you love me so much. I give you but your own; what e’re the gifts may be. All that I have is thine alone; a trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen.

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