



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

NINILCHIK

JUNE 26th, 2022

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING



1 Chronicles 20:1-8

In 1989, our dear shepherd at that time, Pastor Ron Blough, initiated our reading through a portion of the 66 books of the Bible as a congregation, typically a chapter each Sunday. Since then, we have been through the entire Bible one full time and are currently in First Chronicles, the 13th book of the Bible.



TODAY'S SERVICE



1. Hymn #79 - "To God Be the Glory"
 2. Opening Prayer & Announcements
 3. Hymn #123 - "Grace Is Flowing"
 4. Hymn #533 - "O God, My Joy"
 5. Hymn #527 - "The Haven of Rest"
 6. Reading: **Brother Mike Sutton**
 7. **Message:** "A Crown of Righteousness"
 8. Hymn #122 - "Grace Greater than Our Sin"
 9. Benediction
 10. Sunday Evening Bible Study - 6 p.m.
Holy War #45; John 20:24-29
- 
- 

A CROWN of RIGHTEOUSNESS

And David took the crown of their king from his head. He found that it weighed a talent of gold, and in it was a precious stone. And it was placed on David's head. And he brought out the spoil of the city, a very great amount. **1 CHRONICLES 20:2, ESV**

I. BACKGROUND OF OUR CHAPTER

- 1. The Word to David from the Lord**, 1 Chr 17
- 2. The Warfare of David in the Lord**, 1 Chr 18
- 3. The Wickedness Against David**, 1 Chr 19
- 4. The Wars' Rewards & Repetition**, 1 Chr 20
 - a. rewards: crowns & victories, **vv1-3**
 - b. repetition: conquerors of giants, **v4-8**

II. BEAUTIFUL PICTURES IN OUR TEXT

You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about Me, **JOHN 5:39, ESV**

- 1. Explanation, Exaltation, & Application from Types**
- 2. Exaltation of Christ**
 - a. expressions of God's sovereign grace
 - b. essence of Christ's gospel love
 - c. excellence of Christ's glorious reign

II. BLESSINGS & APPLICATION FROM OUR TEXT

Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved His appearing. **2 TIMOTHY 4:8, ESV**

- 1. The Good Soldier's Dress & Defense**
 - a. Ephesians 6:10-20
- 2. The Good Soldier's Discipline & Duty**
 - a. 2 Timothy 2:1-13; 1 Chronicles 20:4-8
- 3. The Good Soldier's Destination & Discernment**
 - a. 2 Timothy 4:8b; 2 Corinthians 4:7-18
- 4. The Good Soldier's Devotion & Delight**
 - a. 2 Timothy 4:8a; Revelation 4:8-11

QUOTE of the WEEK

With some a Christian is a spiritual gourmand. He attends upon the ministry of the word for no purpose but to be fed; he strongly denounces every sermon that is aimed at the conversion of sinners, for he looks even upon the Bible itself as a book solely intended to yield him personal consolation. The more any doctrinal teaching promises him a monopoly of good things, and the more it excludes others, the better he enjoys it, it being to him a particular part of the sweetness of the feast to believe that but a very slender company may dare to partake of it. For him to live is to enjoy and not to serve. To gratify his selfishness he would blot out the free invitations of the gospel. He is not a hearer only, but certainly he is not also a doer, he is a hearer and a feeder, in a certain coarse sense, upon the word of God, and nothing more. That is not Paul's ideal of a Christian. He does not picture him with his napkin in his hand, sitting at a banquet, but rather with a sword girt upon his thigh, ready for the conflict....

The Christian is a self-sacrificing man as the soldier must be....

A soldier is a serving man....

The soldier is full often a suffering man....

Once again, the true soldier is an ambitious being. He pants for honour, seeks for glory. On the field of strife he gathers his laurels, and amidst a thousand dangers he reaps renown. The Christian is fired by higher ambitions than earthly warrior ever knew. He sees a crown that can never fade; he loves a King who best of all is worthy to be served; he has a motive within him which moves him to the noblest deeds, a divine spirit impelling him to the most self-sacrificing actions. Thus you see the Christian is a soldier, and it is one of the main things in Christian life, to contend earnestly for the faith, and to fight valorously against sin.

Paul does not exhort Timothy to be a common, or ordinary soldier, but to be a “*good* soldier of Jesus Christ;” for all soldiers, and all true soldiers, may not be *good* soldiers. There are men who are but just soldiers and nothing more; they only need sufficient temptation and they readily become cowardly, idle, useless and worthless; but he is the good soldier who is bravest of the brave, courageous at all times, who is zealous, does his duty with heart and earnestness. He is the good soldier of Jesus Christ who, through grace, aims to make himself as able to serve his Lord as shall be possible, who tries to grow in grace and to be perfected in every good word and work, that he may be in his Master's battles fit for the roughest and sternest service, and ready to bear the very brunt of the fray. [*emphasis in original*]

“A Good Soldier of Jesus Christ” from the text, 2 Timothy 2:2-3
a sermon delivered on June 26th, 1870 by Charles Haddon Spurgeon
Metropolitan Tabernacle Pulpit, Volume 16, Sermon No. 938

This Week's Bible Portions from *Robert Murray McCheyne's "Daily Bread"*

JUNE / JULY 2022

FAMILY READINGS			PRIVATE READINGS	
Deut. 31	119:97-120	26	Isaiah 58	Matthew 6
Deut. 32	119:121-144	27	Isaiah 59	Matthew 7
Deut. 33-34	119:145-176	28	Isaiah 60	Matthew 8
Joshua 1	Ps. 120-122	29	Isaiah 61	Matthew 9
Joshua 2	Ps. 123-125	30	Isaiah 62	Matthew 10
Joshua 3	Ps. 126-128	1	Isaiah 63	Matthew 11
Joshua 4	Ps. 129-131	2	Isaiah 64	Matthew 12
Joshua 5-6:5	Ps. 132-134	3	Isaiah 65	Matthew 13

visit our website

www.calvarybaptistnihilchik.com

listen to this devotional online

www.sermonaudio.com/abcnihilchik

subscribe to free daily email devotionals

www.calvarybaptistnihilchik.com/devotionals.html