

Rohan Press:

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Welcome to the Appleton Chapel here in our Memorial Church for our daily service of morning prayers. Our speaker this morning is Dr. Les Moore, Director of the Center for Special Medicine in Pittsburgh, New York, and the senior pastor at the Wellspring Church in Clifton Springs, New York. I invite you please to rise to join in the recitation of our responsorial psalm, which is Psalm number 88 in your black Psalter.

"O Lord, God of my deliverance, when I cry out in the night before you,

Congregation:

Let my prayer reach you, incline your ears to my cry.

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For I am sated with misfortune. I am at the brink of Sheol.

Congregation:

I am numbered with those who go down to the pit. I am a helpless man.

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Abandoned among the dead like bodies lying in the grave,

Congregation:

Of whom you are mindful no more and who are cut off from your care.

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You have put me at the bottom of the pit in the darkest places, in the depths.

Congregation:

Your fury lies heavy upon me. You erecting water barrier.

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You make my companions shun me. You make me abhorrent to them. I am shut in and do not go out.

Congregation:

My eyes find a way from affliction. I call to you, O Lord, each day. I stretch out my hands unto you."

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You may be seated.

Les Moore:

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Les Moore:

What a joyful day. We rejoice that he decided to tabernacle with us. I have been reflecting upon light the last few years for both health and healing, but also since if God is light, I want to seek him. So I'll be reading from 2nd Corinthians 4. "Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly, we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of the darkness,' made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. Therefore, we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. Since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."

So light enters in through the lateral retina and goes into the pineal gland that spins it into a vortex and changes it from photons, which are light cells, to phonons, which can travel through solid and liquid. It then is spun into a vortex and put into our cerebral spinal fluid and then goes out throughout our body. When the sperm hits the egg, light is emitted and the [inaudible 00:09:43] ducts start to form. The laterality begins. Our left and right-sightedness happens in the egg so that we can have locomotion and move.

This light in our body is then converted into electricity. We can measure that, EEG, EKG heart, EMG muscle, and inside of every single cell or mitochondria, a mitochondria can produce a spark of electrical power equivalent to 70 lightning bolts. And there are between 3,600 to 10,000 mitochondria per cell. And I did the math on that one time. That's about nine quintillion lightning bolts of power potential that we each have. That's how I can move my arm through space and that my heart can beat, and send a message through my brain so that it comes out through my tongue, into your ears, and into the innermost part of your body, the marrow of your bones, so that that word can burn there and then want to come out as we spread the message of light. But that's just natural light. The supernatural light, which is the light of the knowledge of God's glory in the face of Jesus Christ is put down in our heart, but it's put into a clay vessel, a clay pot.

So a clay pot here and there's light down in it, you cannot see the light from me, only from looking above down into that clay pot can you see the light. So God can see the light in my heart, but nobody else can except my light can only shine out in my brokenness. That's why daily we waste away inwardly, we have been renewed daily. So in my brokenness, all my trials, my tribulations, my afflictions, that breaks away whatever pride that I may have, and then that light of the glorious gospel of the face of Christ can then shine out of me. Now that can happen.

We see that in Isaiah 58. He calls for a fast. He says, "If you share your food with the hungry and provide the wanderer with shelter, when you see the naked and clothe him and not turn away from your own flesh and blood, then your light will break forth like the dawn and your healing will quickly appear." It says, "If you do away with the yoke of oppression, with the pointing finger and malicious talk, and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in darkness and your night will become like the noonday."

So then I must serve others. To do that, I must humble myself to be able to serve others. And when we do that, that's when our light shines forth from us. So on that day of the feast of dedication when they were lighting the candles, Jesus stood up and said, "I am the light of the world." Then later he told his disciples, [inaudible 00:12:55], you are the light of the world. Don't put anything on it to cover it up. Let your light shine forth so that people can see your good deeds and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

And so he also said a city on the hill, that that light shines forth. And I tell you, Harvard, you are that city on the hill. You got a part of you that sits on a ridge up here and that you've shined around the world for centuries. And don't put a basket on it and cover it up for he said, "The night is far spent. The day is at hand. Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness and let us put on the armor of light." And that's what we wear is that armor of light. And so it must shine forth. So today I declare that as our light shines forth it would serve others, that we then dig up those old wells of revival. As Isaiah 58 says as we prepare those walls that have been breached, that the light can then shine forth. And I proclaim that the light will continue to shine forth from what is Harvard here throughout the whole world. I declare this in the name of Jesus today. Amen.

Rohan Press:

The night has passed and the day lies open before us. Let us rise to pray with one heart and mind the prayer that Jesus taught us, saying,

Congregation:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Rohan Press:

Please join in the singing of our concluding hymn, hymn number 84, Give Us the Wings of Faith to Rise.

Our benediction today is from the collects of Thomas Cranmer.

Almighty and merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us from all things that may hurt us, that we, being ready both in body and soul, may with free hearts accomplish those things that thou wouldst have done through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Congregation:

Amen.