



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7**

*Guard the Truth*

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Moment of Preparation

All Praise to Him Who Reigns

Call to Worship

Song

I Will Glory In My Redeemer

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness

Song

1 Peter 3:18a

Praise God from Whom All Blessings – #556

Prayers of the People

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Old Testament

Proverbs 11:1-4

Message

Rev. Keith Fink

**For the Love of Money**

1 Timothy 6:2b-10

**WE CELEBRATE AT GOD'S TABLE**

Sacrament of Communion

**WE DEPART TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD**

Song

When Peace Like a River (verses 1, 3 & 4) – #330

Benediction

Postlude

*Guard the Truth*  
For the Love of Money  
1 Timothy 6:2b-10

**Question: The love of money – how dangerous is it, really?**

**I. The Context: The False Teachers (3-5)**

- ~ Their missing the mark on Jesus (3)
- ~...results in conceit, and an unhealthy craving for controversy (4-5a)
- ~...and the mistaken thought that godliness leads to financial gain (5b)

**II. The Contrast: Godliness + Contentment = Gain; while the Love of Money + Its Pursuit = Ruin and Destruction (6-10)**

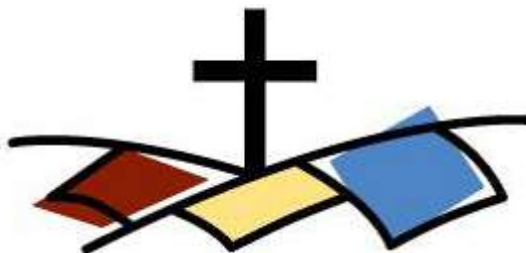
- ~ You can't take it with you so be content and know great gain (6-8)
- ~ ...for the desire to get rich is a snare/trap (9a)
- ~ ...and the trap leads to ruin (9b)
- ~ The wise person will see that the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil (10a)
- ~ You only have to look around to see examples of this (10b)

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**Point to Ponder:** Jesus told us that: “*where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*” (Mt.6:21) This suggests that our treasure (or our wealth) can be a window into our heart. **What would our checkbook say about our heart?** To a man controlled by his wealth Jesus lovingly invited him to give it away (Mk. 10:17-21). When Jesus transformed a man, who was once controlled by his pursuit of wealth, the man responded by giving his wealth away (Lk. 19:1-10). **If one tool for loosening our grip on our possessions and lessening our desire for more is generosity, then consider how we might grow measurably in generosity this year.**

**Next Week:**

Next Sunday morning we continue in our sermon series entitled *Guard the Truth* by considering **1 Timothy 6:11-16** ‘Charge!’



## **I Will Glory in My Redeemer**

I will glory in my Redeemer  
Whose priceless blood  
Has ransomed me  
Mine was the sin  
That drove the bitter nails  
And hung Him on that judgment tree  
I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who crushed the power of sin and death  
My only Savior before the holy Judge  
The Lamb who is my righteousness  
The Lamb who is my righteousness

I will glory in my Redeemer  
My life He bought, my love He owns  
I have no longings for another  
I'm satisfied in Him alone  
I will glory in my Redeemer  
His faithfulness my standing place  
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me  
My feet are firm held by His grace  
My feet are firm held by His grace

I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who carries me on eagle's wings  
He crowns my life with loving-kindness  
His triumph song I'll ever sing  
I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who waits for me at gates of gold  
And when He calls me it will be paradise  
His face forever to behold  
His face forever to behold

## **Praise God from Whom All Blessings**

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost  
Amen

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## **When Peace Like a River**

When peace like a river  
Attendeth my way  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot  
Thou has taught me to say  
“It is well, it is well with my soul”

It is well with my soul  
It is well, it is well  
With my soul

My sin —  
Oh the bliss of this glorious thought  
My sin — not in part but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross  
And I bear it no more  
Praise the Lord  
Praise the Lord O my soul

It is well with my soul  
It is well, it is well  
With my soul

And Lord haste the day when the  
Faith shall be sight  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll  
The trump shall resound  
And the Lord shall descend  
“Even so” — it is well with my soul

It is well with my soul  
It is well, it is well  
With my soul

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