

# Pains of Conscience

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**1 Tim 4:2** Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

**Acts 24:16** (Weymouth) This too is my own earnest endeavor—always to have a clear conscience in relation to God and man.

### A346:1

**Heb 12:1** Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

### R5319:1

**1 John 3:1** (Phillips) Consider the incredible love that the Father has shown us in allowing us to be called “children of God” - and that is not just what we are called, but what we are. Our heredity on the Godward side is no mere figure of speech - which explains why the world will no more recognize us than it recognized Christ.

**Phil 4:13** I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

### E110

**2 Cor 5:16-17** **16** Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we *him* no more. **17** Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

**2 Cor 12:7-10** (Rotherham) **7** Wherefore, lest I should be unduly lifted up, there was given to me a thorn o in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, that he might buffet me,—lest I should be unduly lifted up. **8** In this behalf, thrice, besought I, the Lord, that it might depart from me; **9** And at once he said unto me—Sufficient for thee, is my favor, for, my power, in weakness, is made complete. Most gladly, therefore, will I rather boast in my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may spread a tent over me. **10** Wherefore, I take pleasure in weaknesses, in insults, in necessities, in persecutions, and straits, in behalf of Christ; for, as soon as I am weak, then, am powerful.

**R2968:1** “The deepest pains and sorrows of the heart are more than counterbalanced by the joys of the Lord secured through the possession of a fullness of his Spirit.”

**F678** “There could be no such joys were it not for our blessed hopes. If our joys were dependent upon circumstances of this life merely, we should be without joy; and, as the Apostle has declared, be “of all men most miserable.” (1 Cor 15:19)

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**Jer 32:17** Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, *and* there is nothing too hard for thee:

**F678** cntd. “It is when hope has laid a firm hold upon the exceeding great and precious promises of God’s Word, that joys spring up as flowers in a desert, vivified [given life] by our tears—such flowers of joy and blessing as the poor world in its wilderness condition could not produce or imagine. And as our joys depend upon our hopes they depend and deepen also upon and with our activities.”

**F678-679** “It is not sufficient that a promise has been left us, and that our hope has grasped the promise. By divine arrangement the joy which springs into being through the implanted hopes and prospects must be nourished by prayer, and by activity in the Lord’s service. Our Lord indicates the close relationship between prayer and the perpetuation of our joys, saying:

“Ask and Ye Shall Receive, that Your Joy may be Full “—John 16:24

**Psa 16:11** Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence *is* fulness of joy; at thy right hand *there are* pleasures for evermore

**Psa 37:23-24 23** From Yahweh, are the steps of a man made firm, When, with his way, he is well pleased: **24** Though he fall, he shall not be hurled headlong, For, Yahweh, is holding his hand.

**1 John 4:4** As for you, dear children, you are God's children, and have successfully resisted them; for greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.

**1 John 4:1** Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but put the spirits to the test to see whether they are from God; for many false teachers have gone out into the world.

**R5488:6** “The powers of the world, flesh and devil are closely allied, and therefore, he who plans for conquest and an established reign thereafter, must seek alliance with another and stronger power.”

**2 Cor 5:17** So that if any one is in Christ, he is a new creature: the old state of things has passed away; a new state of things has come into existence.

**Psa 91:1-4 1** He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High, Under the shadow of the Almighty, will tarry, **2** Saying of Yahweh—My refuge and my fortress, My God, in whom I will trust. **3** For, he, will rescue thee, From the snare of the fowler, From the destructive pestilence. **4** With his pinion, will he cover thee, And, under his wings, shalt thou seek refuge, A shield and buckler, is his faithfulness.

**F375** “If any violation of the golden rule brings pain and regret it is a sure sign that it was not wilful, but stumbled into by the flesh contrary to the desires of the spirit.”

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**Psa 34:19** Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

**R4821** “Those most humble toward the Almighty are frequently those who have had great sins and great weaknesses, which have helped to humble them. Thus the great Apostle, St. Paul, was allowed to retain a measure of visual weakness as a reminder of the time when he was a persecutor of Christ—of the “Church which is his Body “.

**R4804** “Such was our Lord's last conflict. Doubtless the powers of darkness were busy in that awful hour, taking advantage of the circumstances and of his weakness and weariness to discourage his hope and to fill his mind with fears that, after all, he would fail, or had failed to do the work acceptably; and that a resurrection, therefore, was uncertain.”

**Heb 5:7-8** (Weymouth) **7** For Jesus during his earthly life offered up prayers and entreaties, crying aloud and weeping as He pleaded with Him who was able to bring Him in safety out of death, and He was delivered from the terror from which He shrank. **8** Although He was God's Son, yet He learned obedience from the sufferings which He endured;

**R4804** “he took those human fears to the Heavenly Father... in order that his human will might be reinforced.

**Heb 5:7** Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared;

**Rom 8:28** And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.

**2 Cor 12:9** (Weymouth) But His reply has been, “My grace suffices for you, for power matures in weakness.” Most gladly therefore will I boast of my infirmities rather than complain of them—in order that Christ's power may overshadow me.

“Then God sent an angel to comfort and minister unto him; to assure him still of the Divine favor, and thus to give him fresh courage, strength of mind and steadiness of nerve to endure all that was before him, even unto death.”

**R5563:5**

**Matt 26:69-75** (Phillips) All this time Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard, and a maidservant came up to him and said, “Weren't you with Jesus, the man from Galilee?” But he denied it before them all, saying “I don't know what you're talking about.” Then when he had gone out into the porch, another maid caught sight of him and said to

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those who were there, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth." And again he denied it with an oath - "I don't know the man"! A few minutes later those who were standing about came up to Peter and said to him, "You certainly are one of them, you know; it's obvious from your accent." At that he began to curse and swear - "I tell you I don't know the man!" Immediately the cock crew, and the words of Jesus came back into Peter's mind - "Before the cock crows you will disown me three times." And he went outside and wept bitterly.

**R5545** "This is the same kind of experience that the Lord had and that His people of the past have had. "... So far from being discouraged, we are to rejoice—not that any could rejoice in persecution for its own sake, for persecution is grievous; but we are to rejoice because "great is your reward in Heaven."

**R1322** "The journey of life has to be pursued, the enemies of life have to be overcome, the work of life has to be accomplished, and the discipline of life has to be perfected. In all this there is wear and tear—weariness and exhaustion; but our strength is renewed by heavenly food."

**Psa 103:17-18 17** But the mercy of the LORD *is* from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children; **18** To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

**2 Pet 1:2-4 2** Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, **3** According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that *pertain* unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: **4** Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

**R1532:2**

**R5081:4**

**Eph 1:9** Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

**Heb 12:1** Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

**R5319:3**

**R5859:6**

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**R5319:2**

**R5319:6.**

**1 Cor 9:26-27** (Weymouth) **26** That is how I run, not being in any doubt as to my goal. I am a boxer who does not inflict blows on the air, **27** but I hit hard and straight at my own body and lead it off into slavery, lest possibly, after I have been a herald to others, I should myself be rejected.

**Psa 37:23-24 23** The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way. **24** Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth *him with* his hand.

### **Songs in the Night - May 24**

“OUR text presupposes that in the class described the human will has been transformed—that the divine will has been accepted as instead of the human; and that the child of God is seeking to walk in the ways of righteousness, in which he has already started; and the proper thought to be gathered is that thus seeking to walk in the Lord’s ways, God will not permit his imperfections of judgment to work him any injury, but will supervise his affairs; will overrule so that every step he may take, although it be taken of his own will, his own volition—his consecrated will, however—shall be overruled for his good; for his development as a new creature in Christ. If he shall err in judgment, and bring upon himself the consequences of his error, the Lord’s wisdom and power are such that he can fulfil all the provisions of this promise, and make even his blunders and weaknesses to so react as to strengthen his character and establish him in righteousness, developing in him by these and other experiences the fruits and graces of the Spirit, which will eventually fit and prepare him for joint-heirship in the kingdom. R3155 (Hymn 145)”

Realizing the time is short and the importance of the road on which we are traveling, it is imperative that we,

**Psa 90:12** So teach *us* to number our days, that we may apply *our* hearts unto wisdom.

**Pilgrim Echoes, p.403 DISCOURAGEMENT** “I believe in Disappointing the Devil. You will disappoint him if you do not allow discouragement to get into your heart.” “There is only one who is discouraged in us, and that is the devil, but even the devil will not be so badly discouraged in you if you will only be a little discouraged yourself.

**Gal 3:26-28** (Weymouth) **26** You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus; **27** for all of you who have been baptized into Christ, have clothed yourselves with Christ. **28** In Him the distinctions between Jew and Gentile, slave and free man, male and female, disappear; you are all one in Christ Jesus.

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**R2754:1**

**R4470:1**

**1 John 5:4** For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith.

**Manna - April 28**

“We have need of faith, and that can only be developed by necessities.”

**Hab 2:4** Behold, his soul *which* is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.

**Psa 37:16** A little that a righteous man hath *is* better than the riches of many wicked.

**Isa 1:25** And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away thy dross, and take away all thy tin:

**Eccl 7:8** (Leeser) Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: better is the patient in spirit than the proud in spirit.

**Psa 73:24** (Leeser) With thy counsel wilt thou guide me, and afterward take me on to glory.

**Isa 42:8** I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.

**Mat 16:27** For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels.

**Rev 1:6** Hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

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**2 Cor 12:9** And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.