

current sermon series

THE
GOSPEL *of* **JOHN**

THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE

John 9:1-12

As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. ² And his disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” ³ Jesus answered, “It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him.

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⁴ We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵ As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” ⁶ Having said these things, he spit on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud

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⁷ and said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.
⁸ The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?”
⁹ Some said, “It is he.” Others said,

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“No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.”¹⁰ So they said to him,

“Then how were your eyes opened?”

¹¹ He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed and received my sight.”

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¹² They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

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Matthew 11:4-5

And Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵ the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them.

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2 Corinthians 4:3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

For we do not preach ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your bond-servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

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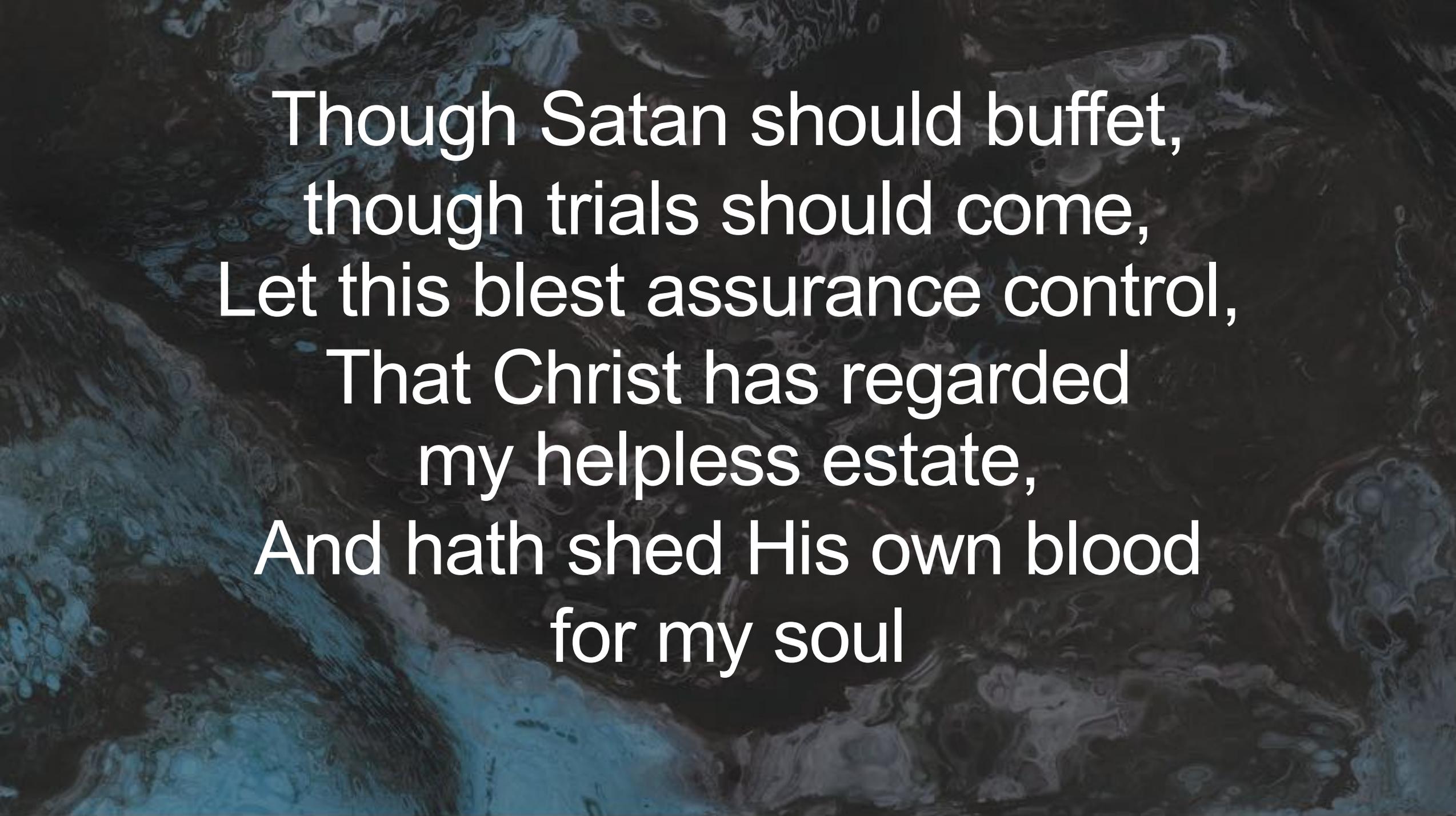
Jesus sees our weakness, our suffering, our helplessness, our disabilities [physical and spiritual] and in grace, He moves toward us.

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The thrust of the gospel is not *God helps those who help themselves*, but that you and I have been made weak, crippled, blind and dead by sin AND that weak, crippled, blind dead people are those that receive Jesus' grace.

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3. Jesus is revealing the nature of the salvation that He brings.
4. Jesus is revealing His heart toward us.
5. Jesus is encouraging us to suffer well by resting in His grace.



Though Satan should buffet,
though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded
my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood
for my soul