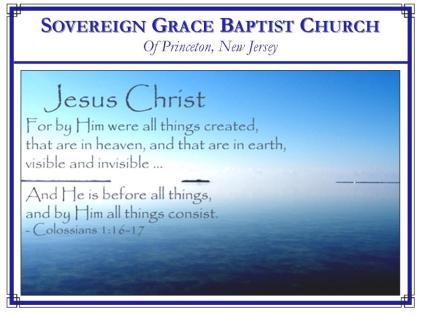
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Sunday: 10:15 AM 11:00 AM Thursday: 7:30 PM Bible Class Morning Service Mid-week Service

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Proverbs 15: 14: The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness.

Exodus 33: 15: And he said unto him, If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence. Moses was rather for dying where he stood than to go one step without his God. Oh, my brother, if he will but go along with us, what need we be afraid of ten thousands that shall set themselves against us? (Ps 3:5-8; 27:1-3). But, without him, the proud helpers fall under the slain (Is 10:4). *John Bunyan*

THE EASY AND LIGHT YOKE "For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous." (1 Jn 5:3)

God commands "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Mt 11:28-30). God says, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another" (Jn 13:34). The apostle Peter said the law of Sinai was a "yoke which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear" (Acts 15: 22). He spoke by experience as one who had been under both the old and new covenants. Peter knew that the commandment of faith and love is easy and light because Christ our Righteousness to be rest from the impossible burden of the law and Christ's love a far superior motive. (Rom 3: 31-4: 3).

"At the end of two full years" (Genesis 41:1)

God had promised Joseph that he would exalt him. That his own family would come and bow down before him. But this promise was slow in being fulfilled. Joseph was betrayed by his brethren, sold as a slave, falsely accused, and put in prison where his feet were hurt in the stocks.

Joseph had interpreted the dream for Pharaoh's butler, but the butler had forgotten to speak on Joseph's behalf. For two full years Joseph languished in prison. What an opportunity to grow weary and doubtful and unbelieving, and even bitter. How Satan must have tempted Joseph to curse the butler and accuse God - "Two full years"!

But the verse says, "*At the end* of two full years." The promises of God are sure to those in Christ, but the wheels that bring those promises can turn very slow sometimes, but the promises will arrive. There is an end that God has in mind. Now is the time to be tried - and sometimes tried sore too. Trials that are not only deep as Joseph's dungeon but trials that last for years as his did. But the promise will come. Wait patiently for it, (Heb.6:11-15).

Dear brother Fortner used to say, "Don't judge God by his providence, but judge his providence by him.' Joseph lived in the faith that God was good and was working all these trials for a good end (Gen.50:20). This kept him from being swallowed up in weariness and from growing bitter at God or man.

In Our Latter Years – By Henry Mahan (10/06)

In our latter years... there is a keener sense of sin! Older believers are more aware of the NATURE of sin than the acts and deeds of sin. Attitude and spirit occupy the mind more than the acts and deeds.

In our latter years... our prayers begin to change. There is less *asking* and more *thanksgiving*... less *petition* and more *praise*. We do, however, ask things for our children, but our needs are different than theirs.

In our latter years... there is a clearer understanding of the FRAILTY OF LIFE. It is more difficult to think of death when we are young, but when this flesh begins to crumble and the *keepers of the house tremble, the strong men bow themselves,* we begin to think more and more of *our house not made with hands*.

SOVEREIGN PURPOSE

Exodus 1: 1: Now these are the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt; every man and his household came with Jacob. 2: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, 3: Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin, 4: Dan, and Naphtali, Gad, and Asher. 5: And all the souls that came out of the loins of Jacob were seventy souls: for Joseph was in Egypt already. 6: And Joseph died, and all his brethren, and all that generation. 7: And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed exceeding mighty; and the land was filled with them.

These are the twelve tribes of the children of Israel; the twelfth was Ephraim, Joseph's son. God knows his spiritual Israel expressly by name. God works everything in the world only for his elect as seen by how God worked everything for these twelve tribes.

Long before this, at the tower of Babel, God confounded languages and divided the nations. At that time when God divided Canaan—"he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel" (Deut 32: 8). Way back before these twelve patriarchs were born, before God delivered them out of Egyptian bondage, God measured out land to twelve heathen nations sufficient to hold the twelve tribes of Israel. God made cursed tribes maintain the land until the time God took it from them and gave it to the twelve tribes of Israel as promised.

In eternity, before we were born God determined the eternal inheritance of his spiritual Israel when he entered covenant with Christ, typified by God entering covenant with Abraham. God secured heavenly Canaan in the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. This was typified in the sacrifice when God made covenant with Abraham (Gen 15: 7-15). God reserved heavenly Canaan according to the exact number of his elect for whom Christ died (Jn 14:2-3). "Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours; ...And ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's" (1 Cor 3:21-23). "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" (Ro 8:28).