

Rockwood Church of Christ The Proclaimer

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BEAUTIFUL FEET

What makes a person beautiful? Is it their eyes or their hair? Perhaps a person's voice makes them beautiful. Maybe it is the fact a person is tall, dark and handsome or that they have beautiful skin and golden curls and that appeals to our sense of what is beautiful.

Consider for a moment what the Lord calls beautiful through the apostle Paul. "How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO PREACH THE GOSPEL OF PEACE, WHO BRING GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS!" (Romans 10:14-15).

Do you consider feet to be beautiful? During the time that Paul penned these words, most people of the region wore some type of sandal or walked barefoot. Their feet would often be covered with dust, dirt and grime from traveling the roads and working in the fields. Think about how tough life must have been for the poor foot. No wonder there was a wash basin and fresh towel by the front door of the house! Simply washing your feet at the end of the day may have been as soothing as our resting in the recliner after working hard.

It was Paul's hardworking feet that carried him to the lost of the world. Are our feet working for the Lord? During your lifetime, golden hair will turn gray, muscles will weaken, and the eyes may cry out for bifocals, but the feet that work for the Lord will always remain beautiful. The Lord's church needs to be filled with all kinds of feet; some will hold up great teachers, others wonderful singers, givers, or evangelists. No matter what talent you may have to serve the Lord's kingdom, strive to walk each day with beautiful feet that will bring the gospel of peace to a truly needful world.

Paul Nygard

THE APOSTLE PAUL'S CONFIDENCE

By Paul Sain, revised

The faithful servant and soldier of Jesus Christ, formerly known as Saul of Tarsus, serves as an inspiring example for Christians today. The writer of over a dozen books of the New Testament captures the "spirit" and "attitude" we should have as we serve our Master each day. Read and be encouraged.

Philippians 4:13

"I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me."

I Timothy 4:10

"...we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men..."

II Corinthians 5:14

"For the love of Christ constraineth us"

II Corinthians 12:10

"Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake; for when I am weak, then am I strong."

Romans 1:14-16

"I am debtor...I am ready to preach the Gospel to you...For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

Romans 8:18

"For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

II Timothy 1:12

"I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against the day."

I Corinthians 9:16, 27

"For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!" (vs. 27) "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway."

I Corinthians 4:4

"For I know nothing by myself; yet I am not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord."