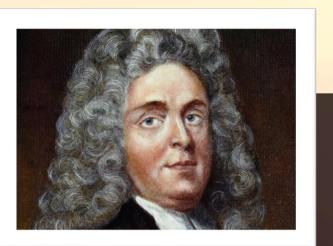
SATISFIED IN GOD

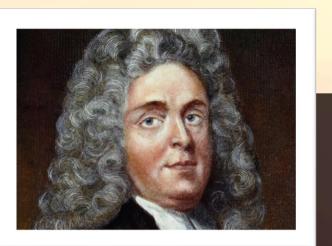
Now this is eternal life: that they may *know* you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

"The best and dearest of God's saints and servants may sometimes have their lot cast in a wilderness, which speaks them lonely and solitary, desolate and afflicted, wanting, wandering, and unsettled, and quite at a loss what to do with themselves...



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"All the straits and difficulties of a wilderness must not put us out of tune for sacred songs; but even then it is our duty and interest to keep up a cheerful communion with God. There are psalms proper for a wilderness..."



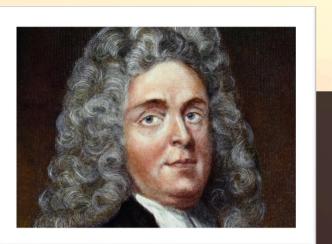
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"Note, In all our addresses to God we must eye him as God, and our God, and this will be our comfort in a wilderness-state... And we must own his authority over us and propriety in us, and our relation to him: 'Thou art my God, mine by creation and therefore my rightful owner and ruler, mine by covenant and my own consent."



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Earnestly=

assiduously, exhaustively, intensely, intensively, painstakingly, thoroughly, unremittingly

² My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?

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⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me.

36 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" 37 Jesus replied: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' 38 This is the first and greatest commandment.

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² I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.

⁴ One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.

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 - B. Verse 3: His steadfast love is <u>better</u> than <u>life</u>

"Life is dear, but God's love is dearer. To dwell with God is better than life at its best; life at ease, in a palace, in health, in honour, in wealth, in pleasure; yea, a thousand lives are not equal to the eternal life which abides in Jehovah's smile."



Charles Spurgeon

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If any one loves the world, love for the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world. 17 And the world passes away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides for ever.

1 John 2:15-17

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"We ought not to make our praises of God to depend upon our own personal and present reception of benefits; this would be mere selfishness... it is the true believer only who will bless the Lord when he takes away his gifts or hides his face."



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