



Soul Care

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Heritage Hour Radio Broadcast * 8-pt. series

Soul Care Portraits of God

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which the Lord yearns to lovingly **reveal & heal**,
to the degree we *"abide in Him to bear much fruit."* (John 15:5)

Above all else, guard your **heart**,
for from it flow the springs of life. (Proverbs 4:23)

Do not think more highly of himself than he ought to think ...

For we have gifts that differ according to the grace given us. (Romans 12:3, 6)

For God does not see as man sees, since man looks at the
outward appearance, **but the Lord looks at the heart.** (1 Samuel 16:7)

The heart is more deceitful than all else; And is desperately sick;
Who can understand it? I, the Lord, search the heart. (Jeremiah 17:9)

#146 He is Our Soul Care Shepherd (1 of 8)

Our Restoring Shepherd (Psalm 23:1-3)

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want (lack).

2 *He makes me lie down in green pastures;*

3 *He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul.*

[\[\] Tender care](#) [\[\] Bedtime ritual](#) [\[\] Soul/Heart focus](#)

Our Rest-giving Shepherd (Matthew 11:28-29)

Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 *Take my yoke upon you and learn from Me,*

for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you shall find rest for your souls.

[\[\] Jesus first](#) [\[\] Yoke of His Gentle, humble heart/soul](#) [\[\] Fruit of soul rest](#)

#147 He is Our Healing Creator (2 of 8)

Our Creative Designer (Romans 12:6)

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[\[\] Heart wiring/gifts/language](#) [\[\] Unique paint mix](#) [\[\] Designed for a calling](#)

Our Creative Healer (Jeremiah 17:9; 1 Peter 2:24)

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A Biblical Journey about How Jesus Healed (Mark 1:41)

20 Biblical Reasons about Why God Allows Physical Infirmary

7 Hidden Things that Blind & Bind Our Hearts

(This is why His healing ways cannot be formulized)

#149 He is Our Constant Conversation (4 of 8)

Our Eternal Conversation (John 1:1-5, 14)

*In the beginning was the logos (Word; Conversation),
and the Logos was with God, and the Logos was God...
and the Logos became flesh and dwelt among us.*

(New York Global Conference; Pre-dawn walks)

Our Internal Conversation (John 15:5)

*I am the vine, you are the branches; the one who abides in Me,
and I in him bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.*

(My Local Church years; Marinating steaks)

Our Whispering Conversation (1 Kings 19: 11-12)

*...but the Lord was not in the wind. And after the wind there
was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake.
And after the earthquake, a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire;
and after the fire, a sound of a still small voice.*

(Be still; Lie down/Pasture meditation)

Our Tested Conversation (1 John 4:1; John 4:24)

* *Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they
are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.*

* *God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.*

* *All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching (doctrine),
for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness...*

[\[\] Hermeneutics in Spirit & Truth](#) [\[\] Interpretation; Codification; Application](#)

Our Focused Conversation (John 5:39-40)

*You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal
life; and it is those very Scriptures that testify about Me; 40 and yet you are
unwilling to come to Me so that you may have life.*

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#150 He us Our Deeper Dive (5 of 8)

*As the deer pants for the water brooks, So my soul pants for You, God.
 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God . . . Why are you in despair, my soul?
 And why are you restless within me? (Psalm 42:1-2, 5, 7)*

1. Our Merciful Savior. Matthew 9:36

*Seeing the crowds, He felt compassion for them, because
 were distressed and downcast, like sheep without a shepherd.*

[] **We are downcast sheep.** [] **Blind. Captive.**

2. Our Gentle Teacher. Mark 10:13-14

*And they were bringing children to Him so that He would touch them;
 but the disciples rebuked them. 14 But when Jesus saw this,
 He was indignant and said to them, "Allow the children to come to Me;
 do not forbid them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.*

[] **Children/disciples** [] **Milk/Meat. Rabbi. Parables.** [] **Kid's sermons**

3. Our Gracious Master. II Timothy 2:24-26

*And The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, skillful
 in teaching, patient when wronged, 25 with gentleness correcting those who are in
 opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge
 of the truth, 26 and they may come to their senses and escape from the
 snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will.*

[] **Voluntary bond-servants**, nor enthroned kings. [] **He's not a task-master.**

JUST KEEP SWIMMING . . . JUST KEEP SWIMMING . . .

4. Our Loving Father/Groom. Rom. 8:15; Eph 5:31-32

*For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have
 received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" **

*For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother and be joined to his wife,
 and the two shall become one flesh. 32 This mystery is great; but I am
 speaking with reference to Christ and the church.*

[] **We are His beloved children/bride.**

[] **Unconditional/Unbridled love vs. Earned/Guarded love.**

5. Our Fruitful Oneness. John 15:5; Colossians 1:26-28; 3:3

*I am the vine, you are the branches; the one who remains in Me, and I in him bears
 much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing. * The mystery which had been
 hidden from the past ages and generations, but now has been revealed to His saints
 ... is Christ in you, the hope of glory ... so that we may present every person complete
 in Christ ... For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.*

[] **New creations.** [] **Mind of Christ.** [] **Merge into ONE!** [] **UNION**

#151 He is Our Wondrous Mystery (6 of 8)

Sober Mysteries

*"In this world you will have tribulation,
 but take courage; I have overcome the world." (John 16:3)
 Therefore, those also who suffer according to the will of God are to
 entrust their souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right. (I Peter 4:19)*

Our Loving Bridegroom/Father. (Eph. 5:31-32; Rom. 8:15)

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[] **His beloved bride** * **A soldier's nagging wife or wounder comrade?**

[] **LOVE: Unconditional/Unbridled/Sacrificing vs. Earned/Guarded/Selfish**

[] **U.S.J.** [] **Triggered by unhealed Wounds, Grief, Resentment, Bitterness...**

*But you have received a spirit of adoption as sons (& daughters)
 by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" (Romans 8:15)*

[] **His beloved children** * **Father wounds & Hallmark cards**

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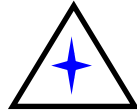
A WONDROUS... Intimate Union! * Interwoven Unity! * Daily Wonder
New creations! Mind of Christ! Abundant Grace! Eternal Destiny!
 [] **Opal & husband's amputations** [] **Abuse; PTSD; Suffering... by God's will!**

*Diving into the deepest depths of Jesus, our Wondrous Mystery
 is the only way to survive & thrive in the midst of earthly suffering!
 With this focus, go and slowly swim in Colossians 1-3 & I Peter 4-5*

#152 He is Our Worship Focus (7 of 8)

Worship is more about our Focus, than our Feelings

([Problem](#): Worship wars; Traditions; Heart Wiring)



God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth. (John 4:24)

Majestic Worship – Our King (Isaiah 6:1-5)

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple. 2 Seraphim stood above Him... 3 And one called out to another and said, "Holy, Holy, Holy, is the LORD of hosts, The whole earth is full of His glory." 4 And the foundations of the thresholds trembled at the voice of him who called out, while the temple was filling with smoke. 5 Then I said, "Woe is me, for I am ruined! ... For my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts."

[\[\] Top of triangle](#) [\[\] "Holy" superlative](#) [\[\] "Fear of the Lord..."](#) [\[\] High church](#)

Celebrative Worship— Our Victor (Psalm 149:1-4)

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, And His praise in the congregation of the godly ones. 2 Let Israel be glad in his Maker; Let the sons of Zion rejoice in their King. 3 Let them praise His name with dancing; Let them sing praises to Him with timbrel and lyre. 4 For the LORD takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the afflicted ones with salvation.

[\[\] Bottom Lt. triangle](#) [\[\] Our Rescuer... Healer ... Savior!](#) [\[\] Charismatics](#)

Intimate Worship— Our Daddy (Romans 8:15-17)

For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" 16 The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him.

* "Whoever then humbles himself as this child, he is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. (Matt. 18:4) * "Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it at all." (Mark 10:15)

[\[\] Btm. Rt.](#) [\[\] Child-like Trust, Need, Love](#) [\[\] King's lap](#) [\[\] Groom's heart](#)

Broken Worship— Our Healer (James 4:8-10)

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

9 Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy to gloom.

10 Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you.

* How blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered! (Psalm 32:1) * Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes (wounds) you were healed. (1 Peter 2:24)

[\[\] Center star](#) [\[\] The Cove](#) [\[\] Brokenness amplifies all 4!](#) [\[\] We need all 4!](#)

Thus, the War is over!



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#153 He is Our Soul Care Presence (8 of 8)

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations . . . and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

He Himself has said, "I will never leave you, nor forsake you."

(Matthew 28:19, 20; Hebrews 13:5)

Our Omnipresence (Psalm 139:1-3, 7-10)

Lord, You have searched me and known me. 2 You know when I sit down and when I get up; You understand my thought from far away. 3 You scrutinize my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways . . . Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? 8 If I ascend to heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there. 9 If I take up the wings of the dawn, If I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, 10 Even there Your hand will lead me, And Your right hand will take hold of me.

[\[\] Stunning!](#) [\[\] All is His; We are His & He's always there](#) [\[\] Scowling or Drawing?](#)

Our Manifest Presence (Acts 2:42-43)

They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. . . 43 Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles.

[\[\] Not everyone sensed it at Pentecost— Powerful manifestations!](#)
[\[\] Propositional/Cerebral \(Orthodoxy\) AND Existential/Mystical \(Pietism\)](#)
[\(Story of God & Man * Children's catechism AND adult prayer book\)](#)

Our Conscious Presence (Isaiah 26:3)

You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You.

[\[\] His presence is Often & Easily forgotten = Practical Atheists/Humanists!](#)

Our Personal Presence (John 17)

I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and You loved them, just as You loved Me.

[\[\] Unity; Union; Fruitful Oneness; Intertwined; Loved beyond measure!](#)

Our Eternal Presence (John 14:3)

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I am coming again and will take you to Myself, so that where I am, there you also will be.

[\[\] New Heaven & Earth](#) [\[\] Training in reigning](#) [\[\] Personal Abiding Place](#)

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