

Jesus Loves Me This I Know

Verse 3: Salvation and Hope

Jesus loves me—he who died heaven’s gate to open wide; he will wash away my sin, let his little child come in.

The cross shows how much God loved us. “God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life” (John 3:16).

Jesus’ love provided a way to “let His little child come in” (John 14:6 Romans 5:9–10) which involved “washing away my sin.” Only one cleanser can remove a sin stain—the blood of a Lamb. God’s Lamb gave a sufficient quantity of blood to remove all humanity’s sins (Revelation 1:5). Appropriately enough, God applies this soul-cleansing while our bodies are being washed in water (Acts 22:16; Romans 6:1–6; Ephesians 5:25–27).

Verse 4: Assurance and Comfort

Jesus loves the children dear, children far away or near; they are safe when in his care, every day and everywhere.

Jesus loves “children far away or near.” His love is as boundless as space, as wide as the ocean, as limitless as the sky. It reaches people of every race, religion, and rank; every color, caste, class, and climate, every sex and station; every tribe and tongue (Matthew 11:28–29; 1 Timothy 2:3–4; Hebrews 2:9–10).

Jesus died for all (Romans 5:18), so He wants His message to go to all (Mark 16:15–16). People of all nations responded to Him: Jews (Acts 2); Samaritans (Acts 8); Gentiles (Acts 10); Ethiopians (Acts 8); Europeans (Acts 16); and Romans (Acts 16). In fact, by the end of the New Testament, John wrote that Christ had redeemed out of “every kindred” (genetic group), “and tongue” (linguistic group) “and people” (social group), “and nation” (political group) (Revelation 5:9; cf. 7:9).

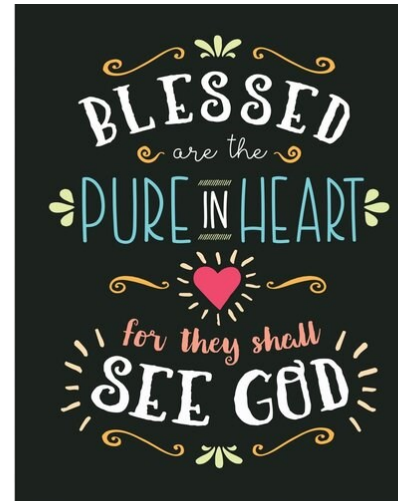
God’s children “are safe when in His care, every day and everywhere” (Romans 8:33–39). Jesus said His sheep “shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand” (John 10:28). He protects through sorrow, loneliness, poverty, disappointment, tragedy, and sin.

New Testament passages that show Christians are “safe” include the following:

- † Romans 8:28: All things work for good
- † Romans 8:38–39: Nothing can separate
- † 1 John 1:9: Confess, He forgives sins
- † 1 Peter 5:7: Cast care on Jesus; He cares
- † 1 Corinthians 13:4–8: Love never fails
- † 1 Corinthians 10:13: God provides a way

Prayers and Concerns

- ◆ Clifford Lansdown is in Hiram Shaddock Room #702 for rehab before returning to River Lodge.
- ◆ Casey Hambelton had major foot surgery Friday. She has to have complete bed rest for two weeks.
- ◆ Bill McFarland, long time preacher at Water Mill in Springfield, has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. Josh Luna will be preaching this summer while Bill receives treatment.
- ◆ Jenny James’ cancer has returned.
- ◆ Remember those with health issues—Ruth Strain, Norma Jones, Steve Siebels, Aleta Collins, Rene Blackburn.
- ◆ All those battling cancer—Don Luna, Harold Reynolds, Jim Kirkland, Donna Shipley, Elaine Hunter (Larry’s sister), Dawn (Chris Lemburg’s sister), Lionel Daugherty, Jana Crisp, Richard Blackburn, Leroy Collins, Nikki Smith, Brad Luna, Jenny James.
- ◆ Those in GHCC: Bonnie Ebrite, Delphia Holmes. Bonnie Luna at Ava. Clifford Lansdown at River Lodge, Mtn. Home; Jack Moyers Southern Meadows. Wilbern Uchtman, Brook Haven in West Plains.



Philippians 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

- † Matthew 10:28: No need to fear
- † Hebrews 13:8: Christ is same forever
- † 1 Corinthians 15:58: Labor is not in vain
- † James 1:12: Blessed if we persevere
- † 2 Peter 3:9: Lord wants none to perish

Birthdays		Anniversaries	
6-1	Barbara White	6-2	Richard and Rene Blackburn (59)
6-6	Amy Stevens	6-7	Brian and Casey Hambelton (27)
6-15	Dylan Abraham	6-8	John and Melinda Abraham (33)
6-15	Brian Hambelton	6-8	Don and Barbara Luna (56)
6-15	Titus Smith	6-10	Steve & Diana Siebels (29)
6-18	Dorlene Butler	6-28	Chance and Esther Strong (16)
6-21	Chris Lemburg	Birthdays	
6-22	Lana Bushong	6-29	Stetson Pleasant
6-27	Brandon Lynne	6-29	Denise Crisp
6-27	Adeline Smith		

We started our summer schedule last Wednesday night. No suppers and separate Bible classes start at 7:00 classes. The men are studying I Timothy and Titus, "Fighting the Good Fight" taught by Halbert. The women are studying "Looking for Lovely," Collecting the Moments that Matter. They will have different teachers every two weeks. Books are in Halbert's office. Please join us Wednesday.

Happy Hollow Bible Camp—if your child is wanting to go to camp this summer see Don or Barbara Luna for information. Green Valley Camp had tornado damage.

Date	Event	Details
Today—CRC Day	Fundraiser for Crowley's Ridge College	Give any donations to Halbert
Sat. June 15th 10 a.m.	Ladies' Prayer Brunch	Mammoth Assembly

June Worship Assignments

Welcome & Shepherd's Prayer

6-2 John Abraham
6-9 Mark Lane
6-16 David Stevens
6-23 Don Luna
6-30 John Abraham

Communion & Closing Prayer

D. E. Pleasant
Paul Wade
R. J. Moyers
Don Reynolds
Spencer Wade

Song Leader: Titus Smith
Greeters: Dana and Marsha Crisp

The Family News

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A Place to Call Home

We welcome you and are so glad you could worship with us today.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Bible Classes for All Ages

10:30 a.m. Worship Service: **Jesus Wants Pure Hearts**

7 p.m. Bible Classes for All Ages

Sunday Worship Outline

Welcome and Shepherd's Prayer

Kids Singing up Front

#695, None of Self; #666, *I Am Thine, O Lord*

#662, *All to Jesus, I Surrender*; Communion Service

#671, *Purer in Heart, O God*

Sermon and Invitation

#915, *Trust and Obey*

#615, *He Keeps Me Singing*; Closing Prayer

Offering baskets are located at the back.

We are a community of redeemed sinners who are following Jesus Christ, proclaiming the gospel of grace, loving our Lord and one another.

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