

“Joyfully Living Under the Sovereignty of God” (Part 3)
Luke 8:40-56

“Providence is God’s all governing, all pervasive, purposeful sovereignty over all things.”

“And His disciples asked Him, ‘Rabbi, **who sinned**, this man or his parents, that **he was born blind**?’ Jesus answered, ‘It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but **that the works of God might be displayed in him**’ (John 9:2-3). “But when Jesus heard it He said, ‘**This illness** does not lead to death. **It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it**’ (John 11:4). “Then the LORD said to him, ‘Who has made man’s mouth? **Who makes him** mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? **Is it not I**, the LORD?’” (Exodus 4:11). “He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and **death shall be no more**, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for **the former things have passed away**” (Revelation 21:4).

- Famous Christian quotes about suffering:
 - *“It would have been nothing short of a **calamity** to have missed the physical suffering through which I have passed, for it is there that I have found a deeper enjoyment of Christ.” (Hudson Taylor)*
 - *“He has chosen not to heal me, but to hold me. The more intense the pain, **the closer His embrace**.” (Joni Eareckson Tada)*
 - *“There is no greater mercy that I know of on earth than good health, except it be sickness. **Sickness and suffering are amongst the greatest gifts that God gives to mankind.**” (Charles Spurgeon)*
 - *“In **ease and prosperity**, I tend to live selfishly, entitled, and independent from a daily awareness of my need for Christ. I tend to focus on what will make me comfortable, not on what will make me holy.” (John Piper)*
- Luke 8:40-56
 - *“Now when Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed Him....”:* Jesus always has people in mind in His coming and going. They wanted miracles, Jesus was acting to save and sanctify.
 - *“And there came a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue....”:* The synagogue was the epicenter of Jewish religious life. He would have been rich, a respected leader, and associated with the scribes and pharisees.
 - *“And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood....”:* This woman would have been poor, ceremonially unclean, and therefore a social outcast.
 - *“For he (Jairus) had an only daughter, about **twelve years** of age....there was a woman who had a discharge of blood for **twelve years**....she could not be healed by anyone.”*
 - *“And **falling at Jesus’ feet**, he (Jairus) implored Him to come to his house....and when the woman saw that she was not hidden, **she came trembling, and falling down** before Him....”*
 - *“Daughter (of God), **your faith** has made you well (salvation/sozo); go in peace (you can enjoy God again)....Do not fear; **only believe**, and she will be well.”*
 - *“And her parents were amazed, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.” (cf. Mark 8:30-31)*

Jesus knew miracles, instead of His message being talked about, could lead to people desiring a temporary fix instead of an eternal fix, a temporary delight instead of an eternal delight. (cf. John 5:3-5,14)

Worship: God Omniscient, God All Knowing — Matt Boswell Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me) — Casting Crowns
Satisfied In You (Psalm 42) — The Sing Team **Closing Song:** God Is For Us — City Alight
Service Times: Sundays: Prayer 9:45a/Church 10:30a; Tuesdays: (In-Home) Bible Study: Women 6:30p/Men 7p; Thursdays: Prayer 6:20p/Church 7p

Announcements:

★**DONATIONS:** Throughout the month of September we are collecting monetary donations for the Christian Union Co-op. This is the general fund out of which the denomination aids individual churches within the denomination, as well as paying for repairs and upkeep of the State Home Office. The money we are collecting will go directly towards repairs that need to be done to the grounds and to the kitchen. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is for Christian Union.

★**LEGACY THEOLOGY PRACTICUM:** Tomorrow, September 9th we begin our Practicum and we are offering “Basic Greek” and “God and Revelation” for our first course. This will be from September 9th through November 25th. “Basic Greek” will be from 6-7pm and “God and Revelation” will be from 7-9pm each Monday. If interested in any of these Courses, please let Elder Richard or Elder Zach know so we can prepare a Syllabus for you for the Course.

★**CITIZENS CONCERT:** Christina is arranging a group trip to see Citizens in Columbus NEXT Sunday, September 15th. Online tickets are \$18 a person. Please let Christina know if you are interested in going so she can arrange carpooling. (740)755-6512

★**FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:** We are having a Fellowship Lunch TODAY immediately following the worship service. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us!