

Selected readings from Morning and Evening: Daily Readings, By Charles Spurgeon

Reading 110

“Whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting” Micah 5:2

The Lord Jesus had goings forth for his people *as their representative before the throne, long before they appeared upon the stage of time*. It was “from everlasting” that he signed the compact with his Father, that he would pay blood for blood, suffering for suffering, agony for agony, and death for death, in the behalf of his people; it was “from everlasting” that he gave himself up without a murmuring word. That from the crown of his head to the sole of his foot he might sweat great drops of blood, that he might be spit upon, pierced, mocked, rent asunder, and crushed beneath the pains of death. His goings forth as our Surety were from everlasting.

Pause, my soul, and wonder! You had goings forth in the person of Jesus “from everlasting.” Not only when you were born into the world did Christ love you, but his delights were with the sons of men before there were any sons of men. Often did he think of them; from everlasting to everlasting he had set his affection upon them.

What! my soul, has he been so long about my salvation, and will he not accomplish it? Has he from everlasting been going forth to save me, and will he lose me now?

What! Has he carried me in his hand, as his precious jewel, and will he now let me slip from between his fingers? Did he choose me before the mountains were brought forth, or the channels of the deep were dug, and will he reject me now?

Impossible! I am sure he would not have loved me so long if he had not been a changeless Lover. If he could grow weary of me, he would have been tired of me long before now. If he had not loved me with a love as deep as hell, and as strong as death, he would have turned from me long ago.

Oh, joy above all joys, to know that I am his everlasting and inalienable inheritance, given to him by his Father before the earth was! Everlasting love shall be the pillow for my head this night.