

Gratitude

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“Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

A Winston Churchill paid a great tribute to the men of the Royal Air Force who guarded England during World War #2. This is what he said, “Never in the history of mankind have so many owed so much to so few.” Many such battles have raged over the centuries releasing humanity from the tyrants that had so many captive.

Travelling to Calais on Highway #1 north, we cross the 45th parallel, which is well marked by a globe of our world, which has spawned so much evil. This is but one major work that marks distinct locations on our world. The most distinguishing landmark is the location of a tree planted in the centre of our world, in the centre of history and where the focus of the world is today. It is here where the greatest battle of all time was fought against the greatest of our foes who was conquered (Heb. 2:14). Interestingly, another great battle is looming on the horizon in this same locality and will very soon have its commencement as the “Battle of Armageddon.”

Coming back to that tree that was planted in the middle of our world and in the middle of “His-story,” beg for our gratitude to flow? Never have so many owed so much to one man who conquered so great an enemy, delivering us from so great an eternal despair. It would be the height of ingratitude to not bend our knee to such a Liberator from such a tyrannical force of everlasting darkness. His name is Jesus, who is the Eternal Son of God the Father, who has made us equal heirs with Him to the Glory of the Father. While we have eternity in view,

He also provides for us our daily needs from the land and from the sea. May we be enabled to focus on the abundance He has poured into our lives? Jv/dV

“Our Father, which art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy name.

Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done.

As in heaven, so in earth.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins;

For we also forgive every one that is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation;

But deliver us from evil.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.”

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