

An Attempt To Listen To God

Musings on Christ

No. 2

His Beauty

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Back in the 1960-70's, Apsley Hall in Belfast had a Sunday night service for young people in which some of the best speakers available were invited to speak. We had the opportunity to listen to men such as Peter Brandon, Hedley Murphy, R. Howley, Harold St John, and many others. They had about 20 minutes of singing and one of the hymns sung often was: "Let The Beauty of Jesus Be Seen In Me".

Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me,
All His wonderful passion and purity.
O Thou Spirit divine
May I truly be Thine
Till the beauty of Jesus be seen in me.

Let my wonderful Saviour be seen in me,
His amazing compassion and constancy.
His great love is my goal
By His Spirit's control
Till my wonderful Savior be seen in me.

Let the fruit of the Spirit be seen in me,
Grant me grace all sufficient that I may be
True and faithful each day
Ev'ry step of the way
Pointing souls to the Saviour on Calvary.

The hymn is written against the background of afflictions which come across the life of a believer when we are not always as Christlike as we ought to be. Harshness, haughtiness, and hardness can mar that which could be a beautiful life, and thus in daily life we need to muse on the beauty of the Lord. We must seek to let those features be seen by His Holy Spirit in each of us.

Christ was:

Beautiful in His Love of the Father	"I love the Father"	Jn. 14:31
Beautiful in His Love for souls	"Lay down his life"	Jn. 15:13
Beautiful in His Truth	"The truth shall make you free"	Jn. 8:32
Beautiful in His Humility	"I am among you as he that serveth"	Lk. 22:27
Beautiful in His Power	"Who is this that cometh from Edom . . . glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of His strength?"	Isa. 63:1
Beautiful in His meekness	"Grow up before Him as a tender plant"	Isa. 53:2
Beautiful in His authority	"He taught them as One having authority"	Matt. 7:29
Beautiful in His gentleness	"He touched"	Matt. 8:15
Beautiful in His sensitiveness	"Mary"	Jn. 20:16
Beautiful in His sorrows	"Acquainted with grief"	Isa. 53:3

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Beautiful in His joys	"In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit"	Lk. 10:21
Beautiful in His words	"Never man spake like this man"	Jn. 7:46
Beautiful in His silence	Before Pilate	Matt. 27:14
Beautiful in His compassion	"When He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion"	Matt. 9:36
Beautiful in His prayers	"Father"	Jn. 17:1 Lk. 6:12
Beautiful in His tears	"Jesus wept"	Jn. 11:35
Beautiful in His disfigurements	"His visage was so marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men"	Isa. 52:14
Beautiful in His fortitude	"Endured the cross"	Heb. 12:2

**May God grant us good understanding as He, by His Holy Spirit, deigns to guide us into all truth.
John 16:13**

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