

Light Shining Out of Darkness

by William Cowper

God works in mysterious ways, but His sovereignty and goodness can be trusted, even in times of uncertainty and suffering.

Scripture: Psalm 27:14, Proverbs 3:5, Isaiah 55:8, Romans 8:28, 1 Corinthians 2:9

Topics: "Gods Sovereignty", "Trusting Providence"

Description

William Cowper preaches about the mysterious ways in which God works, emphasizing the unfathomable nature of His plans and the need for believers to trust in His sovereignty even in the midst of trials and challenges. He encourages fearful saints to take courage, reminding them that God's providence, though sometimes frowning, ultimately leads to blessings. Cowper urges the congregation not to judge the Lord based on their limited understanding but to rely on His grace and trust that He will reveal His purposes in due time.

Transcript

God moves in a mysterious way,
His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.
Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never failing skill,
He treasures up his bright designs,
And works his sovereign will.
Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take,
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break

In blessings on your head.
Judge not the LORD by feeble sense,
But trust him for his grace;
Behind a frowning providence,
He hides a smiling face.
His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding ev'ry hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flow'r.
Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan his work in vain;
GOD is his own interpreter,
And he will make it plain.

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