

Created to Praise



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Through the Psalms
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> When the LORD shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory.
> He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.
> This shall be written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.
> (Psalm 102:16–18 kjv)

The psalmist here points to one great sign that the LORD's coming is near at hand: "When the LORD shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory." The rebuilding of Zion must precede and prepare for the LORD's return in glory. That is precisely what we see taking place today. The LORD is restoring and rebuilding the nation of Israel. He is likewise restoring and rebuilding the Christian Church. This is one great evidence among many that the LORD is ready to appear in His glory.

At this same period, the psalmist tells us, the LORD will regard the prayer of the destitute. For so long God's people have cried out to Him, and often their cries seem to have gone unanswered. But a day is coming when millions and millions of prayers will be answered in a short space of time by a single supreme intervention of God: the personal return of the LORD Jesus Christ.

The psalmist speaks also of this period as a unique generation, in which a people shall be created to praise the LORD. In this again he points to something we see taking place today: the restoration of praise. God's people have been so slack to praise Him for so many centuries that He is actually creating a people today for one specific purpose: that they may praise Him.

There is a logical theme that runs through all this. Once we understand what God is doing in this day for His people, our hearts must inevitably cry out for grace to respond with praise such as He deserves.

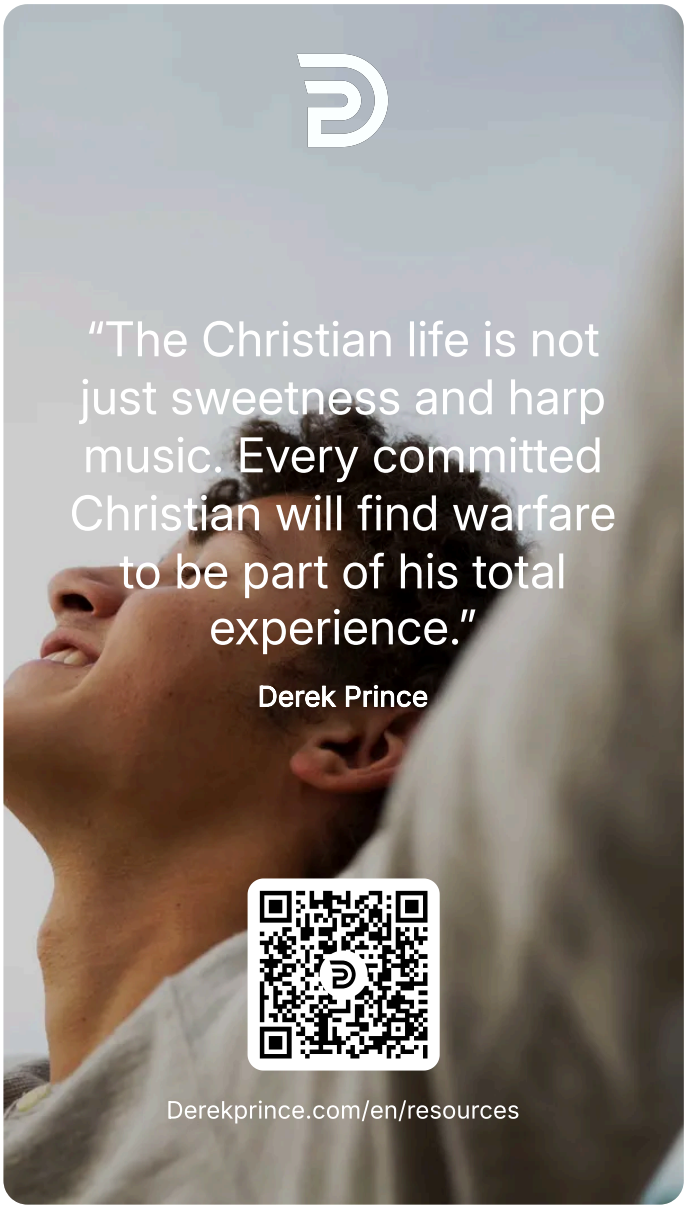
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