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¹³ But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed.

¹⁴ If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.

¹⁵ But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler.

¹⁶ Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name.

17 For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?

18 And

“If the righteous is scarcely saved,
what will become of the
ungodly and the sinner?”

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⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials,

—1 Peter 1:6

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20 As for you, ***you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good***, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.

—Genesis 50:20

¹ How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?[...]

⁵ ***But I have trusted in your steadfast love;***

my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

—Psalm 13:1,5

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¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes,
to know the power of his
resurrection and participation
in his sufferings, becoming
like him in his death,

—Philippians 3:10

³ He was despised and rejected by men, ***a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;*** and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

—Isaiah 53:3

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2 For I decided to know
nothing among you except
Jesus Christ and him crucified.

—1 Corinthians 2:2

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8 “Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs.

9 But I ***with a song of thanksgiving*** will sacrifice to you...

—Jonah 2:8-9a

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, —1 Peter 1:3-4

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⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

—1 Peter 1:7

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4. God redeems our suffering when we entrust our soul to him.

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—1 Peter 4:19

46 Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!” And having said this he breathed his last.

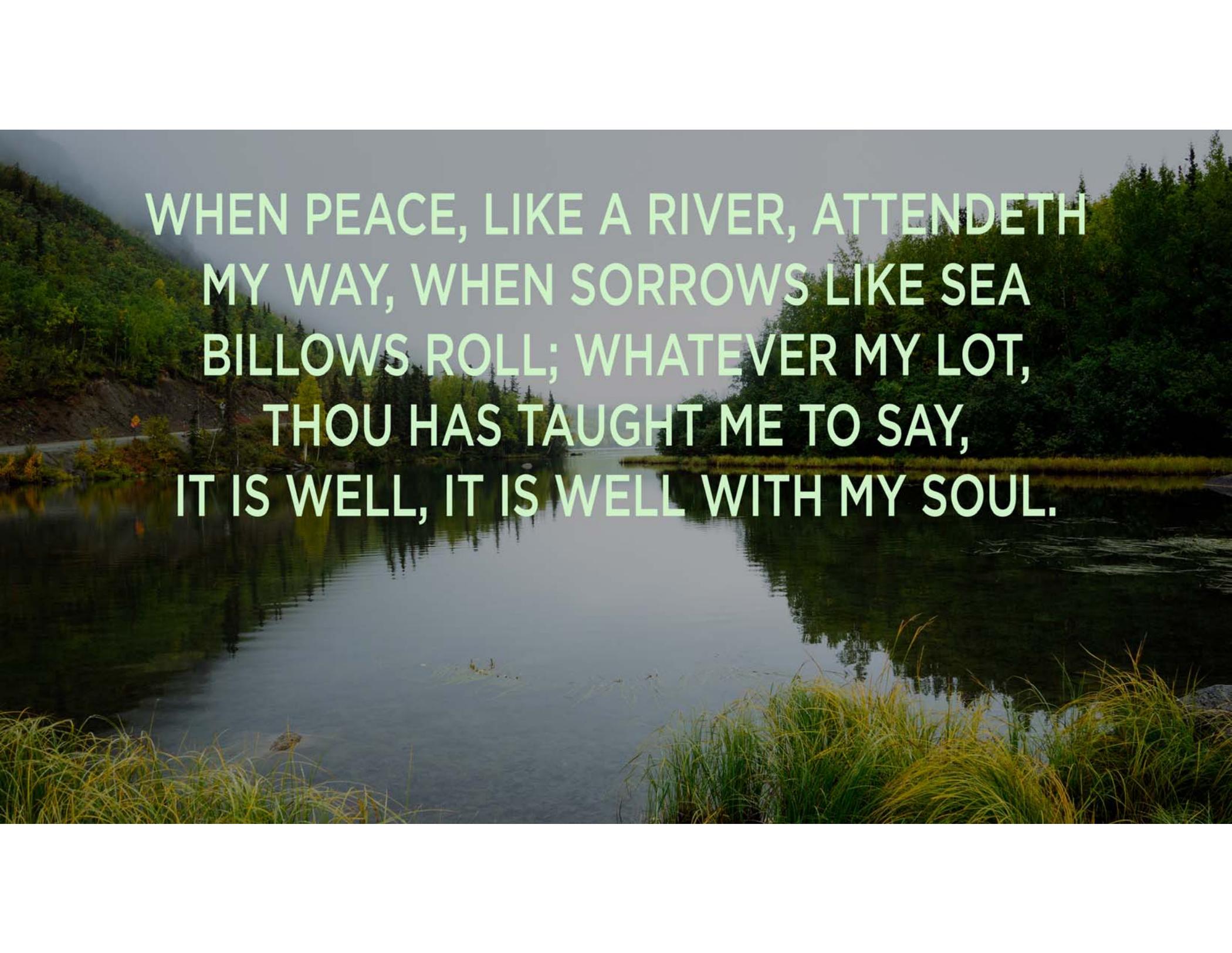
—Luke 23:46

23 When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but ***continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly.***

—1 Peter 2:23

⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.

—Hebrews 5:8



WHEN PEACE, LIKE A RIVER, ATTENDETH
MY WAY, WHEN SORROWS LIKE SEA
BILLOWS ROLL; WHATEVER MY LOT,
THOU HAS TAUGHT ME TO SAY,
IT IS WELL, IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL.



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