

## AOC Friday Quote Digest



*Almost all of this comes from Rev. Geordie Menzies-Grierson. There is a short quote at the bottom that was selected by Bishop Jerry. If you don't really enjoy this, read it again. Hap*

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### Quotes Of Interest

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Thanksgiving is the vibration of the soul's heart-strings under the soft touch of God's benevolence.

Anon.

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Thankless men are like swine feeding on acorns, which, though they fall upon their heads, never make them look up to the tree from which they come.

Jean Daille

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### MINISTRY MINUTE

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"Christ is a complete Saviour" by J. C. Ryle

"Christ is a Saviour. He did not come on earth to be a conqueror, or a philosopher, or a mere teacher of morality. He came to save sinners. He came to do that which man could never do for himself,—to do that which money and learning can never obtain,—to do that which is essential to man's real happiness,—He came to 'take away sin.'

Christ is a complete Saviour. He 'taketh away sin.' He did not merely make vague proclamations of pardon, mercy, and forgiveness. He 'took' our sins upon Himself, and carried them away. He allowed them to be laid upon Himself, and 'bore them in His own body on the tree.' (1 Pet. 2:24.) The sins of every one that believes on Jesus are made as though they had never been sinned at all. The Lamb of God has taken them clean away.

Christ is an almighty Saviour, and a Saviour for all mankind. He 'taketh away the sin of the world.' He did not die for the Jews only, but for the Gentile as well as the Jew. He did not suffer for a few persons only, but for all mankind.

The payment that He made on the cross was more than enough to make satisfaction for the debts of all. The blood that He shed was precious enough to wash away the sins of all. His atonement on the cross was sufficient for all mankind, though efficient only to them that believe. The sin that He took up and bore on the cross was the sin of the whole world."

--J. C. Ryle, Expository Thoughts on John, Vol. 1 (Carlisle, PA: Banner of Truth, 1869/2012), 40-41. Ryle is commenting on John 1:29-34.

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Commentary on Sunday's Gospel Luke 17:11-18

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11-18. Ten lepers cleansed (peculiar to Lk). For leprosy see on Mat 8:1-4. The healing of a Samaritan, and the stress laid upon his greater gratitude, is in keeping with the character of this Gentile Gospel.

11. Through the midst of (or, rather, 'between') Samaria and Galilee] 'The caravans of Galilee took either the Samaritan route or the Peræan. Jesus follows neither, but travels along the boundary between Samaria and Galilee. He directed His steps from W. To E. Towards the Jordan, which He must cross to enter Peræa' (Godet). 'He seems to have crossed the Jordan at Scythopolis, where there was a bridge, and to have descended along the bank of Jordan in Peræa, until He crossed again near Jericho' (Wetstein).

14. Unto the priests] The Jews probably went to Jerusalem, because of the necessary sacrifices; the Samaritan to Mt. Gerizim, unless we are to suppose that he became a Jewish proselyte. As they went] The healing was delayed to test their faith.

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I have learned – I shall never unlearn – lessons that, after all, our sole power lies in the true, simple, sincere, setting forth the living Christ, and I have abjured, forevermore, all the rubbish of "intellectual preaching." I would rather serve out slops for people to live upon than lumps of stone cut into the form of loaves. – Alexander Maclaren (1826-1910)

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