

Lift High Our Banner

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Introduction

1. Psalm 60:4
2. A banner is a flag, standard carried at the head of a military band or body, a rallying point or to indicate the line of march Numbers 2:2.
3. It can also show on which side a person belongs
4. It can be used to signal to others
5. We have been given a banner, flag, or signal, let us notice somethings about our banner.

II Discussion

1. What is our banner?
 - a. It is Christ Isaiah 11:10
 - i. An ensign means a flag flown as a symbol or nationality
 - ii. Hebrews 12:1-2
 - b. We are to preach Christ 2 Corinthians 4:5
 - c. We want to lift Him up so that all men may be drawn to Him John 6:44, 12:32
2. By whom was this banner given?
 - a. The text says, "thou" which is God
 - b. He has given us His one John 3:13; Galatians 4:4
3. To whom was the banner given?
 - a. The text says to those who fear Him
 - b. Ecclesiastes 12:13
 - c. Not just anybody (the drunkard, adultery or worldly minded person, denominations)
4. There are many ways to unfurl this banner
 - a. By word of mouth Psalm 107:2
 - b. By manner of life Ephesians 4:1; 2 Corinthians 6:17
5. For what purpose was this banner given
 - a. The text says that it may be displayed because of truth John 17:17
 - b. To use the banner it must be taken out of its case 2 Timothy 2:15
 - c. We must use this banner if we want salvation from our sins John 8:32; Acts 2:38; Luke 24:46-47
 - d. If we want others to have salvation we must tell them Matthew 28:19-20; 2 Timothy 2:2
6. The results of lifting up our banner
 - a. We will let others know the balm for their ills Jeremiah 8:22
 - b. It will let the devil know on what side we are on James 4:7
 - c. It will help the faint hearted overcome Isaiah 40:29-31

III Conclusion

1. Have we a banner to carry?
2. If we have a banner then let us display it!

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