



# The Mission Trail

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"LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST." — JOHN 4:35

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## "Thou Art Mine"

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. . . It is a real pleasure to be coming to all the listeners with this short gospel message. The Lord has been good to us, and we want to tell His power to save and keep from sin. Should you be one of those who are now hearing the broadcast for the first time, I would like for you to know that we print and mail these messages weekly. You can have them sent to you and read right there in your own home without cost or obligation to you. We endeavor to do this work for the Lord without putting a price on it. We trust the Lord to supply the means and keep the message going forth on the air and also in print. We look to the Lord that He will speak to the ones who are willing to help us share the cost of this endeavor. If you get a blessing from the message, we would be happy to hear from you this week, or if we may be of help to you, be sure to let us know. Address your correspondence to THE MISSION TRAIL, Guthrie, Oklahoma. This is Willie Murphey speaking.

In recent weeks we have had messages concerning the trial of your faith. In fact, we pointed out the example of Job and how God tried his faith yet he remained faithful to the Lord. The correspondence of those who have written us recently indicate that these scriptures have proved a blessing to them. I believe this is true because they have been experiencing trials, and they have felt the need of the sustaining hand of God either through affliction or a spiritual battle.

So listen to the reading of this scripture from Isaiah, chapter 43 and verses 1 and 2. "But now thus saith the Lord that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee."

To me this scripture is a blessing. Just to think that I belong to God and

He is mine--that thought within itself is sustaining and comforting in the time of trial.

First, I belong to God by reason of creation. Some may believe otherwise, but as for me, I accept the teaching of the word which says, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." Not only did He create them, but the Word also tells us that He formed man out of the dust of the earth and breathed into his nostrils, and he became a living soul. Therefore, I belong to him by virtue of His creation. Secondly, I belong to Him because of the redemp-

