

Thursday 28th October 2021

*Jer.3,23: "Surely in the LORD our God is the salvation of Israel."*

*Mt.15,35-36: "Jesus told the crowd to sit down on the ground. Then he took the seven loaves and the fish, and when he had given thanks, he broke them and gave them to the disciples, and they in turn to the people."*

Oh that we could believe and confess with all the strength of our heart that God is the salvation of His people. Love would be that soil in which fear and despair could no longer take root. Instead, hope and courage would, and endurance in suffering and perseverance in doing good.

The heart, however, struggles. 'How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken', Jesus had to say to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus who had hoped Jesus was God's salvation but had lost that faith when they saw evil, sin and death prevail against him.

In the power of his resurrection Jesus then made them see that he had overcome and had done so in fulfilment of God's Word: that he is LORD and the salvation of his people.

Let the struggling heart find strength in him!