

Because of Jesus, You Already Have it All

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Dear Friend and Partner,

Ephesians 1:3: **Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:**

Luke 15:31: **And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.**

When you and I received Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior (Ro.10,9,10), we came in to the family of God and we inherited the New Covenant (Heb. 8:6). All of us, as God's children through Jesus Christ being our Lord, need to know that God has given us everything He has. So we're not waiting until we get to heaven to receive anything from God. We're to receive and enjoy **everything** that Jesus *bought, paid for* and gave to us.

- First of all, we're the righteousness of God in Christ. **Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.** 2 Corinthians 5:17 We are righteous now, meaning *presently, in this life*. Because of what Jesus did for us, we are in right standing with God. This isn't anything we have earned by our conduct; it's a free gift. **For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)** Romans 5:17
- Next, we need to realize that we are justified. God and Jesus treat us as though we've never sinned. **Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.** Romans 5:1,9

2 Corinthians 5:17-21: **Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.**

Verse 19 in the Amplified version says, **It was God [personally present] in Christ, reconciling and restoring the world to favor with Himself, not counting up and holding against [men] their trespasses [but cancelling them], and committing to us the message of reconciliation (of the restoration to favor).**

We should never try to earn any blessing from God. We don't do anything to try to get blessed. All God wants us to do is receive all He's given and provided for us in and through Christ Jesus. Knowing this will take the struggle and bondage out of Christianity. For example, we've all received an email or letter at one time or another from some dear person who told us if we resend it to ten other people, we'll get a special blessing today. The implication is that if we don't do what the email/letter says to do, something bad could happen. If we don't have our mind renewed to God's Word and who we are in Christ Jesus, we'll have the tendency to worry that if we don't respond the way the email/letter told us to, something bad will happen, and/or we will miss out on the blessing.

When something like this occurs, you want to remind yourself of what God's promises say about you, and start laughing at Satan, (Ps. 37:13, Ps. 52:6, Ps. 59:8) and say, "*Satan, you're a liar (Jn 8:44). I'm already blessed.*" Satan has no power. Jesus defeated him and spoiled him. **Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:** 1 Corinthians 2:6

Colossians 2:14,15: **Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.**

All Satan has is a mouth. He comes as a roaring lion to bring fear, doubt, and unbelief, but he has been

paralyzed by Jesus Christ. So, when those feelings of fear, doubt and condemnation come, a believer is to rise to the occasion and resist the thought in Jesus' Name. **Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.** James 4:7 (Also read 2 Corinthians 10:4,5).

Here are some of the benefits that Jesus gave us:

- Jesus gave us His Name, and faith in the Name of Jesus will do everything that Jesus Himself did when He was here physically. He told us in Mark 16:17: **And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues**

Philippians 2:9-11: **Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

- Jesus took our poverty so we could be financially rich in this life. God doesn't want anyone lacking financially. Jesus said in John 10:10: **...I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.**

2 Corinthians 8:9: **For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.**

3 John 2: **Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.**

- God doesn't want you sick because Jesus took our sicknesses and diseases. Matthew 8:17: **That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.**

1 Peter 2:24: **Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.**

- Jesus redeemed us from the curse: **Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.** Galatians 3:13,14, 29 Jesus redeemed us from sickness, disease, poverty, sin, spiritual death, and all the curse. Therefore, no one can put a curse on us. Not only are we blessed of God, and no one can curse us, but we've been redeemed from the curse.
- We never have to be afraid. **Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.** 1 John 4:4

These are not all of the blessings, but just some of the many blessings that belong to you because of what Jesus did for you! Use these verses to retrain your way of thinking. If you've received Jesus as your Lord, you're God's child, and all these blessings belong to you. God wants you to believe them, accept them, receive them and enjoy them! Thank God every day for what His Word says about you!

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