**A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS: THE WEALTH AND WALK OF A BELIEVER**

*“Our Inheritance-Part 2”*

*Ephesians 1:11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:*

**REVIEW:**

* **THE PROMISE OF OUR INHERITANCE**

*Ephesians 1:11 In whom also we* ***have obtained an inheritance****, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:*

*1 Peter 1:4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,*

*“incorruptible” –free from decay*

*“undefiled” – free from blemish; free from the stain of sin*

*“fadeth not away” – lasting; eternal*

*“reserved in heaven” – secure*

* **THE PARTICULARS OF OUR INHERITANCE**
* **Our Future Inheritance**
* A home He has prepared. (Jn. 14:1-3; Rev. 21-22)
* A glorified body. (Phil. 3:20-21)

*Philippians 3:20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:*

*21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.*

* The Lord Himself. (Deut. 18:2; Ps. 16:5; Ps. 27:4)

**TODAY:**

* **Our Current Inheritance**

*2 Peter 1:3 According as his divine power hath* ***given unto us*** *all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:*

* I have His **peace**. (Jn. 14:27)

*John 14:27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.*

* I have His **joy**. (Jn. 15:11)

*John 15:11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.*

* I have His **love**. (I Jn. 3:1)

*1 John 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.*

* I have His **Word**. (II Peter 1:4)

*2 Peter 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:*

*4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.*

* I have His **Spirit**. (Eph. 1:13-14)
* I have all my current **needs** being met. (Mt. 6:25-34)

**God has given to me and provided for me everything I need for my current contentment and happiness!**

* **THE PARTAKING OF OUR INHERITANCE**
* **It requires faith(Rom. 4:20-21)**

*Romans 4:20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;*

*21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.*

* **It requires obedience (Heb. 11:8)**

*Hebrews 11:8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.*

* **It requires courage (Joshua 1:6-7)**

*Joshua 1:6 Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.*

*7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.*

* **THE PURPOSE OF OUR INHERITANCE**

 *Ephesians 1:12 That we should be to the* ***praise of his glory****, who first trusted in Christ.*

**“glory” –** the **honor** resulting from a good opinion or **reputation**; the due acknowledgement of commendable attributes;

***God desires for us to give Him glory by both praising and displaying the infinite beauty and greatness of His manifold perfections.***