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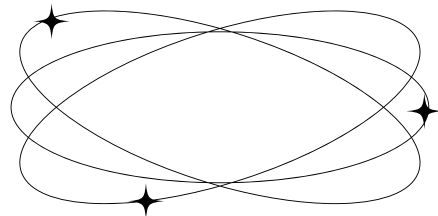
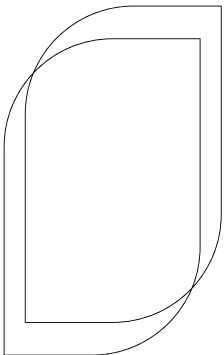
Haven Of Truth
Weekly Devotional

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Introduction

In a world filled with challenges, uncertainties, and the complexities of life, it is easy to lose sight of our true identity and purpose. We often find ourselves seeking meaning, searching for answers, and longing for a sense of belonging. But, my dear friends, I want to remind you today that amidst the chaos and confusion, there is a profound message of hope, love, and redemption waiting for you.

In the following words, we will explore seven powerful and life-transforming truths that reveal who you truly are. These truths are not just comforting words but profound revelations that can change the course of your life. So, embrace the journey ahead as we delve into these life-changing titles, each holding a unique promise for your soul: "You Are Chosen," "You Are Saved," "You Are Forgiven," "You Are Washed & Cleansed By The Blood of Jesus Christ," "You Are Justified," "You Are Redeemed By The Blood Of Jesus," and "You Are Born Of God." Together, let us uncover the profound significance of these truths and their impact on your life.

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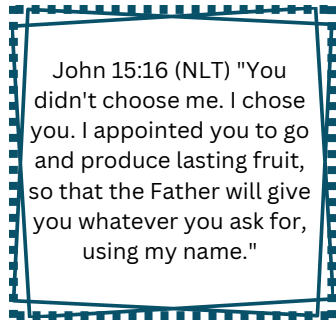
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Sunday 28th, January 2024

You Are Chosen



In this verse, Jesus is speaking to his disciples, emphasizing that it was not they who chose Him, but rather, He chose them. He appointed them for a specific purpose: to bear lasting fruit. This means that as believers, we are chosen and commissioned by Jesus to fulfill a divine purpose.

Imagine a fruit tree in a garden. Just as a gardener carefully selects and plants the tree, Jesus chooses and plants us as believers. The tree's purpose is to bear fruit, and our purpose as chosen ones is to produce spiritual fruit through our lives, such as love, kindness, and spreading the message of Christ.

Lessons to Learn:

1. **Divine Election:** We should understand that our faith journey begins with God choosing us, not the other way around. This highlights God's sovereignty in salvation.
2. **Purposeful Living:** We are appointed for a purpose - to produce lasting fruit. This means living a life that reflects Christ in all we do, making an eternal impact.
3. **Prayer and Authority:** We are given the privilege to ask in Jesus' name, and the Father will grant our requests when aligned with His will. This shows the power of prayer and our responsibility to use it wisely.

Our Role as Believers:

Our role is to abide in Christ (John 15:5), obey His commandments (John 14:15), and bear fruit through our actions, relationships, and witness for Him. We are to bring glory to God by living out our faith.

Further Scripture References:

- John 15:5 -
- Ephesians 1:4-5

Prayer of Faith:

Heavenly Father, thank you for choosing me and appointing me for a purpose. Help me to abide in Christ, produce lasting fruit, and walk in obedience to Your will. Grant me wisdom in my prayers, knowing that You hear and answer according to Your perfect plan. In Jesus' name, amen.

Monday 29th, January 2024

You Are Saved

Ephesians 2:8 (NLT) "God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God."

Ephesians 2:8 is a powerful verse that encapsulates the essence of Christian salvation and our relationship with God. This verse emphasizes several key points:

1. **Salvation by Grace:** It declares that our salvation is not achieved through our own efforts or merits but is entirely a result of God's grace. Grace is the unmerited favor and love that God bestows upon us, allowing us to be reconciled with Him.
2. **Conditional on Faith:** The verse emphasizes the importance of faith. God's saving grace is received through faith in Jesus Christ. Belief in Him is the doorway to salvation.
3. **No Boasting:** Paul, the author of Ephesians, makes it clear that we cannot boast about our salvation. It is not something we earned or accomplished; rather, it is a divine gift. This keeps us humble, recognizing our total dependence on God's goodness.

Imagine a drowning person in a vast and turbulent sea. They are helpless and unable to save themselves. Suddenly, a rescuer arrives and extends a lifeline to them. The drowning person can do nothing but grasp that lifeline in faith. In this scenario, the drowning person represents humanity, the turbulent sea symbolizes the challenges and sins of life, and the rescuer signifies Jesus Christ. Our faith in Him is our lifeline to salvation.

Lessons to Learn:

1. **Humility:** Ephesians 2:8 teaches us humility, reminding us that salvation is a gift from God. We should never boast or think we are superior because of our faith.
2. **Faith is Essential:** Faith is the key to accessing God's grace and salvation. We must believe in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior to receive the gift of eternal life.
3. **Gratitude:** Understanding the undeserved nature of God's grace should fill us with gratitude and a desire to live a life that pleases Him.

Our Role as Believers:

1. Believe in Him: Our faith in Jesus Christ is the first step toward salvation.
2. Live a Transformed Life: Salvation should result in a transformed life. We are called to live according to God's will, striving to be more Christlike in our thoughts, words, and actions.
3. Share the Good News: We should not keep this gift to ourselves. As believers, we are called to share the message of salvation with others, so they too can experience God's grace.

Further Scripture References:

- John 3:16
- Romans 10:9
- Titus 3:5

Prayer of Faith:

"Dear Heavenly Father, I thank you for your amazing grace and the gift of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. I acknowledge that I can't save myself and that my salvation is entirely by your grace. I believe in Jesus as my Lord and Savior, and I humbly receive your gift of eternal life. Help me to live a life that glorifies you and to share this incredible gift with others. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen."

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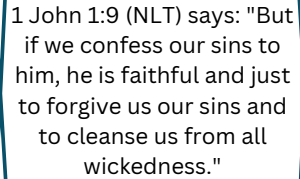
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Tuesday 30th, January 2024

You Are Forgiven



1 John 1:9 (NLT) says: "But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness."

This verse from the New Living Translation (NLT) of the Bible encapsulates a profound message of forgiveness and restoration through faith in Jesus Christ. It underscores several key aspects:

1. Confession of Sins: To experience God's forgiveness, believers are encouraged to openly acknowledge their sins and shortcomings before Him. Confession is the first step towards reconciliation with God.
2. God's Faithfulness: The verse affirms that God is faithful and just. He keeps His promises and is righteous in all His ways. When we come to Him in repentance, He responds with forgiveness.
3. Forgiveness and Cleansing: Through Christ's sacrifice on the cross, God not only forgives our sins but also purifies us from all unrighteousness. This cleansing process signifies a fresh start and a renewed relationship with God.

Imagine a person who has been carrying a heavy burden of guilt and shame due to their past mistakes. They feel distant from God and overwhelmed by their sins. However, when they humble themselves and confess their sins sincerely, they experience the liberating power of God's forgiveness. The weight of guilt is lifted, and they are filled with peace and joy, knowing they are reconciled with their Heavenly Father.

Lessons to Learn:

1. Humility: We must humble ourselves and acknowledge our sins, recognizing our need for God's forgiveness.
2. Faith in God's Character: We should have faith in God's faithfulness and righteousness. He forgives us not because we deserve it but because He is just and loving.
3. Renewal: God not only forgives but also cleanses us, providing an opportunity for a fresh start and transformation.
4. Ongoing Confession: Confession of sins is not a one-time event; it is a continuous process of maintaining a close relationship with God.

Our Role as Believers:

- Humbly confess our sins to God, with genuine repentance.
- Trust in God's promise of forgiveness and cleansing through Jesus.
- Continuously seek to live in obedience to God's commandments.
- Extend forgiveness to others as we have been forgiven (Matthew 6:14-15).

Further Scripture References:

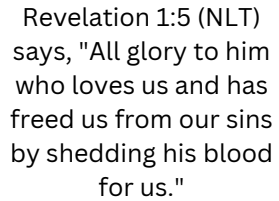
1. Matthew 6:14-15 (NLT): "If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins."
2. Psalm 32:5 (NLT): "Finally, I confessed all my sins to you and stopped trying to hide my guilt. I said to myself, 'I will confess my rebellion to the Lord.' And you forgave me! All my guilt is gone."
3. Isaiah 1:18 (NLT): "Come now, let's settle this," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, I will make them as white as wool."

Prayer of Faith:

"Dear Heavenly Father, I come before you with a repentant heart, confessing my sins and shortcomings. I trust in your faithfulness and righteousness to forgive me and cleanse me from all unrighteousness, through the sacrifice of your Son, Jesus Christ. Help me walk in obedience and extend the same forgiveness to others that you have granted me. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

Wednesday 31st, January 2024

You Are Washed & Cleansed by the Blood of Jesus Christ



Revelation 1:5 (NLT)
says, "All glory to him
who loves us and has
freed us from our sins
by shedding his blood
for us."

*This verse from the book of Revelation is a powerful reminder of the central theme of Christianity—the redemptive work of Jesus Christ through His sacrificial death on the cross. It emphasizes three crucial aspects:

1. **Love:** It begins by acknowledging the boundless love of Jesus Christ for us. His love is not limited or conditional; it's a selfless, divine love that drove Him to sacrifice Himself for humanity.
2. **Freedom from Sin:** The verse continues to highlight that Jesus has freed us from our sins. Sin separates us from God and leads to spiritual death. Through His death on the cross, Jesus paid the penalty for our sins, making it possible for us to be reconciled with God and experience spiritual freedom.
3. **Blood Shed for Us:** The shedding of Jesus' blood is a reference to His atoning sacrifice. In the Old Testament, the blood of animals was used for the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' blood, however, is the perfect and once-for-all sacrifice that cleanses us from sin and brings us into a new covenant with God.

Imagine a person trapped in a dark, filthy dungeon of sin, with no hope of escape. But then, Jesus enters that dungeon and offers His hand. His love for this person is so great that He willingly sacrifices Himself, shedding His own blood to break the chains of sin and set them free. Through His sacrifice, that person is not only freed from the dungeon but is also washed clean, made pure and holy in the sight of God.

Lessons to Learn:

1. **Gratitude:** This verse should fill us with profound gratitude for what Jesus has done for us. His love and sacrifice are beyond measure, and we should continually thank Him for our salvation.
2. **Holiness:** The cleansing power of Jesus' blood should motivate us to pursue a life of holiness. As believers, we are called to live in a way that reflects the purity and righteousness that Christ has imparted to us.

3. Sharing the Gospel: We should recognize our role as believers in sharing the message of Christ's love and redemption with others. Just as we have been washed and cleansed, we have a responsibility to share this message of hope with those who are still in darkness.

Further Scripture References:

- Ephesians 1:7
- 1 Peter 1:18-19

Prayer of Faith:

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the immeasurable love demonstrated through the shedding of Jesus' blood for our redemption. We rejoice in the freedom from sin that His sacrifice has granted us. Help us, Lord, to live in holiness and to passionately share this message of salvation with others. In Jesus' name, we pray, believing and trusting in the power of His precious blood. Amen.

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PAID IT ALL

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Shame & Regret	PAID
Lies & Deceit	PAID
Immorality	PAID
Unbelief & Doubt	PAID
Pride & Envy	PAID
Anger & Hate	PAID

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Do you want to be free from sin and its consequences? Turn to Jesus and accept the payment He has made on your behalf!

ACCEPT HIS PAYMENT

Jesus paid the debt of sin when He died on the cross. God then raised Him back to life, proving His victory over sin and death.

When you realize the weight of your sin and the hopelessness of paying its debt, turn to God! Put your trust in what Jesus did for you. His full payment will be applied to your account, and all of your sins will be forgiven!

PAID "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." *Romans 6:23*

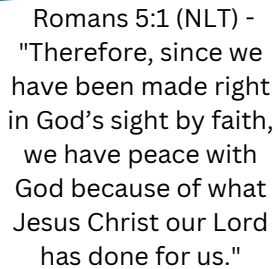
"Christ also suffered once for sins ... **PAID** that He might bring us to God." *1 Peter 3:18*

PAID Jesus said: "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." *John 14:6*

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Thursday 1st, February 2024

You Are Justified By Faith



Romans 5:1 (NLT) -
"Therefore, since we
have been made right
in God's sight by faith,
we have peace with
God because of what
Jesus Christ our Lord
has done for us."

*Romans 5:1 is a powerful verse that highlights a fundamental aspect of Christian theology: justification by faith. Let's break it down step by step:

1. "Therefore": This word connects Romans 5:1 to the preceding chapters where Paul discusses humanity's sinfulness, God's righteousness, and the role of faith in salvation. Paul builds a logical argument, culminating in this verse.

2. "Since we have been made right in God's sight": Justification is the act of God declaring a sinner righteous because of their faith in Jesus Christ. It is not based on our works or merit but solely on God's grace.

3. "By faith": Justification comes through faith in Jesus Christ. It's not earned; it's received as a gift through trust and belief in Him.

4. "We have peace with God": Before justification, we were enemies of God due to our sin. Through faith in Christ, we are reconciled to God, and we experience inner peace, reconciliation, and harmony with Him.

5. "Because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us": Our justification is made possible through the finished work of Jesus on the cross. He paid the penalty for our sins, allowing God to declare us righteous.

Imagine a courtroom where you stand accused of countless sins. The evidence against you is overwhelming, and the penalty is eternal separation from God. However, Jesus steps in as your advocate, paying the penalty for your sins. Through faith in Him, the judge declares you "not guilty" and ushers in a sense of peace and reconciliation with God.

Lessons to Learn:

1. Faith is the key: Our righteousness and peace with God come solely through faith in Jesus Christ, not through our own efforts or deeds.
2. Grace and Gift: Justification is a gift from God, made possible by His grace, not something we can earn. It humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on Him.
3. Peace in Christ: Believers can experience true inner peace and reconciliation with God through Christ, even amidst life's challenges.

Our Role as Believers:

1. Have faith: Continually trust in Jesus as our Savior and Lord.
2. Share the Good News: Share the message of justification by faith with others, so they too can experience peace with God.
3. Walk in Righteousness: Live a life that reflects our new status as justified before God, growing in holiness and obedience.

Further Scripture References:

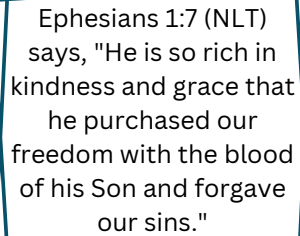
- Romans 3:22-24
- Ephesians 2:8-9
- Romans 8:1
- Colossians 1:19-22

A Prayer of Faith:

"Dear Heavenly Father, I thank You for the gift of justification through faith in Jesus Christ. I acknowledge my dependence on Your grace and the peace that comes from being made right in Your sight. Help me to walk in righteousness and share this wonderful truth with others. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen."

Friday 2nd, February 2024

You Are Redeemed By The Blood Of Jesus



Ephesians 1:7 (NLT)
says, "He is so rich in
kindness and grace that
he purchased our
freedom with the blood
of his Son and forgave
our sins."

This verse from the book of Ephesians emphasizes the profound and transformative significance of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. It highlights several crucial aspects of our faith:

1. **Redemption through the Blood of Jesus:** The verse begins by highlighting God's abundant kindness and grace. God's love for humanity is so great that He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to pay the price for our sins through His shed blood on the cross. This act of atonement is the foundation of our redemption.

2. **Freedom from Sin:** Through Jesus' sacrifice, we are set free from the bondage and consequences of sin. Our sins are forgiven, and we are reconciled with God. This freedom is not earned but received as a gift of God's grace.

Imagine a person who has accumulated an insurmountable debt, and they are on the verge of losing everything they have. However, a generous benefactor steps in, pays off the entire debt, and sets them free from financial ruin. In the same way, Jesus' sacrifice on the cross pays the debt of our sins, liberating us from the spiritual consequences of our wrongdoing.

Lessons to Learn:

1. **God's Unfathomable Love:** Ephesians 1:7 underscores the depth of God's love for us. We should never underestimate the immeasurable kindness and grace He extends to His children.

2. **Freedom from Sin:** We must acknowledge our need for a Savior and accept Jesus' sacrifice as the means to gain freedom from the bondage of sin.

Further Scripture References to Study:

- Romans 3:23-24,
- Colossians 1:14 (NLT)
- 1 Peter 1:18-19

Prayer of Faith:

"Dear Heavenly Father, I thank You for the immeasurable kindness and grace You have shown by redeeming me through the precious blood of Jesus. I acknowledge my need for a Savior and accept the forgiveness and freedom offered through His sacrifice. Help me live a life that reflects Your love and grace, and enable me to share the message of redemption with others. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen."

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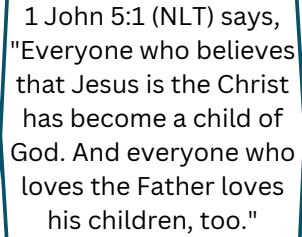
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You Are Born Of God



1 John 5:1 (NLT) says,
"Everyone who believes
that Jesus is the Christ
has become a child of
God. And everyone who
loves the Father loves
his children, too."

In this verse, the apostle John is highlighting a fundamental truth of the Christian faith - that those who believe in Jesus Christ are not only saved and forgiven but also born of God. This means that when you accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior, you are spiritually reborn as a child of God. This new birth is not of human will or effort but is a divine transformation that occurs through faith in Christ.

Imagine a caterpillar transforming into a butterfly. Just as the caterpillar undergoes a profound metamorphosis to become a beautiful butterfly, when you believe in Jesus, you undergo a spiritual transformation, becoming a child of God. Your old self, marked by sin and separation from God, is replaced with a new identity in Christ.

Lessons to Learn:

1. Identity in Christ: This verse reminds us of our identity as children of God. We are no longer slaves to sin but heirs of God's promises.
2. Love and Unity: Believers are called to love not only God but also fellow believers as part of God's family. This emphasizes the importance of love and unity within the body of Christ.

Our Role as Believers:

- Embrace our identity as children of God and live according to His will.
- Demonstrate love and unity within the Christian community.
- Share the message of salvation through faith in Jesus with others.

Further Scripture References to Study:

- John 1:12 (NIV)
- Romans 8:16 (NIV)
- Galatians 3:26 (NIV)

Prayer of Faith:

"Lord, I thank You for the incredible privilege of being born of God through faith in Jesus Christ. Help me to live out my identity as Your child, to love and care for my fellow believers, and to share the message of salvation with those who have yet to believe. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen."



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