### Spiritual Blessings We Have in Christ

James 1:17, says, "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning."

God is the giver of everything that is good. As I was digging through the scriptures, I found that there are at least 50 blessings that we have in Christ. These blessings can be divided into two groups. We have temporal blessings and we have blessings that are eternal.

# I. In Christ, WE HAVE HELP FOR DAILY LIVING:

Heb 4:16, "Therefore let us come **boldly** to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

Heb 13:6, "The LORD is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

Psalm 50:15, "Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me."

Psalm 54:4, "Behold God is my helper, the Lord is the one who sustains me."

# **II.** In Christ, WE HAVE PROVISION FOR OUR NEEDS:

In Matt 6:25 Jesus said, "Don't worry about your life. Don't worry about food and clothing because God knows your needs."

God will provide when it comes to giving. 11 Cor 9:6-8 says, "God loves a cheerful giver and God is able to bless you abundantly."

# **III. In Christ, WE HAVE CONFIDENCE:**

The greatest fear people have is death but because of Jesus, God has taken the fear out of dying.

1 John 4:16, "We have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have **boldness** in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world."

By walking with God, praying to God, worshipping God, obeying God, we can have boldness to meet Him.

# IV. In Christ, WE HAVE SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS THAT ARE ETERNAL:

As members of the body of Christ, not only do we have spiritual blessings in this life, but we will also have blessings far beyond this world.

Paul reminds us in Eph 1:3, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ."

We cannot see them with our physical eyes, but spiritually we see them through faith. From Ephesians chapter one, I want to briefly look at the blessings that are listed.

- **#1. "God chose us"** (verse 4).
- **#2.** God adopted us (Verse 5).
- **#3. In Christ we have redemption** (vs. 7).
- **#4. In Christ we have forgiveness** (Vs 7).
- **#5.** In Christ, we have an inheritance (Vs 11).
- **#6.** In Christ we are sealed with the Holy Spirit (vs. 13-14).

### Close: Lets conclude by reading one verse.

John 1:16, "From His fullness we have all received grace upon grace."

God has given us one blessing after another. We have blessings that are temporal. God gives us help for daily living and provides for our physical needs. Through Christ we can have confidence when life over. We also have blessings that are eternal.