

3-30-2025 Sunday Message

Devotional of the Week: Psalm 91:1-16

Text: Romans 8:14-18

Title: **The Inheritance of God's Heirs and Joint Heirs with Christ**

The Apostle Paul testifies that Christians who believe in Christ Jesus and are born again of the Holy Spirit, whose souls are saved, and become children of God, have become heirs of God the Father and joint-heirs with Christ the Son.

In other words, Saved Christians are heirs who can inherit all that God the Father owns, and at the same time, we are joint heirs with Him of all that the Father has given to His only begotten Son, Christ Jesus.

The children who realize this truth can rejoice for Christ in any weakness, insult, need, persecution, or hardship, just like the Apostle Paul, by believing in the glory that they will receive, no matter what kind of suffering they may suffer in this world. Through God's word, we want to understand what kind of inheritance we receive as heirs of God and joint-heirs with Christ.

Those who are saved by believing in Christ have inherited eternal life through the giving of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Christ, through which the inner man, the spirit within, is reborn, and the soul is saved. What else greater inheritance could there be?

Not only that, Christ Jesus appears from heaven and give the bodies of his children glorified bodies that are immortal and incorruptible like him:

"Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

⁵² In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

⁵³ For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

⁵⁴ So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the

saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory."**(1 Corinthians 15:51-54)**

Christians who are thus transformed will be raptured to heaven and rewarded with crowns at the judgment seat of Christ according to what they have done in the body.

To those who long for the rapture of Christ Jesus, God will give them a "crown of righteousness" (2 Timothy 4:8), "crown of rejoice" to those who preach the gospel to save souls, crown of life to those who have been faithful unto death, by giving them an "incorruptible crown" (1 Corinthians 9:25), and to faithful shepherds who set an example to their flocks, they will be given a "crown of glory that does not fail" (1 Peter 5:3-4). The crowns are the crowns of the royal priesthood, that is, the rulership that we will receive jointly with Christ.

The brides of Christ, children of God who inherit the crowns at the judgment seat of Christ, ascend to heaven and are finally married to Christ:

"Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.Among the king's court ladies were ... Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

⁸ And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

"(Ps 45:9, Rev 19:7-8)

After the marriage ceremony with Christ, the bride will become joint-heirs with Christ and enter the city of New Jerusalem, decorated with gold and precious stones, and begin their honeymoon life:

"And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."**(Revelation 21:2)**

Now, before we reign with Christ for a thousand years in the Millennial Kingdom, we will

judge all nations with Christ at the battle of Armageddon and judge the antichrist and the false prophet and cast them into the lake of fire:

"and the Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with thee. " (Zechariah 14:5)... And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

¹⁵ To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.(Jude 1:14-15)... And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone."(Rev. 19:20)."

After this final judgment, the brides of Christ will be in the Millennial Kingdom, which they will jointly inherit with Christ, as they have left minas on earth.
to reign with Christ:

"If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us: " (2 Timothy 2:12). Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities. . Be thou also over five cities. (Luke 19:17, 19)."

With the end of the Millennium Kingdom and the beginning of the eternal world, God will make the work of filling all things through His Son, Christ Jesus, with Christ and His bride, who are joint-heirs, forever and ever. Apostle Paul preached this to the Ephesian church members.

"Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

²¹ Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

²² And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

²³ Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all."(Ephesians 1: 20-23)

The planets in the universe today are as empty as the earth of old, and they are not ready to be filled with all things. After the millennium ends, God will cast both death and hell into the lake of fire (Rev 20:14). The Apostle Paul said, "The **last enemy that will be destroyed is death.**(1 Corinthians 15:16).

After death is abolished forever, all the people and creatures who will live in the heavens, on the earth, and in all the universe, will also live forever without seeing death. Now the Apostle Paul testified about it:

" For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

²⁰ For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,

²¹ Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

²² For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

²³ And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

²⁴ For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

²⁵ But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it."(Romans 8:19-25)

Amen! Hallelujah!