60 Grace Gifts Received At the Moment of Salvation

God in His grace has freely given at least 60 gifts to the believer at the moment of salvation. Grace is all that God is free to do for us based upon the merits of the Person and Finished Work of Jesus Christ on the Cross. Grace is the policy to bestow unmerited blessings upon mankind based upon the merits of the Person and Work of Jesus Christ on the Cross. The believer receives the grace gifts by exercising faith alone in Christ alone. These grace gifts are the result of the function of all of the divine attributes.

1. Fellowship with God

At the moment of salvation the believer has been called into fellowship with the Triune God.

1 Cor 1:9, “God is faithful, through whom you were called into fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.”

2 Cor 13:14, “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, is with you all.”

1 John 1:3, “Who, we have witnessed and we have heard, we also are proclaiming (from God) at this particular time for the benefit of all of you in order that all of you without exception might also continue to experience fellowship and this fellowship is as an eternal spiritual truth with the Father and with His Son, Jesus who is the Christ.”

Fellowship has 2 directions: (1) Vertical: Our communion and fellowship with the Lord through the Word, prayer, and the filling of the Holy Spirit, the abiding life. (2) Horizontal: Our communion and fellowship with the body of Christ, i.e. with other believers. The believer cannot experience fellowship with other believers unless he is first experiencing fellowship with God.

Our horizontal fellowship includes the following: (1) Assembling ourselves together: (a) Assembly of the whole body (Acts. 2:42; Heb. 10:25). (b) Assembling in smaller groups (2 Tim. 2:2). (c) Meeting together one on one (1 Thess. 5:11).

Christian Fellowship denotes the following concepts: (1) Relationship with Christ: We are all permanently united together by the common (eternal) life that we share as a result of regeneration and the Baptism of the Spirit (Acts 2:42; 1 C. 1:9; 1 Jn. 1:3). (2) Partnership: We are to work together for a common purpose to obtain common objectives for the glory of God and the gospel of Jesus Christ (cf. Phil 1:27; Phlp. 1:5; Gal. 2:9; Heb. 1:9). (3) Companionship: We are to communicate with one another and have fellowship with one another sharing with one another the things (viewpoint and thinking) of Christ (Acts. 2:42; Heb. 10:25; 2 Tim. 2:2; 1 Thess. 5:11; Rom. 1:11-12; 2 Tim. 2:2; 1 Thess 5:11; Philem. 6).
Stewardship: We must recognize that all we have belongs to the Lord and has been given to us as trusts from God to invest for His purposes. Believers need to be willing to share their material possessions for the promotion of the gospel and to help those in need. Good stewardship stems from recognizing our relationship to Jesus Christ, but it also means recognizing our partnership in Christ’s enterprise on earth. (Rom. 12:13; 15:27; Gal. 6:6; Phil. 4:15; Rom. 15:26; 2 Cor. 8:4; 9:13; Heb. 13:16; 1 Tim. 6:18).

2. Acknowledgment of Sin (Rebound) based on the merits of the Person and Work of Christ on the Cross for the Restoration to Fellowship

At the moment of salvation the believer has been given the provision of the merits of the Person and Work of Christ on the Cross in order to be restored to fellowship. The believer who acknowledges any known sin in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ who paid for our sins at the Cross will be restored to fellowship with God.

1 John 1:9, “If we acknowledge our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins with the result that He purifies us from all unrighteousness.”

3. Completed Canon of Scripture

At the moment of salvation, the believer in the Lord Jesus Christ is the recipient and beneficiary of the completed canon of Scripture, which is the mind and thinking of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of God teaches the believer how to live the spiritual life; it reproofs, corrects and trains us in the spiritual life.

2 Tim 3:16-17, “All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.”

2 Peter 1:20-21, “But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.”

4. Objects of Divine Love

We are objects of God eternal love, which He manifested to us when He sent His Son into the world to die for ours sins so that we might live with Him for eternity. The believer in the Lord Jesus Christ is the object of the immutable

The believer in the Lord Jesus Christ is the object of divine love because he possesses imputed divine righteousness, which makes the believer as holy as God. Imputed righteousness and eternal life enable the believer to enjoy and experience fellowship with God after salvation.

Rom 5:6-11, “For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath {of God} through Him. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

Rom 8:28-39, “And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified. What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things? Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies; who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? Just as it is written, "FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED." But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Eph 2:4-7, “But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up
with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.”

1 John 4:13-21, “By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. We have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and He in God. We have come to know and have believed the love, which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the Day of Judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love. We love, because He first loved us. If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also.”

5. Mandate to Love

At the moment of salvation the believer has been given them mandate to love God and his neighbor, both believers and unbelievers.

Rom 13:8-10, “Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law. For this, "YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY, YOU SHALL NOT MURDER, YOU SHALL NOT STEAL, YOU SHALL NOT COVET,“ and if there is any other commandment, it is summed up in this saying, "YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

“Love” is the noun *agape* (ἀγάπη) and in the New Testament it expresses a love that wills to initiate a relationship and show kindness and self-sacrifice toward an object regardless if the object is responsive or not, whether attractive or obnoxious, rather it is an expression of the nature and character of one who loves. The Christian who operates in the love of God expresses the character and nature of God.


The following is a list of why we should love one another: (1) We are God’s children (Eph. 5:1). (2) We are brethren (Rm. 15:14). (3) We are members of one another (1 Cor. 12:25). (4) We are taught by God to love one another (1 Thess. 4:9). (5) God loves us (1 John 4:7). (6) It is the expression and fulfillment of God’s will (Mt. 22:35-40). (7) We want to glorify Him (1 Pet. 4:10-11).

Obedience to the following prohibitions will enable us to fulfill the mandate to love one another as the Lord loved us: (1) Do Not Judge One Another (Rm. 14:13) (2) Do Not have Lawsuits With One Another (1 Cor. 6:7) (3) Do Not Bite and Devour One Another (Gal. 5:15) (4) Do Not Challenge and Envy One Another (Gal. 5:26) (5) Do Not Speak Evil or Complain Against One Another (Jam. 4:11; 5:9) (6) Do Not Seek Glory from One Another (Jn. 5:44).

Obedience to the following commands will enable us to fulfill the mandate to love one another as the Lord loved us: (1) Devoted to One Another (Rm. 12:10) (2) The Same Mind Toward One Another (Rm. 12:16) (3) Build One Another Up (Rm. 14:19) (4) Accept One Another (Rm. 15:7) (5) Wait For One Another (1 Cor. 11:33) (6) Tolerate One Another ( Eph. 4:2) (7) Kind, Tender-hearted and Forgiving to One Another ( Eph. 4:32) (8) Speak to One Another with Spiritual Songs ( Eph. 5:19) (9) Be Subject to One Another ( Eph. 5:21) (10) Regard One Another as More Important than Yourself (Phlp. 2:3) (11) Bear with One Another (Col. 3:13) (12) Comfort One Another (1 Thess. 4:18) (13) Encourage One Another (1 Thess. 5:11) (14) Stimulate One Another to the Performance of Divine Good (Heb. 10:24) (15) Pray for One Another (Jam. 5:16) (16) Hospitable to One Another (1 Pet. 4:9) (17) Serve One Another (1 Pet. 4:10) (18) Humble toward One Another (1 Pet. 5:5).

We have a responsibility to love one another according to John 15:12, 17. Loving and caring for one another is not an option for the Christian but rather it is a mandate and is solid proof of our love for the Lord and our fellowship with Him.

John 13:34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another."

John 15:12 This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you."

6. Mandate to Serve the Lord and the Body of Christ

At the moment of salvation, the believer has also been given the mandate to serve the Lord and the body of Christ.
The purpose for which the believer has been purchased out of the slave market sin is to serve the Lord and other members of His body and not self. The Lord Jesus Christ served us by redeeming us and by redeeming us, we as His purchased possession, have been given the opportunity and the privilege of serving Him who is now our Master. The believer must function according to the love of God in order for his Christian service to be acceptable to God.

Gal 5:13-14, “For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, ‘YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.’”

Christian service is directed toward both God and man with the former (serving God) acting as the motivation for the latter (serving man) (Eph. 6:5-9).

The Servant of the Lord, the Lord Jesus Christ is the perfect example of servanthood and the believer is to imitate His example of self-sacrifice in order to serve God.

Obedience to the will of God is essential in order to serve God (Col. 3:22-24). The slave who obeys his master’s will is serving his master.

The believer must possess a humble mental attitude and a servant’s mentality in order to serve God and this he acquires by learning and applying how the Lord Jesus Christ thinks which is revealed by the Holy Spirit through the Word of God (John 13:1-17).

Every believer has been given a spiritual gift at the moment of salvation, which is designed to serve the body of Christ (1 Pet. 4:10-19). The Church has been given the spiritual gift of pastor-teacher in order to provide believers the necessary divine power (Word of God) to operate in his spiritual gift (Eph. 4:12-16).

One of the Holy Spirit’s post-salvation ministries is to motivate the believer to serve and He motivates by means of the communication of the Word of God.

Philippians 2:12-13, “Therefore, my divinely loved ones, in the same manner that all of you have consistently obeyed, not only when in my presence, but now, much more in my absence, you yourselves continue executing your own spiritual life by means of respect (for God) and with trembling. Since God (the Holy Spirit) is the One producing in all of you not only the determination but also the (resultant) production for the attainment of the grace purpose (of God the Father in eternity past).”

Philippians 3:1-3, “From now on, my brothers, all of you begin rejoicing and continue doing so because of the Lord: writing these same things for all of you is in fact never bothersome for me but safe for all of you. Beware of those dogs, beware of those evil workers, beware of the mutilation because we are the circumcision, those who are serving (God the Father) by means of the
Spirit of God, who are priding themselves in the nature and doctrine of Christ Jesus, who have no confidence in the flesh.”

Since the believer is to express self-sacrificial love towards both God and man, consequently, service has 2 directions: (1) Vertical: As an expression of self-sacrificial love toward God (2) Horizontal: As an expression of sacrificial love toward man.

Service Directed Toward God:

Deut 10:12, “Now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require from you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and love Him, and to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.”

Matthew 23:10-12, “Neither be addressed leaders because Christ is your one Leader. In fact, the greatest among you shall be your servant and whoever will promote himself shall be humbled.”

The believer must never perform any work of service for men but rather he must perform his service to men as unto the Lord.

Col 3:17-24, “Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father. Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and do not be embittered against them. Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they will not lose heart. Slaves, in all things obey those who are your masters on earth, not with external service, as those who merely please men, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.

7. Eternal Life

At the moment of salvation, God the Holy Spirit creates a human spirit in the believer for the imputation of eternal life by God the Father. This enables the believer to experience fellowship with God since he now has the life of God, which has no beginning and no end. If you're going to live with God forever, you must have the life of God, which is eternal life. Eternal life is an attribute of God’s Essence.

John 3:15-16, "that whoever believes may in Him have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him (the Lord Jesus Christ) should not perish, but have eternal life."
1 John 5:11-13, "And the witness is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, in order that you may know that you have eternal life."

8. Imputed Righteousness

At the moment of salvation, God the Father imputes His righteousness to the believer as well as the Son’s righteousness.

Romans 3:22, "even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe."

1 Corinthians 1:30, "But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption."

2 Corinthians 5:21, "He (God the Father) made Him (the Lord Jesus Christ) who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."

9. Justification

We are now justified because of the righteousness, which God imputed to us at the moment we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Galatians 2:16, "Nevertheless, knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law, but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ, and not by the works of the Law; For by the works of the Law no person will be justified."

Justification is the judicial act of vindication that occurs at the moment of salvation when God the Judge sees His own perfect righteousness in us.

Romans 5:16, “In fact, the gift (Jesus Christ) is not like what occurred through the one who sinned (Adam); For on the one hand, the judicial verdict came by one transgression resulting in condemnation, but on the other hand, that gracious gift (Christ’s Incarnation and Atonement) because of the many transgressions resulting in a judicial act of justification.”

10. Reconciliation

Reconciliation is God’s peace treaty with the entire human race and is appropriated by making the non-meritorious decision to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation.
Reconciliation is the work of Jesus Christ on the cross that removes the barrier between God and man (2 Cor. 5:18; Eph. 2:16; Col. 1:20-21).

The Barrier (Eph. 2:14-16): (1) Mankind commits acts of sin (Isa. 64:6b; Rom. 3:23). (2) The penalty of sin is spiritual death (Rom. 5:12; 6:23a). (3) All are born spiritually dead at physical birth (Gen. 2:17; Rom. 5:12; Eph. 2:1). (4) Man’s relative righteousness cannot compare to God’s perfect righteousness (Isa. 64:6a; Rom. 9:30-33). (5) The character of God demands that our personal sins be judged (Isa. 46:9b; 64:6b; Rom. 8:8). (6) Man’s position in Adam as a result of the imputation of his sin (1 Cor. 15:22a).

The Removal of the Barrier: (1) Redemption resolves man’s problem with sin (1 Pet. 1:18-19; Eph. 1:7; Titus 2:14; 1 Tim. 2:6a). (2) The Unlimited Atonement also resolves man’s sin problem (1 John 2:2). (3) Expiation resolves man’s problem with the penalty of sin, which is spiritual death (Col. 2:14). (4) Regeneration resolves man’s problem with being born spiritually dead (John 3:1-18). (5) Imputation resulting in justification resolves the problem of man’s relative righteousness (1 Cor. 1:30; 2 Cor. 5:21; Rom. 4:1-5; Gal. 2:16). (6) Propitiation resolves man’s problem with the perfect character of God (Rom. 3:22-26; 1 John 2:2). (7) Our position in Christ resolves man’s position in Adam (1 Cor. 5:22b; 2 Cor. 5:17).

2 Corinthians 5:19, "Namely that God, by means of Christ, reconciled the world to Himself by not imputing their sins to them."

Romans 5:10, "For if, while we were enemies (spiritual death), we were reconciled to God by the (spiritual) death of His Son, much more now being reconciled, we shall be delivered by His life."

Colossians 1:20, "And through Him (the Lord Jesus Christ) to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood (metaphor for spiritual death) of the cross."

Colossians 1:22, "Yet He has now reconciled you in the body of His flesh through death (substitutionary spiritual death), in order to present you before Him holy, blameless, and beyond reproach."

11. Propitiation

We are also beneficiaries of Christ’s propitiatory sacrifice. Propitiation means that the work of the Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross satisfied the justice of God. Propitiation means “satisfaction.” God the Father is satisfied with the work of God the Son on the cross. He is satisfied with His perfect Person and His perfect payment for our sins on the cross.

Romans 3:24-25, "Being justified as a gift by His grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; whom God the Father displayed publicly
as a propitiation in His blood (substitutionary spiritual death) through faith. This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed (OT dispensations)."

1 John 2:2, "And He Himself (the Lord Jesus Christ) is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world."

1 John 4:10, "In this is love, not that we loved God (the Father), but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins."

12. Expiation

The believer at the moment of salvation is the beneficiary of an aspect of Christ’s work on the Cross called expiation.

Colossians 2:14, "HAVING CANCELLED OUT THE CERTIFICATE OF DEBT consisting of decrees against us and which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross."

"Having cancelled out" is the Greek verb *exaleipho* which means, "to wipe out, to erase, to blot out, obliterated." This verb is an intensified form of the verb *aleipho*, "to anoint, smear as with oil." The writer wishes to stress with his readers emphatically what the Lord Jesus Christ has done for us at the Cross; namely, the sins of the entire world have been completely obliterated by the Lord Jesus Christ’s spiritual death on the Cross.

Expiate means "to atone for," or "to make amends for an offense." Mankind could never repay his sin debt to God but the Lord Jesus Christ wiped that sin debt out with His death on the Cross.

13. Unlimited Atonement

Christ’s death on the cross was for *all* men without exception.

2 Corinthians 5:14-15, "For the love of Christ motivates us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; and HE DIED FOR ALL, that they who live (believe in Christ) should no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf."

1 Timothy 2:6, "Who gave Himself as a ransom FOR ALL, the testimony borne at the proper time."

1 Timothy 4:10, "For it for this we labor and strive, because we have fixed our hope on the living God, who is the Savior of ALL MEN, especially of believers."

Titus 2:11, "For the grace of God has appeared bringing salvation TO ALL MEN."
1 John 2:2, "And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the WHOLE WORLD."

14. Redemption

We are also should be thankful for the fact that we have been redeemed from the slave market of sin by our Lord’s death at Calvary.

The doctrine of redemption is defined as the saving work of Jesus Christ on the cross whereby all of humanity has been purchased out from the slave market of sin in which they were born spiritually dead and delivered to the freedom of grace. Redemption is the solution to mankind’s sin problem (Rom. 3:24; Eph. 1:7; Col. 1:14).

Eph 1:7, “In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace.”

While reconciliation is directed toward man and propitiation towards God, unlimited atonement and redemption are directed toward sin (Gal. 3:13; Eph. 1:7; Titus 2:14; 1 Pet. 1:18-19).

1 Peter 1:18-19, “knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.”

Redemption of the soul in salvation leads to redemption of the body in resurrection (Eph. 1:14)

Eph 1:14, “who (the Holy Spirit) is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory.”

Redemption of the body is the ultimate status of the royal family of God forever (Rom. 8:23; Eph. 4:30).

Eph 4:30, “Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.”

The soul of the believer is redeemed at salvation (Job 19:25-26).

15. Mediatorship of Christ

At the moment of salvation we appropriate the Mediatorship of the Lord Jesus Christ who as the God-Man is the Peacemaker or Mediator between God and man (Eph. 2:14-16; 1 Tim. 2:5).

1 Tim 2:5, “For there is one God, {and} one mediator also between God and men, {the} man Christ Jesus.”
16. Children of God

At the moment of salvation we become children of God and members of the royal family of God.

John 1:12-13, “But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.”

Rom 8:16-17, “The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him.”

1 John 3:1-2, “See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.”

17. Efficacious grace

Efficacious Grace is grace that God gives to those individuals who have made a non-meritorious decision to believe in Christ. Efficacious grace is God the Holy Spirit making our faith in Christ effective for salvation.

2 Corinthians 6:1-2, “And working together with Him, we also urge you not to receive the grace of God in vain— for He says, ‘At the acceptable time I listened to you, and on the day of salvation (the day that you believed in Christ) I (God the Holy Spirit) helped you,’ behold, now is ‘the acceptable time,’ behold, now is ‘the day of salvation.’”

Salvation only becomes a reality when God the Holy Spirit makes a person’s faith in Christ effective for salvation. There is only the potential for salvation in Common Grace. Salvation becomes a reality at Efficacious Grace.

So Efficacious Grace is when the omnipotence of God the Holy Spirit takes a spiritually dead person’s faith in Christ and makes it valid or effective for salvation.

18. Filling of the Spirit
Also at the moment salvation, the believer receives the command to be influenced by means of the Holy Spirit, which is accomplished by the believer by obeying the Word of God.

Ephesians 5:18, “And do not permit yourselves to get into the habit of being drunk with wine because that is non-sensical behavior, but rather permit yourselves on a habitual basis to be influenced by means of the Spirit.”

The filling of the Spirit is unique to the church age. It is the mental state of the believer who does not have any unacknowledged sins in the stream of consciousness and is applying the Word to his thought process. It is not an emotion. It is one of the seven salvation ministries of the Holy Spirit. At the moment of salvation every believer is filled with the Spirit, but he loses it through committing personal sin. It is recovered by acknowledging any known sin to the Father in the name or, the person of the Lord Jesus Christ (1 Jn. 1:9).

Every believer in the church age is commanded to permit the Holy Spirit to control and influence his soul (Eph. 5:18). The filling of the Spirit takes place in the soul of the believer when he allows God the Holy Spirit to control and influence his soul. It is a dynamic whereas the indwelling of the Spirit is static meaning it never changes. It is eternal. The filling of the Spirit is the operational power of God the Holy Spirit, which empowers the believer to execute the will of God the Father.

The filling of the Spirit enables the believer to be conformed to the image of the Lord Jesus Christ meaning to become like Him experientially in His death and resurrection. It enables the believer to become like Jesus Christ in thought, word and action or in other words, it gives the believer the ability to acquire the character of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is necessary for the believer to allow himself to be controlled by the Spirit in order that he may walk by the Spirit.

Walking by the Spirit is actively choosing to conduct oneself by means of the Spirit. The filling of the Spirit and walking by the Spirit are 2 sides of the same coin. You cannot walk by the Spirit unless you are filled with the Spirit.

The filling of the Spirit is directly related to the believer’s mental attitude whereas walking by the Spirit directly related to how the believer conducts himself. The filling of the Spirit is directly related to being a doer of the Word of God. The believer who is applying the Word of God is influenced by means of the Spirit.


At the moment of salvation, God the Holy Spirit puts His invisible stamp on the believer, which guarantees salvation.
1 Corinthians 1:21-22a, “Now he, who establishes us with you in Christ (Baptism of the Spirit) and anointed us (Indwelling of the Spirit), is God, who has also sealed us.”

The Sealing Ministry of God the Holy Spirit is a mark of Royalty. It signifies that we are members of the Royal Family of God. At the moment you believed in Jesus Christ, God the Holy Spirit put His signature guarantee on you. Just as Sunkist puts its stamp on its oranges, God the Holy Spirit puts His stamp on you.

The Greek word for "sealed" is sphagizo, which means, "to mark with a seal as a means of identification." In the ancient world, seals: (1) Guaranteed transactions (2) Indicated ownership (3) Authenticated invoices (4) Contracts (5) Laws (6) Orders.

God the Holy Spirit puts His mark on us at the moment of salvation. This mark not only denotes ownership but also carries with it the protection of the owner. God not only owns us at the moment of salvation, but He is our protection.

This Sealing ministry of God the Holy Spirit is important because it guarantees our salvation.

Ephesians 1:13, "In whom also, when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation (common grace); In whom also, when you believed (efficacious grace), you were sealed by means of the Holy Spirit."

2 Corinthians 1:22, "who also sealed us and gave us the Spirit in our hearts (right lobes) as the guarantee."

Ephesians 4:30, "And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption."

20.Regeneration

Regeneration takes place at the moment of salvation when the omnipotence of God the Holy Spirit creates a human spirit for the purpose of the imputation of eternal life by God the Father.

Titus 3:5, “He (God the Holy Spirit) saved us, not on the basis of deeds (human works) which we have done in (human power) righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit.”

21.Baptism of the Spirit

At the moment we believed in Jesus Christ, the omnipotence of God the Holy Spirit entered us into union with Jesus Christ forever.

The Greek verb for “to baptize” is the verb baptizo, which refers to “the act of identifying one thing with another resulting in a permanent change of condition.”
At the moment of salvation, the omnipotence of God the Holy Spirit identifies the believer with Christ in His death and resurrection, which results in a permanent change of condition for the believer.

1 Corinthians 12:13, "By means of one Spirit, we are all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greek (Gentiles), slaves or free, and we are all made to drink into one Spirit."

Galatians 3:26-27, "You are the Sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For all of you were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile; there is neither slave nor free; there is neither male nor female, and we are all one in Christ."

Ephesians 4:5, “One Lord, one faith, one baptism.”

Romans 6:3-5, “Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, in order that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection.”

22. Transferred from Position in Adam to our New Position in Christ

The baptism of the Spirit is the reason for the believer being transferred from his position in Adam to his new position in Christ. Adam was the representative "head" of the human race. We all come from Adam. When Adam sinned, we all sinned because of the imputation of Adam's original sin.

Rom 5:12, “Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned.”

Sin and spiritual death came upon the entire human race because Adam disobeyed God and ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (Rom. 5:17-19). Therefore, it says in 1 Corinthians 15:22a, “For as in Adam all die (spiritually).” Because of our position "in Adam" we were "excluded from the life of God" (Eph. 4:18).

We are born into this position through physical birth. We cannot have a relationship with God because of our position in Adam. Our position in Adam means condemnation and death. The moment we believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, God the Holy Spirit places us "in Christ." This is called the Baptism of the Spirit (1 Cor. 12:13).

The Baptism of the Spirit is when the omnipotence of God the Holy Spirit places us in union with Christ. We have a new relationship with God because of our position "in Christ." We are in union with Christ (1 Cor. 15:22b). Jesus Christ is called the last Adam in 1 Corinthians 15:45, and is the head of the new spiritual...
species. The new spiritual species are those believers who are in union with Christ (2 Cor. 5:17).

23. New Spiritual Species

We are created a new spiritual species at the moment of salvation. The church age dispensation in which we live in is the only dispensation where believers in Christ are created a new spiritual species, thus making us totally unique.

2 Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, He is a new spiritual species. The old things have lost their power (OSN); Behold, new things have come."

Rom 13:14, “But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts.”

Gal 3:27, “For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with the nature of Christ.”

Galatians 6:15, "For neither is circumcision anything, nor uncircumcision; But a new spiritual species."

Eph 4:24, “and clothe yourself with the new man (Christ nature), which in conformity with the nature of God has been created by means of righteousness and holiness from the truth.”

2 Peter 1:4, “For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.”

1 John 3:9, “No one who is born of God practices sin, because His seed abides in him; and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.”

The nature of Christ is perfectly holy and is the expression of God’s grace and is the manifestation of His holiness. The new Christ nature makes the believer positionally as holy as God and guarantees the believer a resurrection body in the imminent future and provides the believer the potential to experience the holiness of God in time.

The new Christ nature that indwells every believer is the holiness of God. The nature of Christ is perfectly holy just as Christ is. The new Christ nature provides the believer the capacity to experience the holiness of God in his life and Christ-likeness is the production or the result of having a lifestyle of living in the new Christ nature.

The new Christ nature functions when the believer is obedient to the voice of the Spirit, which is heard through the communication of the Word of God. Just as the humanity of Christ in hypostatic union perpetually obeyed the voice of the Spirit and was guided and directed by the Spirit as well as performing His miracles by means of the omnipotence of the Spirit so the new Christ nature, that is created...
in the image of Christ, obeys the voice of the Spirit and is guided and directed by the Spirit.

The old Adamic nature does not have the capacity to obey the Spirit, nor will it listen to the Spirit’s voice, i.e. the Word of God but only the new nature has the capacity. The believer sins because he *disobeys* the voice of the Spirit, which is heard through the Word of God and as a result lives in the old Adamic sin nature. The new Christ nature gives the believer the capacity to experience and enjoy fellowship with God.

The new Christ nature enables the believer to reflect the holiness or absolute perfection of God’s character. It is ultimately designed to reside in the resurrection body and not the physical body of the believer, which has inherent in it the old Adamic sin nature. The new Christ nature and resurrection body are designed for the eternal state where the believer will reside in the new heavens and the new earth and the New Jerusalem.


At the moment of salvation the believer becomes the beneficiary of God the Holy Spirit’s post-salvation ministry in which He reproduces the life and character of Christ in the believer, which called the “fruit of the Spirit.”

Remember what Paul said in Galatians 4:19, “My children, with whom I am again in labor until the character of Christ is formed in all of you.”

The fruit of the Spirit is the production of Christ-like character.

Gal 5:22-23, “But the fruit of the Spirit is divine-love, contentment, soul prosperity, patient-endurance, integrity, generosity, faithfulness, humility, discipline, against such things there is no law.”

Philippians 2:12-13, “Therefore, my divinely loved ones, in the same manner that all of you have consistently obeyed, not only when in my presence, but now, much more in my absence, you yourselves continue executing your own spiritual life by means of respect (for God) and with trembling. Since God (the Holy Spirit) is the one producing in all of you not only the determination but also the (resultant) production for the attainment of the grace purpose (of God the Father in eternity past).”

Fruit bearing talks about building Christ-like character.

Eph 5:9, “(for the fruit of the Light {consists} in all goodness and righteousness and truth).”

Phil 1:11, “having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which {comes} through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.”
Col 1:10, “so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please {Him} in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.”

Heb 12:11, “All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.”

James 3:18, “And the seed whose fruit is righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.”

25. Mentorship of the Holy Spirit

At the moment of salvation, the believer becomes the beneficiary of another post-salvation ministry of the Holy Spirit, which is His mentorship where the Holy Spirit teaches the believer the doctrines of Christ, guides the believer and doing the Father’s will and in worshipping the Father.

John 14:26, “But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.”

John 15:26, “When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me.”

John 16:13-15, “But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you.”

Philippians 3:2-3, “Beware of those dogs, beware of those evil workers, beware of the mutilation because we are the circumcision those who are serving (God the Father) by means of the Spirit of God, who are priding themselves in the nature of Christ Jesus, who have no confidence in the flesh.”


Another ministry of the Holy Spirit that the believer receives at the moment of salvation is the convicting ministry of the Holy Spirit where He convicts the believer of any known sin in His life for the purpose of restoring the believer to fellowship.

Philippians 3:15-16, “Therefore, as many as are mature, let us consistently think this. Nevertheless, if-and let us assume it is true for the sake of
argument anyone of you are thinking otherwise at the present time then God the Holy Spirit as a rule will reveal this for your benefit. In any case, having progressed this far, let us continue to live in agreement according to the same code of conduct.”

Rom 8:4-14, “so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. So then, brethren, we are under obligation, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh -- for if you are living according to the flesh, you must die; but if by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.”

1 Thessalonians 5:19, “Do not make it a habit of hindering the Spirit.”

Ephesians 4:30, “Do not make it a habit to grieve the Holy Spirit by means of whom all of you have been sealed for the day of redemption.”

27. Empowerment Ministry of the Holy Spirit

At the moment of salvation the believer becomes the beneficiary of yet another post-salvation ministry of the Holy Spirit, which is that the Holy Spirit empowers the believer in executing the Father’s will. The believer who applies the Word of God enables the Holy Spirit to empower the believer in overcoming his sin nature and to execute the Father’s will.

Philippians 2:12-13, “Therefore, my divinely loved ones, in the same manner that all of you have consistently obeyed, not only when in my presence, but now, much more in my absence, you yourselves continue executing your own spiritual life by means of respect (for God) and with trembling. Since God (the Holy Spirit) is the one producing in all of you not only the determination but also the (resultant) production for the attainment of the grace purpose (of God the Father in eternity past).”
Gal 5:16-26, “But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the
desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit
against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may
not do the things that you please. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not
under the Law. Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality,
impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of
anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, envying, drunkenness, carousing, and
things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that
those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the
fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Now those who
belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If
we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. Let us not become boastful,
challenging one another, envying one another.”

28. Ascension of Christ

At the moment of salvation, the believer becomes a beneficiary of Christ’s
ascension into heaven. Without the ascension of Christ, He would not be enthroned
at the right hand of the Father as victor in the angelic conflict.

Furthermore without the ascension, our Lord would not have received authority
to dispatch the Spirit on the Day of Pentecost and the communication of gifts
(apostles, prophets, evangelists and pastor-teachers) would not have been given to
the church. Nor would the believer be the beneficiary of Christ’s intercessory
ministry after salvation if it were not for our Lord’s ascension, nor would he be the
beneficiary of current positional truth, which states that the believer is seated
positionally with Christ at the right hand of the Father.

Eph 4:7-16, “But to each one of us grace was given according to the
measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it says, "WHEN HE ASCENDED ON
HIGH, HE LED CAPTIVE A HOST OF CAPTIVES, AND HE GAVE GIFTS
TO MEN." (Now this expression,"He ascended," what does it mean except
that He also had descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who
descended is Himself also He who ascended far above all the heavens, so that
He might fill all things.) And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets,
and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping
of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;
until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of
God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the
fullness of Christ. As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and
there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of
men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.”

Heb 4:14, “Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.”

Acts 1:1-11, “The first account I composed, Theophilus, about all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when He was taken up to heaven, after He had by the Holy Spirit given orders to the apostles whom He had chosen. To these He also presented Himself alive after His suffering, by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over a period of forty days and speaking of the things concerning the kingdom of God. Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, "Which," He said,"you heard of from Me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they were asking Him, saying, "Lord, is it at this time You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or epochs which the Father has fixed by His own authority; but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." And after He had said these things, He was lifted up while they were looking on, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And as they were gazing intently into the sky while He was going, behold, two men in white clothing stood beside them. They also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven.”

29. Session of Christ

The believer at the moment of salvation becomes the beneficiary of the present session of the Lord Jesus Christ at the Father’s right hand.

The fact that the Lord Jesus Christ controls history is directly related to His present session, which completes the process of promoting Him as sovereign ruler of history. The Lord Jesus Christ session at the right hand of the Father points to His kingship (Rev. 4:2). Our Lord acknowledged to Pilate at His 5th trial and 2nd civil trial that He was indeed a king but that His kingdom was not of this world (Jn. 18:33-37).
When our Lord arrived in heaven and was seated at the right hand of God the Father He received a new royal warrant, a 3rd royal title as the “King of kings and the Lord of lords” (1 Tim. 6:15; Rev. 19:16).

This title has been granted to Him by the Father indicating His rulership over the Church of which He is the Head. The Tribulation saints in heaven when singing the song of Moses proclaim our Lord as the “King of the nations” which He will assume at His 2nd Advent. The session of Christ is a public affirmation that our Lord is the victor in the angelic conflict (Heb. 1:13; 2:8).

Colossians 2:15 states that there was a triumphal procession by our Lord in heaven declaring Him publicly as Victor in the angelic conflict. Satan was publicly shown in heaven to be defeated when the humanity of Christ in hypostatic union sat down at the right hand of God the Father and was granted the power, rank and authority over the entire universe as ruler of the cosmos. An impeccable human being defeated the greatest angel ever created by the hand of God. The humanity of Christ was able to do so because He depended upon the divine omnipotence of the Word and the Spirit provided by God the Father. Satan lost because he chose to remain independent of God thus he was defeated. Although the humanity of Christ became inferior to Satan for a little while during the incarnation, our Lord still was able to defeat him and receive glory and honor as Victor in the angelic conflict (Heb. 2:9).

If it were not for our Lord’s session, the believer would not have received the gift of the Holy Spirit, nor would spiritual gifts be authorized be given by the Holy Spirit at salvation. If it were not for our Lord’s session, He would not be the beneficiaries of His controlling history, nor His intercessory prayer ministry at the Father’s right hand, nor would the believer be the beneficiary of current positional truth, which states that the believer is seated positionally with Christ at the Father’s right hand.

Luke 22:66-69, “When it was day, the Council of elders of the people assembled, both chief priests and scribes, and they led Him away to their council chamber, saying, If You are the Christ, tell us." But He said to them, "If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I ask a question, you will not answer. "But from now on THE SON OF MAN WILL BE SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND of the power OF GOD."

Col 3:1, “Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.”

Heb 1:3, “And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.”
Heb 10:12-13, “but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD, waiting from that time onward UNTIL HIS ENEMIES BE MADE A FOOTSTOOL FOR HIS FEET.”

Heb 12:2, “fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

30. Jesus Christ Controls History

Now, that the believer is the beneficiary of the present session of Christ at the right hand of the Father, the believer then becomes the beneficiary of the fact that the Lord Jesus Christ controls history as victor in the angelic conflict.

God wants us to have confidence and assurance that history is not a haphazard set of events but that through His Son Jesus Christ He has everything under control and is working out His eternal purpose that will ultimately glorify Him.

Ps 103:19-22, “The LORD has established His throne in the heavens, and His sovereignty rules over all. Bless the LORD, you His angels, mighty in strength, who perform His word, obeying the voice of His word! Bless the LORD, all you His hosts, you who serve Him, doing His will. Bless the LORD, all you works of His, in all places of His dominion; Bless the LORD, O my soul!”

Isa 66:1-2, “Thus says the LORD, ‘Heaven is My throne and the earth is My footstool. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest? For My hand made all these things, thus all these things came into being,” declares the LORD. But to this one I will look, to him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My word.”

The doctrine of Jesus Christ controlling history contends that the humanity of Christ in hypostatic union has been promoted by God the Father as sovereign ruler of history as a result of His victory over Satan at the Cross which was accomplished when in His humanity, Jesus Christ was obedient to the Father’s will by voluntarily dying a substitutionary spiritual death on the Cross for the entire world.

Philippians 2:5-11, “Everyone continue thinking this (according to humility) within yourselves, which was also in (the mind of) Christ Jesus, Who although existing from eternity past in the essence of God, He never regarded existing equally in essence with God an exploitable asset. On the contrary, He denied Himself of the independent function of His deity by having assumed the essence of a slave when He was born in the likeness of men. In fact, although He was discovered in outward appearance as a man, He humbled
Himself by having entered into obedience to the point of spiritual death even death on a Cross. For this very reason in fact God the Father has promoted Him to the highest-ranking position and has awarded to Him the rank, which is superior to every rank. In order that in the sphere of this rank possessed by Jesus every person must bow, celestials and terrestrials and sub-terrestrials. Also, every person must publicly acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord for the glory of God the Father.”

As a result of His voluntary substitutionary spiritual death on the cross, which defeated Satan, God the Father has promoted the humanity of Christ in hypostatic union to the highest-ranking position in the entire cosmos.

The resurrection, ascension, triumphal procession and session points to the fact that the incarnate Son of God has been promoted by God the Father as Sovereign Ruler over the following: (1) Creation (Matt. 28:18; Eph. 1:22; Col. 1:15-17; 2:10; 1 Pet. 3:22). (2) Angels (Col. 1:15-17; Heb. 1:2). (3) Church (1 Tim. 6:15; Rev. 17:14; 19:16). (4) Israel (Matt. 1:1; 20:30; Mark 10:47-48; Luke 1:32; 2 Tim. 2:8; Rev. 3:7; 5:5; 22:16).

Our Lord received His third royal title as “King of kings and Lord of lords, the bright morning star” which is a direct result of His execution of the Father’s Incarnation Plan. 3 Royal Titles of Christ: (1) Son of God as related to the Trinity (2) Son of David as related to His rulership over the nation of Israel (3) King of kings and Lord of lords as related to His rulership over the Church.

The cosmic dimensions of the sovereign rulership of Christ are 3-fold: (1) Celestials (a) Elect angels functioning in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd heavens. (b) Fallen angels functioning in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd heavens. (c) OT saints located in the 3rd heaven. (d) The Church (Dead in Christ) located in the 3rd heaven. (2) Terrestrials (a) The Church (Regenerate human beings) functioning on planet earth. (b) Unregenerate human beings functioning on planet earth. (3) Sub terrestrials (a) Fallen angels imprisoned in Tartarus and in the Abyss. (b) Unregenerate humanity in the 2nd compartment of Hades called Torments.

So we must always be aware of the fact that because Jesus Christ controls history nothing in life takes place unless the Lord Jesus Christ permits it. The Lord Jesus Christ as sovereign ruler of the cosmos is in control of circumstances permitting certain events to take place in our lives in order to either discipline us to get us back in fellowship with Him, or draw us closer to Him in fellowship and intimacy by giving us an opportunity to apply His Word resulting in us acquiring the blessings of confidence and assurance in life that we can handle any situation, whether adversity or prosperity.

31. Great High Priesthood of Christ
At the moment of salvation, the believer appropriates for himself the Lord Jesus Christ’s Great High Priesthood, which is directly related to both His finished work on the cross and His present mediatorial work in heaven at the right hand of the Father. His responsibility as our Great High Priesthood is 2-fold: (1) Intercessory prayer for the believer (2) Defend the believer against the attacks of Satan.

He is our faithful High Priest (Heb. 2:17). Our Lord’s High Priesthood is permanent (Heb. 7:24). He performs His intercessory ministry for the believer in the Holy of Holies in heaven (Heb. 8:2). Our Lord’s high priesthood is after the order of Melchizedek (Heb. 5:9-10; 6:20). He entered into the veil in heaven as High Priest (Heb. 6:20). His ministry is superior to the Levitical high priests on earth during the dispensation of Israel since He did not have to offer sacrifices for Himself since He was impeccable (Heb. 7:26). In fact, He offered Himself up as a substitute for the entire human race as our High Priest (Heb. 7:28). As our High Priest He is a mediator of a superior covenant for the 1st covenant with Israel under the Law has been abolished and He has replaced it with a new and superior one.

Heb 7:23-27, “The former priests, on the one hand, existed in greater numbers because they were prevented by death from continuing, but Jesus, on the other hand, because He continues forever, holds His priesthood permanently. Therefore He is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting for us to have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens; who does not need daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the sins of the people, because this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.”

1 John 2:1-2, “My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world.”

32. Intercessory Ministry of God the Holy Spirit

At the moment of salvation, the believer becomes the beneficiary of God the Holy Spirit’s intercessory ministry on his behalf.

Rom 8:26-27, “In the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words; and He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.”

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33. Intercessory Ministry of Fellow-Believer Priests

At the moment of salvation, the believer becomes the beneficiary of his fellow-believer priests’ intercessory prayer ministries.

Heb 4:16, “Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”

Eph 6:18, “With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints.”

Col 4:2-3, “Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving; praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned.”

34. Adoption

At the moment of salvation, we became a member of the Royal Family of God. All believers of the church age belong to Royalty (Rev. 1:6). We are "adopted" into the Royal Family of God.

In Roman adoption, a Roman aristocrat would select someone, often someone other than His own son, to become His heir. This is exactly what God did with us. We who were not of the family of God were adopted into God's family at the moment of salvation.

Eph 1:5-6, “He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.”

35. Spiritual Freedom

At the moment of salvation, the believer receives spiritual freedom. He has been freed from the power of the old sin nature, which he was enslaved to before salvation and he has also been freed from the lies of the cosmic system.

This spiritual freedom is to free the believer in worshipping and serving the Lord and is not to be abused.

Gal 5:1-13, “It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery. Behold I, Paul, say to you that if you receive circumcision, Christ will be of no benefit to you. And I testify again to every man who receives circumcision, that he is under obligation to keep the whole Law. You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace. For we
through the Spirit, by faith, are waiting for the hope of righteousness. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything, but faith working through love. You were running well; who hindered you from obeying the truth? This persuasion did not come from Him who calls you. A little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough. I have confidence in you in the Lord that you will adopt no other view; but the one who is disturbing you will bear his judgment, whoever he is. But I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why am I still persecuted? Then the stumbling block of the cross has been abolished. I wish that those who are troubling you would even mutilate themselves. For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.”

1 Peter 2:16, “Act as free men, and do not use your freedom as a covering for evil, but use it as bondslaves of God.”

36.4-Fold Stewardships

At the moment of salvation, the believer has been given a 4-fold stewardship. A steward is a manager, not an owner. He is one who manages the property of another. God is the owner and we are the managers of the various stewardships He has given. This includes the whole of life, of course. But to be good stewards of His grace, we must know the precise areas of stewardship for which God is holding us accountable. Scripture breaks this down into a number of areas.

The Scriptures teach that there are at least 4 areas of stewardship: (1) The stewardship of time—redeeming it for eternity. (2) The stewardship of talents—discovering and developing our spiritual gifts and natural talents for the blessing of others and for God’s glory. (3) The stewardship of God’s truth—multiplying ourselves through evangelism and discipleship. (4) The stewardship of our treasures—laying up treasures in heaven through financial faithfulness.

God has allotted twenty-four hours to each one of us. God has given us days not years.

Psalm 90:12, “So teach us to number our days, that we may present to You a right lobe of wisdom.”

Psalm 139:16, “Your eyes have seen my unformed substance; And in Your book they were all written, the days that were ordained for me, when as yet there was not one of them.”

Gal 6:9-10, “Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary. So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.”
Col 4:5-6, “Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity. Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person.”

1 Peter 1:17-18, “If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay on earth; knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers.”

A profitable servant of the Lord is a believer who operates in his spiritual gift or special talent that God has given him in order to serve the Lord and the body of Christ (1 Pet. 4:10-11). Every believer has been given a spiritual gift for the purpose of serving other members of the body of Christ. The distribution of spiritual gifts was authorized by the Lord Jesus Christ as a result of His strategic victory over Satan at the cross during the dispensation of the hypostatic union, however, the actual appointment of the believer’s spiritual gift is made by God the Holy Spirit as per 1 Cor. 12:11. The distribution of spiritual gifts took place upon the ascension and session of the Lord Jesus Christ as victor in the angelic conflict (Eph. 4:7-11).

Spiritual gifts are assignments of position within the body of Christ. Identification of one’s spiritual gift is a direct result of spiritual growth which can only be achieved through the consistent and persistent learning and applying of the Word of God which in turn enables the Holy Spirit to identify for you, your spiritual gift. Maximum production of one’s spiritual gift is dependent upon maximum application of doctrine, which in turn enables the Holy Spirit to reproduce the character of Christ in the believer’s life.

1 Peter 4:10-11, “As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.”

We must understand that the Word of God is a treasure that has been entrusted to each one of us as believers in the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Tim 1:13-14, “Retain the standard of sound words which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. Guard, through the Holy Spirit who dwells in us, the treasure which has been entrusted to you.”

Here the apostle reminds us that this message, the message about the Lord Jesus that brings men into an eternal relationship and fellowship with the eternal God of the universe, is both a treasure and a trust.

The only message (i.e. the Gospel) that brings men into the kingdom of God, reconciles them to God (John 14:6; Acts 4:12), and gives them eternal life and life more abundant (John 10:10) is truly a treasure beyond measure or a pearl of great value (Matt. 13:44-46).
Acts 4:10-12, “let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead -- by this name this man stands here before you in good health. ‘He is the STONE WHICH WAS REJECTED by you, THE BUILDERS, but WHICH BECAME THE CHIEF CORNER stone.’ And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.”

John 14:6, “Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.”

In 2 Timothy 2:2, Timothy is charged with the responsibility of entrusting what he had learned from Paul to other faithful men who in turn would teach others and so on, and so on.

2 Tim 2:2, “The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”

As stewards of God’s Word we must evangelize the unbeliever. We are not only royal priests but also royal ambassadors who have been entrusted with the privilege and responsibility of presenting the message of reconciliation, i.e. the Gospel to a lost and dying world.

2 Cor 5:14-21, “For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf. Therefore from now on we recognize no one according to the flesh; even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him in this way no longer. Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come. Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.”

The believer also must be a good steward with money. Scripture has a tremendous amount to say about money or material possessions. Sixteen of the thirty-eight parables of Jesus deal with money. One out of every ten verses in the New Testament deal with this subject. Scripture has 500 verses on prayer, less than 500 verses on faith, but over 2,000 verses on the subject of money.
Money is an extremely important issue because a person’s attitude toward it is so determinative of his relationship with God, on fulfilling his purpose in this life, and on his character.

Financial planning is biblical and is a means to good stewardship, to freedom from the god of materialism, and a means of protection against the waste of the resources God has entrusted to our care (Prov. 27:23-24; Luke 14:28; 1 Cor. 14:40).

Financial planning should be done in dependence on God’s direction and in faith while we rest in Him for security and happiness rather than in our own strategies (Prov. 16:1-4, 9; Psalm 37:1-10; 1 Tim. 6:17; Phil. 4:19).

Financial faithfulness ultimately flows out of the recognition that everything we are and have belongs to the Lord (1 Chron. 29:11-16; Rom. 14:7-9; 1 Cor. 6:19-20).

Life is a temporary sojourn in which Christians are to see themselves as aliens, temporary residents, who are here as stewards of God’s manifold grace. All we are and have—our talents, time, and treasures—are trusts given to us by God which we are to invest for God’s kingdom and glory (1 Pet. 1:17; 2:11; 4:10-11; Luke 19:11-26).

One of God’s basic ways to provide for our needs is through work—an occupation through which we earn a living so we can provide for ourselves and our families (2 Thess. 3:6-12; Prov. 25:27). The money we earn is also to be used as a means of supporting God’s work and helping those in need, first in God’s family and then for those outside the household of faith (Gal. 6:6-10; Eph. 4:28; 3 John 5-8).

37. Equal Privilege and Equal Opportunity

Because of our union with the Lord Jesus Christ we now have equal privilege and equal Opportunity to execute the plan of God for the church age. Equal Privilege and Equal Opportunity is totally unique to the church age. It is like a starting line of a spiritual race. The execution of the Plan of God for the church age is the finish line to that spiritual race. The Baptism of the Spirit provides the basis for Equal Privilege and Equal Opportunity for all church age believers (1 Cor. 12:13). The Baptism of the Spirit provides equality that does not exist in the world today.

Equal Privilege and Equal Opportunity means that there are no distinctions among church age believers (Gal. 3:26-28; 6:15; Col. 3:9-11).

Gal 3:26-28, “For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.
There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.”

Col 3:10-11, “and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him -- a renewal in which there is no distinction between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and freeman, but Christ is all, and in all.”

There are no longer any social, economic, sexual or racial distinctions in the Church because there is Equal Privilege and Equal Opportunity.

Equal Privilege and Equal Opportunity means that no believer is inferior to another believer.

38. Sanctification

We have been set apart at the moment of salvation to serve God exclusively, which is called sanctification.

There are 3 categories of sanctification in the Christian way of life: (1) Positional: Our union with the person of Christ at the moment of salvation. (2) Experiential: The spiritual life after salvation. (3) Ultimate: When we receive our resurrection bodies at the Rapture.

Positional sanctification is defined as the church age believers eternal union with Christ through the Baptism of the Spirit, which occurs at the moment of salvation.


Retroactive Positional Truth: The church age believer’s identification with Christ in His death (Rom. 6:3-11; Col. 2:12). Retroactive positional truth looks back to the Cross (Rom. 6:3-6). We have been buried with Him in Baptism (Rom. 6:3-4; Col. 2:12).

Current Positional Truth: The church age believer’s identification with Christ in His Resurrection, Ascension and Session (Col. 3:1-4). The believer is identified with Christ as He is currently seated in heaven. The believer is now positionally higher than angels (Heb. 1 and 2).

Experiential sanctification is the believer’s experience after salvation of experiencing fellowship with God by obeying the voice of the Holy Spirit, which is heard through the communication of the Word of God.

Ultimate sanctification is the believer’s in a resurrection body and is the completion of the plan of God for the believer.

1 Cor 1:30, “But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption.”
1 Thess 4:3-7, “For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in lustful passion, like the Gentiles who do not know God; and that no man transgress and defraud his brother in the matter because the Lord is the avenger in all these things, just as we also told you before and solemnly warned you. For God has not called us for the purpose of impurity, but in sanctification.”

2 Thess 2:13, “But we should always give thanks to God for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God has chosen you from the beginning for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and faith in the truth.”

Rom 6:1-19, “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin so that grace may increase? May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it? Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is master over Him. For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus. Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts, and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under law but under grace. What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? May it never be! Do you not know that when you present yourselves to someone as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness? But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were committed, and having been freed from sin, you became slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness, resulting in further
lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification.”

39. Election

God has also elected us to privilege in eternity past where in His omniscience the Father saw that you would believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and thus took this into account and devised a plan especially for you.

Election is the expression of the sovereign will of God for the church age believer. God wills His highest and best for every believer.

Ephesians 1:4, "Just as He (God the Father) chose us in Him (the Lord Jesus Christ) before the foundation of the world (eternity past), that we should be holy and blameless before Him.”

Election is God saying, “I want to give you tremendous blessings for executing My plan for your life.”

The believer’s conduct should be governed as a result of understanding that he has been elected to privilege. The believer’s election should motivate him to live spiritually (Col. 3:12-17).

Col 3:12-17, “So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.”

40. Predestination

Not only have we been elected but also we have been predestined. Predestination is the provision of the sovereign will of God for the church age believer.

Predestination is God saying, “I will give you everything you need in life to execute My plan for your life so that I can give you those tremendous blessings.”

Ephesians 1:5, "He (God the Father) predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to His gracious sovereign will."
Election and Predestination are 2 sides of the same coin. Election expresses the Father’s purpose that the believer be conformed to the image of His Son and predestination is the Father’s provision to achieve the Father’s purpose. God has predestinated us to be conformed to the image of His Son.

**Rom 8:29-30, “For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified.”**

41. Universal Royal Priesthood

Every believer in this church age dispensation is appointed by God as a royal priest at the moment of salvation.

*1 Peter 2:5, "You also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."*

*1 Peter 2:9a, "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession."

*Revelation 1:6a, "And He made us to be a kingdom, priests to His God and Father."

*Revelation 5:10a, "And Thou hast made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God."

As a royal priest, every believer represents himself before God.

42. Royal Ambassadorship

Church age believers are not only Royal Priests representing themselves before God, but have also been given a Royal Ambassadorship (2 Cor. 5:20).

*2 Cor 5:20, “Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.”*

We are ambassadors for Christ. An ambassador is a high-ranking minister or member of royalty sent to represent his nation in a foreign country. As spiritual ambassadors, the church age believer represents the Lord Jesus Christ in the devil’s kingdom. We represent the King of kings and Lord of lords, who is now absent from the earth because He sits at the right hand of God representing us before God the Father as our High Priest.

43. Indwelling of the Father
God the Father has also indwelt us at the moment of salvation. The Indwelling of God the Father (John 14:22-23; Eph. 4:6; Phil. 2:13; 1 John 4:15; 2 John 9).

44. Indwelling of God the Son

The Son has indwelt us as well. The Indwelling of Jesus Christ (John 14:20; 17:22-23, 26; Rom. 8:10; 2 Cor. 13:5; Gal. 2:20a; Col. 1:27).

45. Indwelling of God the Holy Spirit

The Indwelling of God the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:11; 1 Cor. 3:16; 6:19-20; 2 Cor. 6:16).

46. 100% Availability of Divine Power

At the moment of salvation, every church age believer has been given the 100% availability of divine power in order to execute the plan of God and to bring glory to God in the angelic conflict.

At the moment of salvation, we have 3 categories of divine power available to us: (1) Omnipotence of God the Father related to our invisible assets. (2) Omnipotence of God the Son related to the preservation and perpetuation of human history and the Word of God. (3) Omnipotence of God the Holy Spirit related to the execution of the Plan of God.

47. Plan of God

We have been given a plan from the Father to execute. The Father’s plan is for every believer to become conformed to the image of the Lord Jesus Christ meaning become like Him experientially in thought, word and action.

Rom 8:28-30, “And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified.”

Eph 4:11-16, “And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; until
we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.”

This plan gives us purpose, meaning and significance to our lives.

Jer 29:11, “For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the LORD, "plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.”

48. All judgment is removed at the moment we believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.

John 3:18, "He who believes on Him IS NOT JUDGED, but he who does not believe is judged already because he has not believed in the unique person of Jesus Christ."

Romans 8:1, "There is, therefore, now NO JUDGEMENT to those who are in Christ Jesus."

49. Eternal inheritance

1 Peter 1:4, "We have an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled, that fades not away, reserved in heaven for those who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time."

Hebrews 9:15, "And for this reason, He (the Lord Jesus Christ) is the mediator of a new covenant, in order that since a death has taken place for the redemption of the transgressions (committed under the 1st covenant) may receive the promise of eternal inheritance."

Only those believers who are faithful to death or the rapture, whichever comes first will receive his eternal inheritance. These individuals are called the “overcomers” in Scripture.

Revelation 2:7, “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.”

Revelation 2:11, “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes will not be hurt by the second death.”

Revelation 2:17, “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give some of the hidden
manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it.”

Revelation 2:26, “He who overcomes, and he who keeps My deeds until the end, TO HIM I WILL GIVE AUTHORITY OVER THE NATIONS.”

Revelation 3:5, “He who overcomes will thus be clothed in white garments; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.”

Revelation 3:12, “He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name.”

Revelation 3:21, “He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.”

The believer must fulfill the condition of executing God’s plan for his life if he is to receive his eternal inheritance. Failure to execute God’s plan does not result in loss of salvation but rather loss of rewards (1 Jn. 2:28; 1 Cor. 3:11-15)

50. Delivered From The Kingdom Of Darkness And Transferred Into The Kingdom Of God.

Col 1:13, “For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son.”

Ephesians 2:1-2, "And you (believers) were dead (spiritually) in your trespasses and sins, in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world (cosmic system of Satan), according to the prince of the air (Satan), of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience (unbelievers)."

51. We are a gift from God the Father to God the Son

We are a gift in that we are formed as the Royal Family of God (John 10:29; 17:2, 6, 9, 11). God the Father is forming a Royal Family for His Son with church age believers.

52. Delivered From The Power Of The Old Sin Nature.

This is taught in such passages as Rom. 2:29; Phil. 3:3; Col. 2:11; Eph. 4:22. The believer receives a new nature at the point of salvation breaking the bonds of the old sin nature (2 Cor. 5:17). The believer now has an alternative to living in the Cosmic System under the power of the old sin nature (Rom. 6:11-13). The believer
now has a choice to live in either the old sin nature or the new spiritual species, which cannot sin (Rom. 6:19). In the same way that the believer chooses to live in the old sin nature, he now can choose to live in new spiritual species. It is an act of volition on the part of the believer.

53. Access To God In Prayer (Rom. 5:2; Eph. 2:18; 3:12).

**Eph 2:18, “for through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father.”**

**Eph 3:12, “in whom we have boldness and confident access through faith in Him.”**

All prayer made by the believer-priest in the Church Age must be addressed to God the Father (John 14:13-14; 16:23-27; Rom. 8:15; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 2:18; 3:14; 5:20; Col. 1:3, 12; 3:17; 1 Pet. 1:17; Rev. 1:6).

Prayer must be made in the name or Person of or through intermediate agency of the Lord Jesus Christ (John 14:13-14; 16:23-24; Eph. 5:20; Col. 3:17).

Prayer must be made in the power of the Spirit or by means of the power of the Filling of the Spirit (Eph. 2:18; 6:18; Jude 20).

There are many reasons for entering into prayer: (1) Deliverance from enemies (Psa. 54:1-3; 55:1-3; 88:1-3; 102:1-2; 109:1-5; Acts 12:5; Phil. 1:19). (2) For enemies (Matt. 5:44-45; Luke 6:28). (3) Spiritual and temporal needs of the royal family of God (Eph. 6:18; Col. 1:9-10; 1 Thess. 5:25; 2 Thess. 1:11; James 5:16; 3 John 2; 2 Cor. 13:9; Rom. 15:30-31; (4) For the sanctification of physical food (1 Tim. 4:4-5). (5) To heal the sick in the royal family (James 5:14-15a). (6) For the spiritual growth of the royal family (Col. 4:12; Eph. 1:15-19; 1 Thess. 3:9-10; Phil. 1:9; Col. 1:9; 2 Cor. 13:9). (7) For those in authority (1 Tim. 2:1-2). (8) For the proliferation of bible doctrine (2 Thess. 3:1). (9) For the prevention of performing evil and the application of the Word of God (2 Cor. 13:7). (10) For material prosperity and good physical health (3 John 2). (11) Fellowship (Philp. 4:6).

54. Secure Foundation (1 Cor. 3:11; Eph. 2:20).

The believer’s salvation is built upon a secure foundation, namely the believer’s salvation and eternal security is based upon the merits of the Person and Work of Christ on the Cross.

**Eph 2:19-22, “So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing**
into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.”

55. At the moment of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ, the church age believer becomes related to God the Son through 8 special Biblical analogies or relationships.

1. The last Adam and the New Creation (1 Cor. 15:45; 2 Cor. 5:17a).
2. The Head and the Body (Col. 1:18a).
4. The True Vine and the Branches (John 15:5a).
5. The Chief Cornerstone and the Stones in the building (Eph. 2:20; 1 Pet. 2:5-6).
6. The Great High Priest and members of the Royal Priesthood (Heb. 4:14a; 1 Pet. 2:9a).
8. The King of Kings and the Royal Family of God (Rev. 19:14-16).

56. Eternal Security

There are 6 approaches with reference to eternal security: (1) Logical (Rom. 8:32) (2) Positional: We are in union with Christ, and we can't break this union. (3) Experiential (2 Timothy 2:13) (4) Family (Galatians 3:25) (5) Inheritance (1 Peter 1:5) (6) Body of Christ (1 Cor. 12:27).

There is nothing God the Father, God the Son, or God the Holy Spirit can do to cancel our salvation after we believe in Jesus Christ. There is nothing we can do either. Even if you have believed in Christ, but now are renouncing Him, you are still eternally secure.

The justice of God imputed to you eternal life and declared you perfectly righteous when you believed in Him, the Lord Jesus Christ, who satisfied the justice of God. There is nothing Satan and the kingdom of darkness can do (John 10:29; Rom. 8:38-39).

Rom 8:32-39, “He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things? Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies; who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? Just as it is written, "FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE
CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED." But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

57. Resurrection Body

At the moment of salvation, the believer is guaranteed to receive a resurrection body at the rapture of the Church.

1 Cor 15:50-58, “Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality. But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP in victory. "O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY? O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.”

58. Heavenly Citizenship

At the moment of salvation, the believer has received a heavenly citizenship.

Philippians 3:20-21, “For our citizenship exists from eternity past in the realm of the heavens, out from which also we ourselves at the present time are eagerly anticipating as Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Who will cause our humiliating body to be outwardly transformed to be identical in essence with His glorious body because of the power that will enable Him to marshal all things created to Himself.”

59. Pastor-Teacher
At the moment of salvation every believer without exception has been assigned to the authority of a pastor-teacher who is to provide the believer his spiritual food, which produces spiritual growth and capacity to love and serve the body of Christ.

1 Peter 5:1-3, “Therefore, I exhort the elders among you, as your fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed, shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness; nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock.”

1 Thess 5:12-13, “But we request of you, brethren, that you appreciate those who diligently labor among you, and have charge over you in the Lord and give you instruction, and that you esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Live in peace with one another.”

60. Local Assembly

At the moment of salvation every believer has been assigned to a local assembly that serves as the classroom for his receiving instruction in the Word of God and to provide the believer a place to operate in his spiritual gift.

Heb 10:23-25, “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.”

Summary

Truly we as believers in the Lord Jesus Christ have so much to be thankful for. All the blessings that I have related to you are the reason why we should rejoice. We should be a happy people, a people with enthusiasm because we know that God loves us with a love that is immutable, unconditional, gracious, compassion, merciful, forgiving and eternal.

Philippians 4:4, “From this moment on, all of you rejoice because of the Lord always, again I will order: from this moment on, all of you rejoice.”

Yes we should lift up our voices in praise to the One who has bestowed upon us such wonderful, indescribable blessings.

Ps 7:17, “I will give thanks to the LORD according to His righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the LORD Most High.”

Ps 18:49, “Therefore I will give thanks to you among the nations, O LORD, and I will sing praises to your name.”
Ps 30:4, “Sing praise to the LORD, you His godly ones, and give thanks to His holy name.”

Ps 33:2-4, “Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; sing praises to Him with a harp of ten strings. Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully with a shout of joy. For the word of the LORD is upright, and all His work is {done} in faithfulness.”

Isa 25:1, “O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will give thanks to your name; for you have worked wonders, plans {formed} long ago, with perfect faithfulness.”

2 Cor 9:15, “Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!”

Eph 5:4, “and {there must be no} filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.”

Eph 5:20, “always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father.”

Col 1:12, “giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.”

Col 3:17, “Whatever you do in word or deed, {do} all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.”

1Thes 5:18, “in everything give thanks; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”

Heb 13:15, “Through Him then, let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that give thanks to His name.”

Ps 69:30, “I will praise the name of God with song and magnify Him with thanksgiving.”