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THE SPIRIT OF GRACE AND THE POWER TO WITNESS Heb 10:29 – the Holy Spirit is called the spirit of grace

Romans 6:13-14 (KJV)

¹⁴ For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

BE HONEST AND CRY FOR HELP

Exodus 2:23-25 (KJV)

²³ And it came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed(greater than cry) by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage. ²⁴ And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. ²⁵ And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect unto them.

THE FIRST PROMISE OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 1:20-21 (KJV)

²¹ And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for **he shall save his** people from their sins.

- 1. Save from the wrath of God
- 2. I can be saved from the sins of this flesh

JESUS FUNCTIONED WITH THE GRACE OF GOD

Luke 2:39-40 (KJV)

³⁹ And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth. ⁴⁰ And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, **filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.**

Acts 9:17-18 (KJV) – Paul received grace of God

¹⁷ And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and **be filled with the Holy Ghost**. ¹⁸ And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and **was baptized**. –

Paul received grace to follow Jesus for he said:

1 Corinthians 11:1 (KJV)

¹ Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.

THEY THAT FOLLOW JESUS SHALL NEVER BE PUT TO SHAME John 12:26 (KJV)

²⁶ If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.

John 14:12-14 (KJV)

¹² Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. ¹³ And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

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WE HAVE A GREAT HIGH PRIEST

Hebrews 4:14 (KJV)

¹⁴ Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

Now that you have believed, seek the power of the Holy Spirit

John 7:38-39 (KJV) ³⁸ He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. ³⁹ (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

2 Corinthians 12:9 (KJV)

⁹ And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰ Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

YOU SHALL BE WITNESS OF CHRIST

Acts 1:8 (KJV)

⁸ But ye shall **receive power**, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and **ye shall be witnesses** unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

APOSTLE PAUL LABOURED BY THE GRACE OF GOD

1 Corinthians 15:9-10 (KJV)

⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ **But by the grace of God I am what I am**: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

A CHRISTIAN IS TO BE AN OVERCOMER IN EVERY SITUATION

2 Corinthians 9:8 (KJV)

⁸ And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

Hebrews 4:15-16 (KJV)

¹⁵ For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

1 Peter 5:5-7 (KJV)

⁵ Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. ⁶ Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: ⁷ Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.