

What Is a Christian 06 a Heir of God

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As children of God, we are heirs of God's blessings and inheritance, and we share in Christ's glory and inheritance as joint heirs with him.

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Description

In this sermon, the preacher discusses the story of Rebecca and how she made a decision based on the testimony of the servant. Despite never having seen him, she believed in the greatness and wealth of his master. The preacher emphasizes the importance of faith and belief in God's promises, even without physical evidence. He also highlights the concept of being joint heirs with Christ, where believers share in the blessings and responsibilities of being part of God's family. The sermon concludes with a reminder that suffering and challenges in life are temporary compared to the glory that awaits believers, and that they are more than conquerors through Christ's love.

Transcript

I'm seeing you this morning, and we start with all the blessings and great much joy that's coming in. Please open your Bibles at Romans, and the eighth chapter. Romans, chapter eight.

Please continue to be much in prayer regarding the meetings. Get as often as you can, and encourage others to come along with you. And this is the clouds this morning coming along.

I wondered if there were clouds of real spiritual revival and blessing was going to fall upon us. We just trust that's really going to be so. And, um, I was also reminded of a story told by Leighton Poire.

Leighton says there are three almost impossible things to do. The first thing is to climb a fence when it's leaning toward you. The second thing is to kiss a girl when she's leaning away from you.

And the third thing is to get people out to meetings in rainy weather. He said, I've had no experience whatsoever of trying to climb a fence leaning toward me, but I've had a terrific lot of experience trying to get people out to meetings on a wet night. Got it? Yeah, sure.

Romans 8, verse number 14. As many as are laid by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For we have not received the spirit of bondage against fear, but we have received the spirit of adoption whereby

we cry, I have a father.

The Spirit himself beareth witness with our spirit that we are the children of God, and if children then heirs, heir to God, and John heirs with Christ. If so be we suffer with him that we may be also glorified as together. Now go across to Galatians chapter 4. Galatians, and the fourth chapter.

We've been thinking a lot about this particular chapter during these days. Galatians 4 please, and we're going to read in at verse number six. Verse number six.

And because your son, God is saying for the spirit of his son into your heart crying, Abba, a father. Now there we have the assurance of sonship. The spirit of the son was in our heart cries, Abba, father.

Now verse seven. Wherefore thou art no more a servant but a son, and if a son then an heir of God through Christ. Now isn't that lovely? We've been dealing with the fact that Christian is a child of God.

Now this morning the Christian is an heir of God, and a joint heir with Christ. Now we become heirs because we are children. We've been born into the family, and because we're in the family we are now heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ.

Now, probably you've got daily living calendar, the choice living, and yesterday you'll remember D. L. Moody said that he at one time used to teach his Sunday school children to sing I'm Born to be an Angel, but he said not for many years has he ever had that hymn sung, because the Christians are above the angels. Isn't that true? The Christians are above the angels. The Lord Jesus came a little lower than the angels, that he might lift us far above all the angelic host.

He, the eternal son of God, became the son of man, that we the sons of men might become the sons of God. It's a grand thing to be a Christian. It's a grand thing to be a child of God, and we're going to see something of what we've been brought into this morning as we study this all in full theme, the Christian as an heir of God, and a joint heir with Christ.

Now go back with me to Genesis chapter 13. Genesis and the 13th chapter, please, and just a little verse here that might be an encouragement to us. Our brethren in prayer this morning reminding us of what we've been brought into, because we are in Christ Jesus.

Genesis 13, verse number two, and Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold. Chapter 24, and verse 35. The same book, Genesis, the 24th chapter, and verse 35.

And the Lord has blessed my master's great name, and he has become rich. Yea, he has become great, and he hath given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and maidservants, and maidservants, and cattle, and antics. And Sarah, my master's wife, bare a son to my master when she was old.

And now here's the point, and unto him hath he given all that he hath. Unto him hath he given all that he hath. Chapter 25, and verse number five.

And Abram gave all that he had unto Isaac, his heir. He gave all that he had unto Isaac. Now go with me, please, to John, chapter three.

The third chapter of John's gospel, and just notice again, Abram is a beautiful picture of God the Father, Isaac a beautiful picture of the Lord Jesus, the Son. And just see his face, please, in John 3, verse number 35. The Father loveth the Son, and has given all things into his hand.

Isn't that lovely? The Father loveth the Son, and has given all things into his hand. Chapter 30 in the same gospel. I want you to get these references, why don't you study them out in your own private devotion.

And verse number three. Jesus knowing the Father has given all things into his hand. Isn't it lovely? The Father has given all things into his hand.

Now, remember our verse this morning, Luke 8, verse 17. Because we are children, we're heirs of God, and joined heirs with Christ. Now, I want you to think for a moment with me of this wonderful expression, a joined heir with Christ.

Back in Britain, especially in Scotland, the marriage law still holds good. That is, if a bride, the woman, has any liability, that is, if she's in debt, the husband assumes all responsibility for his bride. He cancels all the debt, wipes out all the liability.

Now, here's a picture. Here are a couple about to be married. The husband is a multimillionaire, but not all that across in Britain, by the way.

But, here we have this man, a multimillionaire. Here's the bride, and she got certain debt. Immediately, my friend, those two people are united in the bond of holy matrimony.

Straight away, that man assumed all responsibility for his bride, and she entered right in, and shared everything that man's got. He can't say, now one moment longer, all these millions belong to me, because they don't. She shared everything that man had.

Now, is that not what happened when we came to Lord Jesus? We came in a condition of spiritual bankruptcy. We were very badly in debt, great liabilities against us, but the quench was asked. Will thou have this one to thy Lord and Savior, the one who loved you, proved his love by dying for you upon the cross, shedding his precious, precious blood for you? You must be claimed and restored to favor with God.

Will you have this one to your Lord and Savior? Our hearts went out and we said, Lord, I will. I owe thee now as my Lord coming to my heart. That moment, not only did we receive him, but he received us, and today there's an indissoluble union.

I'm in Christ, and Christ is in me, and I know this. He's cared for all the debt, he's got all the liability, and we today enter in, and we share everything that he has. Now, remember Eliezer, the chief servant in Abraham's household, had been saying to bring back a bride for Isaac the son.

Not a very easy thing, is it? To try and choose a bride for another man. Some people try to do that, you know, and they make an awful mess of it, don't they? But here, my friend Eliezer now, we see him going all that long way, and remember the time came when he put the acid tapes out. Lord, if this is the woman you want me to choose for Isaac, my master's son, when I say give me to drink, you not only say drink, but I'll give to your camel also.

And of course, Rebekah was the one who came out. What happened? He didn't file his back to counsel. He tells the story, and what happens then? Remember, Rebekah's brought him.

She brought him, and as a result, the question asked after the servant had told the story, the wonderful, glowing testimony belonging to his master, and he said, my master is rich, he's very wealthy, he's great,

and he went on extolling his master, all that belongs to his master. Then he said, all that belongs to my master is given to Abraham, to Isaac his son. He's given to Isaac his son.

Then the question asked Rebekah, will thou go with this man? She had a golden opportunity, she had freedom of will, and said, I will go. Now notice, she had never seen him, she only heard with the hearing of the ear, yet she believed the testimony of the servant. We sometimes sing in delight of things, yet you who believe it's precious from having not seen, we love.

And my friend, young Rebekah's heart, it strangely moved, and I will go. Now can you imagine this woman getting on the back of a camel, not a lovely Cadillac, not Daimler, not a Rolls Royce, oh no, not even a Ford, no, no. There my friend is on the back of this camel, and he knows something about riding on the back of a camel.

Not a very easy thing to do, I can tell you that. My, you know you've got liver, and kidneys, and bones, one you've got shredded along on those camel's back. Last year at this time, we were just doing that very thing.

But may I pause here one minute? She leaves her own people, she leaves the land of her nativity, and she takes that long journey, about 1,500 miles, and she takes a long journey over that desert way under a brawling eastern sun. What's going to happen? Oh, because she believes the record, the testimony of the servant concerning his master and the master's son. She's going to go, and I think I hear her saying to Eliezer, tell me everything you know about him.

I will know everything about him. Now, women are rather nosy. Now, he's quite convinced that she asked an awful lot of questions.

Now, I like people who ask questions, intelligent questions. I like people like that. It shows they're interested, and my friend, I'm sure Eliezer, he was just delighted to tell her everything he knew about his master, and the heir to all his master had.

They're getting very near the end of the journey, and Isaac's gone off to meditate in the field in the evening time, and, lo, the camels are coming. Remember that old song? The camels are coming, are coming, remember that? Well, there's the whole thing, you see, and the camels are coming, you see, and I hear her saying to them, who is that? Who's your man? Can't you hear her saying, that's him, that's him? She got off her camel, she veiled herself, and my friend here's the next, and he took her to his mother's tent, and he was comforted, and he said, and he loved her, he loved her. The Holy Spirit, my friend, has been sought a faithful that brings back a bride for the son of the heavenly Isaac.

Thank God this morning he's reached us, he's wooed us, and he's won us, and as they were traveling across the desert land, my friend, the golden pillars shine before us. Friend, we're getting very near the end of the journey. The glory shines before us.

We cannot linger here, and one day along he's coming out to the air, and our hearts are going to move toward him. We're going to hear his sweet voice saying, rise up my love, my fair one, and come away. He's going to take us in, my friend, to the Father's house, and he's going to say, Father, I'm the children you've given me, and there's not one of them missing.

Isn't that lovely? There's not one of them missing. Father, they're all here. All you've given me are all here, Father.

Look at them. All having my nature of light and love, the Father, all can call my own blessed image. What satisfaction in the heart of the Father, what joy in the heart of the Son, what joy in the heart of the Holy Spirit, and what joy in your heart and my heart.

Oh, friend, in that day we'll look back and say, why has it been worth it all? Had I read the next verse of Romans chapter eight, it would say, the suffering of the little wild are nothing to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. Friends, if we suffer with him, we'll be glorified together. If we suffer with him, we shall reign with him.

Oh, what joy is our joy! No wonder we're going to sing. He and I in that bright glory, one deep joy shall share, mine to be forever with him, his that I am there. And, friend, listen, the glory of all glories will be to see him, to gaze upon that lovely face, the prosperous self before him, and from a very heart cry, Lord, thou art worthy, and worthy alone.

Isn't he? Oh, ten thousand times ten thousand. Yes, the bride has been brought home to meet the heavenly bridegroom. Oh, the great marriage supper of the Lamb.

Now, know this, we are going to share all that he has. Romans 8 17 says, we are joined heirs with Christ. Ephesians chapter 1 verse 7 and verse 3 says, God has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

Philippians chapter 3 verse number 19 says, my God shall supply all your need, not your greed, but your need according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus, not out of the abundance of his riches, but according to his riches, and there's a great difference. A great difference. Isn't it, my friends? Get the picture now.

We are joined heirs with Christ, we're blessed with every spiritual blessing in the heavenlies in Christ, and then it says, all my need for time present, for all eternity is made in Christ. For the verse quoted in prayer this morning, Colossians chapter 2 verses 9 and 10, you know what it says there? That please the Father that in Christ all fullness dwells. Now, you might bring a great theologian like a John Nelson Darby, a great scholar like a William Lincoln or a William Kelly.

You might bring a great evangelist like a Charles Hatton, a great preacher like a Charles Hatton, a great evangelist like a D. L. Moody. You might bring Prince of Exposure and Alexander McLuhan. But, beloved, you ask them the question, what does this mean? That please the Father that in him should all fullness dwell, and they would off with foreign worship and in adoration say, our fondest mind can't grasp the full importance of the value nor the worth of that statement.

That please the Father that in him all fullness dwell. No wonder Paul said, I have not seen, nor hear heard, neither is the heart of man all that God prepare for them that love him, but he by his Spirit hath revealed it unto us. Now, notice the next verse, Colossians 2 verse 9 saying, it please the Father that in him should all fullness dwell.

Now, are you listening carefully? Are you ready for it? And ye are complete. He looks into your heart, he looks into my heart, and he says, and ye are complete in him. We are made full in him, and all that he is before the Father, so are we today in him, treasuring all the fullness that's treasured up in our adorable Lord Jesus.

At Mithun conference some years ago, some church here from Mithun this morning, I was labeling this line, and I'll never forget it all my life. I was going on ministering from Sam 84 throughout the 10 days we were there, but this particular night a sister came up and said, you know at the conference you mentioned

that we are joint heirs with Christ. She said, I can't grasp that.

I can't dig it in. It's just too much for my little mind. She said, whatever do you mean? Well, she's just like this.

Just think of this little planet in which we find ourselves living. Think of all the minerals that are in the earth, the nickel, the copper, the silver, the gold, the brass, the iron ore, and she went on and on and on. Think of all the wonderful timbers that are in the world.

Out in British Columbia, Lord, there are 80 different shades of green that may be. I don't know. I know there are not a lot of different shades of green in British Columbia.

I never counted them, but he declared there were 80 different shades of green, and just think of all the cattle upon the thousand hills looking up in the starry heavens. See all the mighty galaxies there, and he said, all of you recognize that this little planet is one of the smallest of millions upon millions upon millions of worlds that came into being at his word. He just brought worlds into being, and this one is one of the smallest of them all, and said, and now you tell me I'm a joint heir with Christ? He's heir to all these, and I'm a joint heir with him? Oh, she says, James, I am lost in wonder, love, and praise.

All I can do is to adore him, to worship him, and yield my whole life entirely to him. Oh, child of God, have you come to recognize what you're being brought into as one in Christ? All the joy of being in Christ? Are you sure you're there? Is it a reality in your life? Because once you're in Christ, you're in Christ forever. Thus the eternal comestat, and all that he is, and all the father's given to him, we're going to share for a countless ages of eternity.

Ephesians chapter one, he says, the spirit has given to us the earnest of the inheritance. Now, if the earnest is so precious and so real, what's the full realization going to be when we enter into our possession in Christ Jesus? Now we know it partially. What's the full realization going to be? No wonder he's saying, if this glimpse of love is so divinely sweet, what will it be above thy gladdening and smile to me? Oh, dear child of God, lift up your heart.

Look away from your failure. Look away from your defeat. Look away, my friend, from yourself, and look away to that lovely one.

Recognize what you are, because you are in Christ Jesus. Set your affections on things above, not on the things of the earth. Where the treasure is, there will the heart be also.

And because our treasure is in heaven, let us set our affections upon the treasure, our adorable Lord Jesus Christ. All the joy of a joyous air with him. Now, it says in psalm number 16, one of my favorite psalms, through to be such a blessing to so many during my visit here, many have told me they've used it in different parts as they've ministered the word of God, and I'm so glad about that.

But, you know, it says in psalm 16, it says, the Lord is a portion of my inheritance, and also it says, I have a goodly heritage. Isn't that lovely? I have a goodly heritage. The Lord, he is the portion of my inheritance.

Doesn't that do something in your heart? Doesn't that just fill you? How you look up and you say, Lord, thou art enough, the mind and heart are filled. Oh, fix my eye so, holy Lord, on thee, that with thy beauty occupied I elsewhere none may see. Now, it is possible to have this wonderful inheritance, that the dear man in South Africa, so many years ago, he lived in a shack on the edge of a great mountain, and my

friend, that man died of malnutrition, he died in poverty, and yet all that mountain belonged to him, and you know something? That man was sitting on one of the largest and the wealthiest gold mines in the world, and all that property belonged to him, but it was ignorant to all the wealth that was his.

And, many of God's beloved people today are ignorant to all they've been brought into as a child of God, and we're going around like spiritual paupers when we're spiritual multimillionaires, we're going around like spiritual weaklings when we're spiritual giants. Oh, may God give us grace to enter in and possess our possessions. Administration, alas, it is borrowed.

Someone referred to Mr. Harold Harper last night, that dear child of God. About he told the story with great affection. Sailing down through the beautiful blue Mediterranean waters with a cruiser.

Now, before that cruiser occurred with many passengers, one of the passengers had taken with him packages of crackers and cream cheese. He did not want to be hungry while he was on that cruise. Two days sailing, one of the other passengers went up and says, how are you getting on? Oh, we're having a wonderful time, wonderful sailing weather, but it says those crackers and cream cheese are getting rather stale.

Crackers and cream cheese? He says, man, aren't you going down to have your meals in the dining room? Oh, no, I can't afford that. He says, I brought some crackers and cream cheese to make. I didn't want to be hungry.

That man said, you can't afford it? He said, my, we're having four courses for breakfast, many as seven we're having for lunch, and as many as nine we're having for dinner. Oh, you should come down. Yes, I know.

Every time I pass by the dining room, that smell comes up, makes me feel ever so hungry, and I'm just sorry I can't afford to indulge. The other man looks and says, haven't you got your ticket? Oh, yes, I got my ticket, all right. Well, he says, don't you know all your meals are included in your ticket? He says, pardon? He says, don't you know all your meals are included in your ticket? Now, you know what happened with crackers and cream cheese, don't you? Major's went overboard, and he went down marginally with one little ducky in the next meal.

Now, we smother that man's simplicity. You may call it stupidity, but, oh, dear child of God, aren't we just like that man, eh? We get taken up with crackers and cream cheese, little snippets here, little snippets there. We run to one conference and one convention after the other, one side of the country, other side.

We go with a little bucket, a little bucket, and you go, oh, it's wonderful, this is wonderful. We're going to say, hallelujah, we've got a wonderful Lord, He's just so good. When's the next conference? When's the next convention? But all the times, oh, my God, you could have in you a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

You can have this, my friend, down the south, back north, wherever we're from. We could have a continual conference, a continual revival. Why? As we would yield to the indwelling Holy Spirit, He would make all this real to us, bring us into our possessions in Christ Jesus.

When I use that expression, it says from the Bible, oh, yes, of the diary, chapter 17, verse 17 says, possess your possessions. Let us go in, my friends, and appropriate all that is ours in our beloved Lord Jesus Christ. It's a grand thing to be an heir, a joint heir with Christ, isn't it now? The wonder of God, all

the power has He has given to the Son, and because we are in the Son, accepted in the Beloved to all that are His, we share.

We're joint heirs of Christ. I wonder, do we know the joy of this? Are we in the good of it? Oh, yes, thank God, I know my sins are forgiven. I know I've been cleansed from every sin.

Thank God, I know I'm on my way to heaven. Is that all the lens you've got? Got no further than that? Do we know the joy, my friend, of that holy moment-by-moment communion with Him, recognizing He's the very life of our life, every moment of every day? Not just that we're coming to it here and now, He's the very life of our life. Friends, I want you to get this this morning.

The Lord Himself is our purity. The Lord Himself is our power. The Lord Himself is our pardon.

The Lord Himself is our holiness. The Lord Himself is our victory. The Lord Himself is our justification.

That brother prayed, He is our sanctification. He is our wisdom. He is our righteousness.

He is our redemption. He is our love. He is our life.

He is our life. He's our limit. Friend, He does absolutely everything to us, and He wants His moment-by-moment appropriateness.

Is it purity? He is purity. Is it power? He is power. Is it grace? He is grace.

Everything God has for us is treasured up in His beloved Son, but He wants us moment-by-moment to appropriate whatever the need of that very moment. Ask the Lord to be that very thing to you. Is it patience? He is your patience.

Is it love? He is your love. Oh, how impatient we get. How irritable we get.

How easily provoked we get. Oh, you see, when my wife prays for patience, the Lord usually sends me home, because tribulation works with patience. Well, it's not quite as bad as all that, really.

There's a whole thing, you see. But if we need patience, what happens? You think, oh, I can't help it. I just drop off the first one at the deep end.

I blow my top so fast. Now, listen. It's just in that very moment you've got to look up and say, Lord, Thy patience take over, Lord.

And it's amazing how you'll find the Lord taking over right there. Love? That very person that rubs you up the wrong way? You're too hot to thank God for them, you know. Why? Because God may be using them as fan favor to polish you up.

You see, that very subject was, oh, love her? Not me. Love him? I couldn't possibly love him. Now, listen.

Just then you say, Lord, love them through me. Lord, you're my love. It's amazing, my friend, what you will find the Lord Himself doing through you, as you appropriate Him as the life of your life.

You're in Christ, and Christ, by His Spirit, now lives in you. Have you learned this secret? We're reconciled to God by the death of His Son, but we are being saved by His life. His resurrection life is not our life.

We're going to deal with that one of these days. I want you to think of it now. We're adjoined here with Christ.

All the Father's given to the Son, we share with Him here and now. As every member of Romans 5, verse 17, reign with Christ in life now. Not just in the coming day, we will, but here and now, reign with Christ in life over sin.

Romans 6, verse 14 says, sin shall not have dominion over you. And the Southern Pope says in his chorus, oh, what a glorious message, and it's true. God has said it.

It must stand. Pass it on. It's simply grand.

Sin shall not have dominion over you. The sin principle is there, and will be there to the end of the chapter, but sin must not reign in our mortal body. And remember that we shall reign in life over sin, reign in life over circumstances.

What does it say in Romans chapter 8, verse 37? We are more than conquerors through Him loved us. Isn't that precious now? Verse number 36 says that same chapter, verse 35 rather, who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, persecution, famine, nakedness, perils, or thorns? Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loves us. I am persuaded, said the old warrior, neither death nor life to extreme stake, nor power, superhuman intelligence, think present, think to come, all time which is hour, height or depth, the dimension of space, nor power to any other creature, celestial, terrestrial, or infernal, in heaven or air or hell, angels, men, or demons, no power, nor any creature can separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Aren't you glad, dear child of God? Amen? Oh, the joy of recognizing, my friend, we are in Christ, in Christ. Let the wonder come over your spirit life this morning. Look up and say, Lord, I can't quite understand all this, but Lord, I believe with all my heart, Lord, I am Thee.

In Thee and now did me, Lord, do the very love of my life, and now I can say triumphantly, we are more than conquerors, where? Through Him that loved us. So, in Christ, we're reigning with Him in life over sin. We must trust in life over circumstances, in the circumstances, but never under them.

Two evangelist men in Scotland some years ago, one said that, how are you, my brother? He said, I'm not so bad under the circumstances. What on earth are you doing there? In them, but never under them. Isn't that true? We are reigning with Christ in life over our circumstances.

And lastly, Revelation 16, verse number 20, what is it saying? Reigning with Christ in life over Satanic influence. I want to get these three points and be a blessing to you. One, reigning with Christ in life over sin.

Reigning with Christ in life over circumstances. Reigning with Christ in life over Satan. Romans 16, 20 says, as you tread Satan under your feet, whose feet? The feet of the saints.

Oh, isn't that wonderful? Isn't that wonderful? Some years ago, quite a number of years ago, in the home of Lady Power's Court, a lot of those great celebratories and great theologians of that present day, and they were talking about the various members of the body. And those in spirit, they were saying, one would like to be a knob, another would like to be a hand, another would like to be a knife, another would like to be a boot, and so on. One of the old ladies sitting there, never opened her mouth.

So the man I referred to a moment ago, John Nelson Darby, said to her, my dear sister, you're in the body, what would you like to be? Oh, she said, I would like to be a heel. I would like to be a heel. Says, why is that? Well, it said, we're going to tread, he's going to tread Satan under his heel.

I would like to give him such a smashing. I would like to give him such a smashing. She would like to be a heel.

Dear child of God, where are you this morning, eh? Thank God we're in the body, and we're in Christ, and we're joined heirs with Christ. Oh, the joy of recognizing this this morning. D.L. Moody said in a little note yesterday, we are more than angels, we're higher than angels, and he said, you know, the Rothschild family of America are so wealthy, no computers can compute the wealth that belongs to them.

And he said, I'm so wealthy in Christ, I joined heir in Christ. Oh, he said, my inheritance is just so real, so beautiful, I can't even begin to imagine what belongs to me. Do you know what belongs to you because you're in Christ? The wonder of it all.

But it's just wonderful. Now, I've got to give him a cross, because I draw to a close. Though I wish I were just starting.

And it says in the capital, H-E-I-R still spells heir. And so now know this, because we're near, this is a heavenly calling, it's a heavenly inheritance. So, in Hebrews chapter three, verse number one, it is a heavenly calling, is a heavenly inheritance.

And then remember, in Timothy, the first chapter, Timothy, the first letter rather, and chapter one, verse number nine, it is a holy inheritance, holy, and we're called with a holy calling. And then remember, in Philippians chapter three, verse number 14, is a high calling, it is a high inheritance. And this spiritual, this heavenly, this holy, this high inheritance is all ours, because we're heirs, and John heirs with Jesus Christ.

Let the wonder come over you, my friend, right now. Just think what you've been brought into. Oh, how wealthy you are.

It is an eternal inheritance. Just remember, in Hebrews chapter nine, and verse number 15, he is the one who, by the eternal spirit, has obtained an eternal redemption for us, has also is obtained for us an eternal inheritance. I like this, don't you? It is an eternal inheritance, not just for time present, but for all eternity, for you're to share with him all the father has given into his hand, and I, it is an incorruptible inheritance.

Remember, it says in 1 Peter chapter one, verse number four, he's given to us an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled, that fit us not away. Going back over the screen now, incorruptible, it is death proof. Goals can never touch you.

Goals can never destroy you. Sometimes, you know, you leave your will, you leave your inheritance, my friend, to your son, an heir, or your daughter, heiress, whatever the case may be, but once the lawyer, and all these others, unless you've left your will, in a way, as all of us are having to do with it, whatever, and I trust you to put that straight, by the way, okay? It's good to be sure about that, you know, in the light of eternity. Whatever's up, you know, sometimes, you know, they're done out of it, they're done out of it.

Somebody else comes along and makes a claim here, and my friend, if one was the heir to it all, unless your will's been done properly, and is in order, they'll lose out. One thing I like about this inheritance, no one can rob me of it. You know why? Because the one who gave it to me arose from the dead, you see, I

wasn't done out of it.

Isn't that good? I'll go slow, because I won't get there. The one who left it to me has risen from the dead, to be perfectly clear that no one will rob me of it. The one who died now lives, and lives in a part of an endless life.

So, it is death-proof, and then it is undefiled, it is dust-proof. The dust will never settle upon this inheritance, and then it's decay-proof. It fades not away.

Get those three Ds, and you go back over them. They'll be a blessing to you. It's death-proof, it's incorruptible.

It's dust-proof, it's undefiled. It's decay-proof, it fades not away, and it's reserved in heaven for you. The same word that is there is the word kept.

Kept by the power of God, through faith, unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time. So, there you have it. First of all, this inheritance to which we have heirs, is a heavenly, holy, high inheritance.

It is, beloved, an eternal inheritance. It is an incorruptible inheritance that is ours. It is a royal inheritance.

Really, you go back to Genesis 5, and verse 34. It is a royal inheritance. It's an inheritance we get from the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.

Then again, it is a rich inheritance. Ephesians chapter 1, verse number 18, speaks about the riches of glory, which is our inheritance in Christ. Then, it is a rewarding inheritance, because the inheritance came to the saint in light.

Be a good man. It is heavenly, it is holy, it is high, it is eternal, it's incorruptible, it is royal, it is rich, it is rewarding. Now, this can all be yours, because this morning you're in Christ.

Aren't you glad you're in Christ? And just as the measure is in the envelope and sealed, as the colony hides in the rock, as no one, all his family are in the ark, safe and secure, so the Bible says, there is there for now no judgment for them that are in Christ Jesus. And we're going to sing now 265. Two hundred and sixty-five.

Then through him. Thank you for your rapt attention, and we trust the Lord bless his word to you, and that you'll possess your possessions this morning in Christ Jesus, and be much in prayer regarding the meeting today. We can be of any help to anyone.

Don't be afraid to talk to us. We're here to help you. Anyone you'd like us to visit, then do make it known to us too.

We'll all be too happy to go and see them. 265. Completely.

Thank you. We thank thee, blessed Father, for the divine revelation to the Holy Scripture in the energy of the Holy Spirit that gives us this morning of our beloved Lord Jesus, and we thank thee for that revelation that we are complete in him. Help us, O God, to recognize the value and the import of this as we journey throughout this day.

Keep us, O God, walking as the aristocracy of heaven, heaven down here on the campus, heaven in the city, heaven in the home, heaven in the office, for where Jesus is, says heaven there. O God, bless this company, we pray, and know the heart of each one bowed before thee, the longings, the yearnings may thy great desire be brought out in all of our lives. Now part with thy blessing, order our conversation, keep it in the hollow of thy hand, may we walk before thee in the land of the living.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Redeemer, to whom be glory both now and for evermore. Amen.

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