

The Mary Miracle Basis

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Luke 1:28-35 And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!" But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. "And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?" And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.

Luke 1:36-38 "Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. **"For with God nothing will be impossible."** Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

Luke 1:39-45 Now Mary arose in those days and went into the hill country with haste, to a city of Judah, and entered the house of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. Then she spoke out with a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! "But why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For indeed, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. **Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord."**

Luke 1:46-55 And Mary said: "My soul magnifies the Lord, And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with His arm; he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever."

The Mary Miracle [Luke 1:26-55]

The God who chose a virgin girl as the avenue through whom He would miraculously give mankind his greatest gift is still working that "Mary" kind of miracle today.

What the Almighty did in the physical/biological realm: supernaturally begetting life, promise, and hope where NONE existed, He is fully READY and ABLE to do NOW in virtually any realm.

He does this SAME KIND of THING TODAY: in marriages, businesses, in hearts, minds, and souls.

Where life or love, hope or strength, promise or patience have disappeared.

The promises of God are brought to me, to grow inside me, that God may work through me, to change the world around me.

"You mustn't think too small"

"You mustn't think too small, or you'll get in My way."

"I've set myself to do a great work."

When God SPEAKS, be on the guard against:

- ◆ Silly notions:
"Hi there, this is God! I think I'll do something great with your life...so quit your job, leave your wife, abandon your kids and go to India next Thursday!"
- ◆ Deception
Any word that does not align itself with God's word...
 - 1) I don't need to announce it to others
 - 2) I'm not required to prove it by loveless deeds or actions or words
 - 3) It isn't mine fulfill
- ◆ Mysticism
The idea that only a SELECT breed of PENSIVE, RECLUSIVE, RELIGIOUSLY inclined souls ever HEAR the voice of God.. WORKING MEN and BUSY WOMEN
- ◆ Fear
Fear of the cost of commitment
Fear of failure
God's promise is not a threat, but a promise of possibility
- ◆ Self-Importance
"I'm going to make you the greatest person in history"
The FOCUS is ALWAYS on His greatness... not ours...

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The Mary miracle starts with the living God ready to work something of His releasing grace... and continues with His finding someone WILLING to BECOME an INSTRUMENT of GRACE.

AS AMAZING as God's will to COME FROM HEAVEN to EARTH... is His choice to REVEAL Himself through the FABRIC and FRAME of HUMANKIND....

The miracle is:

- 1) TRANSCENDENT: God came to us
- 2) REDEEMING: Receive the savior as Lord and Savior
- 3) CONTINUING: The WAY God works redemptively...

The pattern of Mary's miracle is one which God would work in our life as well....the promise of God are:

- 1) Brought to us
 - Mary: the announcement
 - Us: concerning areas of need, hope, or longing you are aware of – where God's grace and power are needed
- 2) To grow inside of us
 - Mary: the conception
 - Us: receive His word, entertain the possibility that there is nothing too hard for God
- 3) To be delivered through us
 - Mary: the birth
 - Us: a humble vessel, submitted to His grace, dependent upon His power
- 4) To change the world around us
 - Mary: the cross
 - Us: family, relationships, neighborhood, city, nation, church, circumstances

THINK ORDINARY:

- 1) Nazareth....
 - Was Mary at prayer or washing the clothes?
 - Was there a shaft of light upon her or a streak of perspiration?
 - Was she at a quiet convenient time, or was this an interruption

- **Mary was chosen (so are we)**

Eph 1:4 just as He **chose** us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we **should be holy** and **without blame before Him in love**.

- **Mary was an ordinary woman in an ordinary place (so are we)**
- **Mary was blessed (so are we), but her blessedness was based on God's**

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GABRIEL'S GREETING: How can Gabriel not scare the tar out of her??

ELIZABETH'S BLESSED: How can Mary explain what has happened??

MARY'S THOUGHTS.

Luke 1:28 And having come in, the angel said to her, "**Rejoice[chairo], highly favored one [charitoo]**, the Lord is with you; **blessed [eulogeo]** are you among women!"

Luke 1:42 Then she spoke out with a loud voice and said, '**Blessed [eulogeo]** are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!

Luke 1:48 For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me **blessed [makarizo]**.

5487 **charitoo** (khar-ee-to'-o); from 5485; to grace, i.e. indue with special honor: KJV-- make accepted, be highly favoured. 1) to make graceful; charming, lovely, agreeable 2) to peruse with grace, to compass with favor 3) to honor with blessings> Only 1 other usage in the NT:

Eph 1:6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He has made us **accepted** in the Beloved.

5463 **chairo** (khah'-ee-ro); a primary verb; to be "cheerful", i.e. calmly happy or well-off; impersonally, especially as salutation (on meeting or parting), be well: KJV-- farewell, be glad, God speed, greeting, hall, joy (-fully), rejoice.

2127 **eulogeo** (yoo-log-eh'-o); from a compound of 2095 and 3056; to speak well of, i.e. (religiously) to bless (thank or invoke a benediction upon, prosper): KJV-- bless, praise.

3106 **makarizo** (mak-ar-id'-zo); fom 3107; to beatify, i.e. pronounce (or esteem) fortunate: KJV-- call blessed, count happy.

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Col 1:25-27 of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God which was given to me for you, to fulfill the word of God, the mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints. To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

2 Cor 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.

Phil 2:13 for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.

It is clear God wants to do similar things in us:

- 1> He wants to beget Christ in us
- 2> He wants to work glory within ordinary humanity
- 3> He is able to accomplish His will in and through us

What is a major area that stunts our growth: lack of belief in what God will do combined with condemnation for both our past failures and our present inadequacies.. Everything done in Mary was by 1) His Promise and 2) His Power

NOTE HER RESPONSE!!!! Nothing is too hard for God!!!

Realize:

#1 We are SAINTS

Ps 50:5-6 "Gather My saints together to Me, **those who have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice.**" Let the heavens declare His righteousness, for God Himself is Judge. Selah

2 Cor 5:17-21 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a **(1) new** creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, **(2) not imputing their trespasses to them**, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation. Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, **(3) that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.**

- (1) He made us completely new
- (2) Our past record is entirely cleared
- (3) Christ's holiness is entirely ours

#2 We are WASHED, SANCTIFIED, AND JUSTIFIED

1 Cor 6:9-11 Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

#3 We are VIRGINS

2 Cor 11:2 For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

He makes us ALL these things so that He can beget something IN US....

Col 1:28 Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus

**God is begetting sons and daughters,
supernaturally, just as He did through the virgin Mary.**
Understand that you are being made a reflection of Jesus in this world!

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- I Jn 4:17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because **as He is, so are we in this world**.
- Rom 8:29 For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the **firstborn among many brethren**.

Just as the virgin birth was a necessity for Mary, it is a necessity for us: God wants to birth His Son in a clean vessel, one that has been made "pure".

The redeemer had to be:

- 1) Sired from outside Adam's race
- 2) Begotten from within it

Jesus, as the second Adam, was the progenitor of a NEW order. He was the ONLY begotten of the Father (according to FLESH). He was the FIRSTBORN....

- Col 1:15 He is the image of the invisible God, the **firstborn over all creation**.
- Col 1:18 And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the **firstborn from the dead**, that in all things He may have the preeminence.
- Heb 1:6 But when He again brings the **firstborn into the world**, He says: "Let all the angels of God worship Him."

He is FIRSTBORN (meaning the PROGENITOR of that order of creation)

- 1) among many brethren (those who will choose to obey the will of God)
- 2) over all creation (holding the rights of the firstborn, and therefore given all authority over it- as a **man**)
- 3) from dead (being the first to die, be resurrected, and then never taste death again!)
- 4) into the world

What is that order of creation??

- Gal 4:4-5 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the **adoption** as sons.
- Rom 1:3-4 concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the seed of David **according to the flesh**, and declared to be the Son of God with power **according to the Spirit of holiness**, by the resurrection from the dead.
- 1 Cor 15:48-50 As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust; and as is the heavenly Man, so also are those who are heavenly. And as we have **borne the image of the man of dust**, we shall also **bear the image of the heavenly Man**. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.

That order of creation is one where God births new life and then seals those in whom new life is given. It involves (for Jesus), being begotten of a virgin and birthed as a child. It involves (for us), being begotten of God through ADOPTION, birthed by the Spirit as a NEW creation (2 Cor 5:17).

According to the flesh, we are all of Adam's race and seed. According to the Spirit, believers are now all of Christ's race and seed.

What is God birthing in us??

He is begetting sons and daughters who now will obey His will. A new order of creation, with a new order of purpose and destiny apart from the sinful line of Adam. Just as He birthed the Son of God supernaturally in Mary, so now He is birthing that same person, with the same attributes in US.

What were told about that Child??

Luke 1:31-33 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and **bring forth** a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. "He will be **(1) great**, and **(2) will be called the Son of the Highest**; and the Lord God **(3) will give Him the throne of His father David**. "And **He will reign** over the house of Jacob forever, **(4) and of His kingdom there will be no end.**"

Isa 9:6-7 For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called **(5) wonderful, (6) Counselor, (7) Mighty God, (8) everlasting Father, (9) Prince of Peace. (4) Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end, (3) upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that time forward, even forever.** The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this. [Eph 2:26/Phil 2:10]

Isa 7:14 "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name **(10) Immanuel.**

(1) He will be GREAT in you

I Jn 4:4 You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is **greater** than he who is in the world.

I Jn 5:4 For **whatever is born of God** overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world-- our faith.

- Our flesh will never overcome the world or satan (he who is in the world). Only that which is BORN of God will OVERCOME.
- Our flesh will destroy us (sow to the flesh, reap destruction: sow to the Spirit, reap life everlasting)
- He who is in the world is out to kill, steal, and destroy from your life.
- But the GREATER one IN you is more powerful .. you must say NO through the GREATER one
- We all have "buttons" that our adversary know how to push... they are areas of weakness that are associated with our fallen, unredeemed nature (our flesh). YOUR ADVERSARY will ATTEMP to PUSH that BUTTON.
- Consider the "buttons" of great spiritual giants of the Bible:
 - Moses - anger (killed Egyptian, struck rock instead of speaking to it)
 - David - lust (Bathsheeba)
 - Peter - self confidence ("Lord I will never deny you")
 - Paul - spiritual pride (thorn in the flesh had to be given)
 - Abraham/Isaac - lying
- We must speak to our SOUL, just as David did:
 - "Soul, why are you disquieted within me"
 - "Soul, why are you downcast"
 - "Soul, shut up...."
 - "Soul, why are you looking at that..."

Jesus will be GREAT in us... to help us overcome the devil, the world, and our flesh.

I Jn 3:20 For if our heart condemns us, **God is greater than our heart**, and knows all things.

- Our heart condemns us when we fail God
- Be of good cheer!! God is able to accomplish His will in our life.
- Trust Him... yield to Him.
- The voice of the enemy says: "you messed up again... how do you call yourself a Christian; there you go again, missing the mark. You will never be victorious; just quit trying. Don't expect God's help now—he will never take you back after all this."
- The voice of the Spirit says: "Change your mind, repent, you CAN do it; God is able to set you free; you CAN be holy and righteous. The blood of Jesus is ALL you need. Run to me, come to me. Quit being afraid. I know your weakness but I also know what I can do IN you. Believe that I can change you; believe that you can do God's will"

Eph 1:19 and what is the **exceeding greatness** of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power

- ◆ The GREATER one lives in us as HE IS, not as WE ARE
- ◆ His power toward us is EXCEEDINGLY GREAT. With Him

Seek and pray until the power of the GREATER one is flowing and active in your life!

Ps 77:13 Your way, O God, is in the sanctuary; who is so **great** a God as our God?

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Ps 86:10 For You are **great**, and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

Ps 95:3 For the LORD is the **great** God, and the great King above all gods.

Mark 5:19 However, Jesus did not permit him, but said to him, "Go home to your friends, and **tell them what great things the Lord has done for you**, and how He has had compassion on you."

Let the Greater One speak through you to others...

(2) He will be called Son of the Most Highest [we are adopted]

Gal 3:26-27 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

Rom 8:14-17 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father." The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs-- heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.

- Faith is the ONLY requirement for adoption as "sons" and "daughters"
- There are no "distant" relatives in the family.. no uncles, aunts, cousins, or in-laws. You are either a "son" or you are not in the family! No one can ride in on the spiritual "coat-tails" of another person.

Gal 4:4-7 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

- ◆ The fullness of time: sometimes the fullness of time has not come in someone's life. Keep praying and trusting for them.

Matt 18:3-4 and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

- We must become a "child" in order to be adopted. This is the "Spirit of Sonship"... calling us always back to trust God with the simple faith of a child.

THE SPIRIT OF THIS WORLD	THE SPIRIT OF SONSHIP
Slaves to Sin	Slaves to Righteousness
Alienated	Adopted
Treated as a slave	Treated as a son
No rights	Full rights of an heir

You are either a child of God or a child of the devil... there is no middle line.

John 8:44 You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.

Eph 5:6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.

Col 3:6 Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience,

(3) He will be given a throne... a Kingdom to rule over ... to order and establish it

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- Heb 1:13 But to which of the angels has He ever said: "Sit at My right hand, **till I make Your enemies Your footstool**"?
- Col 3:15-16 And let the **peace of God rule in your hearts**, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.
- Rom 5:17 For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness **will reign in life** through the One, Jesus Christ.)
- Rom 6:11-14 Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. For sin shall not have **dominion** over you, for you are not under law but under grace.
- Col 1:13 He has **delivered us from the power of darkness** and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,

Rule and Reign: GROWING the NATURE of Christ

- Growth
- Order
- Set in Place
- "Elders" at the City Gate (those with wisdom determines what comes in and what goes out)
- Take EVERY thought

2 Cor 10:4-6 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

James 4:7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

FLOWING the POWER of Christ

- Matt 28:18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.
- Acts 1:8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."
- Mark 1:15 "The time is fulfilled, and the **kingdom of God** is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."
- Rom 14:17 for the **kingdom of God** is *not eating and drinking*, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

Where Jesus reigns, his rule is in EFFECT.

Where Jesus grants authority, His power will be MANIFESTED.

God's Kingdom does not come uninvited.

It does come through invitation....

Our Father... hallowed be your name, thy kingdom come

1 Cor 4:20 For the **kingdom of God** is *not in word* but in power.

Luke 21:31 "So you also, when you see these things happening, know that the **kingdom of God** is near.

Luke 17:20-21 Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, "The **kingdom of God** *does not come with observation*; "nor will they say, 'See here!' or 'See there!' For indeed, the **kingdom of God** is within you."

(4) Of His Kingdom there will be no end...

Heb 7:24-25 But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood. **Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him**, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

John 14:12-14 "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.

Gal 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. **Against such there is no law**

1 Pet 1:2 elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied.

2 Pet 1:2 Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord,

Jude 1:2 Mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

Rom 6:22-23 But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, **and the end, everlasting life**. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. [The END is JUST the beginning!!!!]

Gal 6:8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap **everlasting life**.

(5) Wonderful [full of Wonder]

- Ps 40:5 Many, O LORD my God, are Your wonderful works which You have done; and Your thoughts toward us cannot be recounted to You in order; if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.
- Ps 111:4 He has made His wonderful works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- Job 42:3-5 You asked, 'Who is this who hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. Listen, please, and let me speak; you said, 'I will question you, and you shall answer Me.' "I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees You.

(6) Counselor [Jehovah, my Shepherd, my Waymaker]

- John 14:15-17 If you love Me, keep My commandments. And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever-- "the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.
- II Th 2:16-17 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting consolation and good hope by grace, comfort your hearts and establish you in every good word and work.

(7) Mighty God

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- Col 1:29 To this end I also labor, striving according to **His working which works in me mightily.**
- Eph 1:17-21 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, **and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places,** far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come.
- 1 Pet 5:6 Therefore humble yourselves under **the mighty hand of God,** that He may exalt you in due time,
- 2 Cor 13:3 since you seek a proof of Christ speaking in me, **who is not weak toward you, but mighty in you.**
- 2 Cor 13:4 For though **He was crucified in weakness, yet He lives by the power of God.** For we also are weak in Him, **but we shall live with Him by the power of God toward you.**
- 2 Cor 10:4 For the **weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God** for pulling down strongholds,

(8) Everlasting Father

- Heb 9:14-15 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the **eternal inheritance.**
- Mark 14:36 And He said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what You will."
- Rom 8:15 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."
- Gal 4:6-7 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

(9) Prince of Peace

- Ps 94:19 In the multitude of my anxieties within me, your comforts delight my soul.

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- Ps 112:7-8 He will not be afraid of evil tidings; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD. His heart is established; he will not be afraid, until he sees his desire upon his enemies.
- Phil 4:6-7 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.
- Col 3:15-16 And let the **peace of God rule in your hearts**, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.
- John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.
- Col 1:19-22 For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross. And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight—

This truth makes for a unity in your personal and community life. This God has the power within Himself to unify everything in your life (bring harmony) because by His very nature he is One God. Eph 6:15-> peace means a harmony in every aspect of your life. In other words, we do not have to ask for God to bring order and peace into our lives-- By his VERY NATURE, when you accept Him into your life, He WILL bring about harmony, peace-- a state where things in your life fall into place in the right order- maybe not immediately, but it will happen as you walk with Him and yield your life to Him.

1515 eirene-

- 1) a state of national tranquillity, exemption from the rage and havoc of war
- 2) peace between individuals, that is, harmony, concord
- 3) security, safety, prosperity, felicity, (because peace and harmony make and keep things safe and prosperous)
- 4) used of the Messiah's peace, the way that leads to peace (salvation)
- 5) used of Christianity, the tranquil state of a soul assured of its salvation through Christ, and so fearing nothing from God and content with its earthly lot, of whatsoever sort that is
- 6) the blessed state of devout and upright men after death, probably from a primary verb eiro (to join); peace (literally or figuratively); by implication, prosperity: KJV-- one, peace, quietness, rest, + set at one again.

- Rom 14:17 for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.
- Rom 15:13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Rom 15:33 Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.
- Rom 16:20 And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

(10) Immanuel (God With Us)

- Rev 21:3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

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- Eph 2:14-16 For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity.
- Gen 26:24 And the LORD appeared to him the same night and said, "I am the God of your father Abraham; do not fear, for I am with you. I will bless you and multiply your descendants for My servant Abraham's sake."
- Gen 28:15 "Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you."
- Gen 17:4 "As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you shall be a father of many nations.
- Gen 21:22 And it came to pass at that time that Abimelech and Phichol, the commander of his army, spoke to Abraham, saying, "God is with you in all that you do.
- Deut 31:23 Then He inaugurated Joshua the son of Nun, and said, "Be strong and of good courage; for you shall bring the children of Israel into the land of which I swore to them, and I will be with you."
- Deut 31:8 "And the LORD, He is the one who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed."
- Matt 28:20 "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.
- John 14:16 "And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever--
- John 14:23 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.