

MESSAGE

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TITLE : THE ABC OF THE BELIEVER'S RICHES IN CHRIST
Text/s :

Col 1:27-28

27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:

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Eph 2:4-7

4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

6 And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

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Bible Reading :
Song/s :

INTRODUCTION

Let's do an ABC of the riches of God's grace upon us.

A) Accepted in the Beloved

Eph 1:6

6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

5487 charitoo (khar-ee-to'-o); from 5485; to grace, i.e. indue with special honor: KJV-- make accepted, be highly favoured.

5487 charitoo-

1) to make graceful; charming, lovely, agreeable

2) to peruse with grace, to compass with favor

3) to honor with blessings

Rom 3:22

22 Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:

1 Pet 2:5

5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

B) Born of God

1 Jn 5:1

1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.

1080 gennao (ghen-nah'-o); from a variation of 1085; to procreate (properly, of the father, but by extension of the mother); figuratively, to regenerate: KJV-- bear, beget, be born, bring forth, conceive, be delivered of, gender, make, spring.

I Jn 5:4

4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

C) Crucified with Christ, nevertheless living by the faith of Christ.

Gal 2:20

20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

4957 sustauroo (soos-tow-ro'-o); from 4862 and 4717; to impale in company with (literally or figuratively): KJV-- crucify with.

Rom 6:4-18

4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:

6 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.

7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.

8 Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:

9 Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

10 For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

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

15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.

16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

Gal 5:24-26

24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

D) Delivered from the Power of darkness

Col 1:13

13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

4506 rhoumai (hroo'-om-ahée); middle voice of an obsolete verb, akin to 4482 (through the idea of a current; compare 4511); to rush or draw (for oneself), i.e. rescue: KJV-- deliver (-er).

Acts 26:18

18 To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

E) Enriched in everything in Him

1 Cor 1:5

5 That in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge;

4148 ploutizo (plootid'-zo); from 4149; to make wealthy (figuratively): KJV-- en- (make) rich.

4148 ploutizo-

1) to make rich, to enrich; used of spiritual riches

2) to be richly furnished

2 Cor 9:11

11 Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God.

Eph 2:7

7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

F) Forgiven for Christ's sake

Eph 4:32

32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

5483 charizomai (khar-id'-zom-ahee); middle voice from 5485; to grant as a favor, i.e. gratuitously, in kindness, pardon or rescue: KJV-- deliver, (frankly) forgive, (freely) give, grant.

G) Grounded in love

Eph 3:17

17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

2311 themelioo (them-el-ee-o'-o); from 2310; to lay a basis for, i.e. (literally) erect, or (figuratively) consolidate: KJV-- (lay the) found (-ation), ground, settle.

2311 themelioo-

1) to lay the foundation, to found

2) to make stable, to establish

Matt 7:24-25

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

Luke 6:48

48 He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.

H) Hid with Christ in God

Col 3:3

3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

2928 krupto (kroop'-to); a primary verb; to conceal (properly, by covering): KJV-- hide (self), keep secret, secret [-ly].

2928 krupto-

1) to hide, to conceal, to be hidden

2) to escape notice

3) metaphorically, to conceal (that it may not become known)

1 Cor 2:14

14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Phil 4:7

7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

I) Instructed in the way of the Lord

Acts 18:25

25 This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.

2727 katecheo (kat-ay-kheh'-o); from 2596 and 2279; to sound down into the ears, i.e. (by implication) to indoctrinate ("catechize") or (genitive case) to apprise of: KJV-- inform, instruct, teach.

Gen 18:19

19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

J) Justified by His grace

Titus 3:7

7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

1344 dikaioo (dik-ah-yo'-o); from 1342; to render (i.e. show or regard as) just or innocent: KJV-- free, justify (-ier), be righteous.

1344 dikaioo-

1) to render righteous or such he ought to be

2) to show, exhibit, evince, one to be righteous, such as he is and wishes himself to be considered

3) to declare, to pronounce one to be just, righteous, or such as he ought to be

Rom 3:24

24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

Rom 5:1-2

1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

K) Kept by the Power of God

1 Pet 1:5

5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

5432 phroureo (froo-reh'-o); from a compound of 4253 and 3708; to be a watcher in advance, i.e. to mount guard as a sentinel (post spies at gates); figuratively, to hem in, protect: KJV-- keep (with a garrison). Compare 5083.

5432 phroureo-

1) to guard, to protect by a military guard, either to prevent hostile invasion, or to keep the inhabitants of a besieged city from flight

2) metaphorically:

a) under the control of the Mosaic law, so that he might not escape from its power

b) to protect by guarding, to keep

c) by watching and guarding to preserve one for the attainment of something

1 Sam 2:9

9 He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail.

Ps 37:23-25

- 23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.
24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth him with his hand.
25 I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

Ps 37:28

- 28 For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

Ps 125:1-2

- 1 They that trust in the LORD shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever.
2 As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the LORD is round about his people from henceforth even for ever.

Isa 54:17

- 17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.

John 10:28-30

- 28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.
29 My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.
30 I and my Father are one.

Rom 8:31-39

- 31 What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?
32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?
33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.
34 Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.
35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
36 As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.
37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.
38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,
39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

L) Led by the Spirit of God

Rom 8:14

- 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

71 ago (ag'-o); a primary verb; properly, to lead; by implication, to bring, drive, (reflexively) go, (specially) pass (time), or (figuratively) induce: KJV-- be, bring (forth), carry, (let) go, keep, lead away, be open.

71 ago-

1) to lead, to take with one

a) to lead by laying hold of, and this way to bring to the point of destination: of an animal

b) to lead by accompanying to (into) a place

c) to lead with oneself, to attach to oneself as an attendant

d) to conduct, to bring

e) to lead away, to a court of justice, magistrate, etc.

2) to lead,

a) to lead, to guide, to direct

- b) to lead through, to conduct (to something)
- c) to move, to impel: used of forces and influences on the mind
- 3) to pass a day, to keep or celebrate a feast, etc.
- 4) to go, to depart

Rom 8:5

- 5 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

Rom 8:1-2

- 1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
- 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

M) Made Nigh by the Spirit of God

Eph 2:13

- 13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

1451 eggus (eng-gooos'); from a primary verb agcho (to squeeze or throttle; akin to the base of 43); near (literally or figuratively, of place or time): KJV-- from at hand, near, nigh (at hand, unto), ready.

Acts 15:14

- 14 Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name.

Eph 2:19

- 19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

N) Nourished in the Words of Faith

1 Tim 4:6

- 6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.

1789 entrepho (en-tref'-o); from 1722 and 5142; (figuratively) to educate: KJV-- nourish up in.

5142 trepho (tref'-o); a primary verb (properly, threpho; but perhaps strength. from the base of 5157 through the idea of convolution); properly, to stiffen, i.e. fatten (by implication, to cherish [with food, etc.], pamper, rear): KJV-- bring up, feed, nourish.

Eph 4:15-16

- 15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:
- 16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

Col 3:16

- 16 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.

O) Ordained to Eternal Life

Acts 13:48

- 48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.

5021 tasso (tas'-so); a prolonged form of a primary verb (which latter appears only in certain tenses); to arrange in an orderly manner, i.e. assign or dispose (to a certain position or lot): KJV-- addict, appoint, determine, ordain, set.

Eph 1:11-12

- 11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:
12 That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

P) Perfected Forever

Heb 10:14

- 14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

5048 teleioo (tel-i-o'-o); from 5046; to complete, i.e. (literally) accomplish, or (figuratively) consummate (in character): KJV-- consecrate, finish, fulfil, make) perfect.

Heb 7:25

- 25 Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

James 1:4

- 4 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.
KJV

Eph 4:13

- 13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:
KJV

Heb 10:1

- 1 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.

Q) Quickened together with Christ

Eph 2:5

- 5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

4806 suzoopoieo (sood-zo-op-oy-eh'-o); from 4862 and 2227; to reanimate conjointly with (figuratively): KJV-- quicken together with.

4806 suzoopoieo- to make one alive together; used of Christians (with Christ)

Eph 2:1

- 1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;

1 Cor 15:45

- 45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.
KJV

Col 2:13

- 13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;
KJV

R) Redeemed from the Curse of the Law

Gal 3:13

- 13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

1805 exagorazo (ex-ag-or-ad'-zo); from 1537 and 59; to buy up, i.e. ransom; figuratively, to rescue from loss (improve opportunity): KJV-- redeem.

1805 exagorazo-

1) to redeem

a) by payment of a price to recover from the power of another, to ransom, to buy off

b) metaphorically, used of Christ freeing the elect from the dominion of the Mosaic Law at the price of his vicarious death

2) to buy up, to buy up for oneself, for one's use

to make wise and sacred use of every opportunity for doing good, so that zeal and well doing are as it were the purchase money by which we make the time our own

Rom 8:3

2 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

Rom 8:33

33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

KJV

Rom 8:2-4

2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

KJV

S) Sealed with the Holy Spirit of Promise

Eph 1:13

13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

4972 sphragizo (sfrag-id'-zo); from 4973; to stamp (with a signet or private mark) for security or preservation (literally or figuratively); by implication, to keep secret, to attest: KJV-- (set a, set to) seal up, stop.

4972 sphragizo- to set a seal upon, to mark with a seal, to seal

a) for security: from Satan

b) since things sealed up are concealed (as the contents of a letter), to hide, keep in silence, keep secret

c) in order to mark a person or a thing

1) to set a mark upon by the impress of a seal or a stamp

2) angels are said to be sealed by God

d) in order to prove, to confirm, or to attest a thing, to confirm authenticate, to place beyond doubt

1) used of a written document

2) to prove one's testimony to a person that he is what he professes to be

T) Translated into the kingdom of His dear Son

Col 1:13

13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

3179 methistemi (meth-is'-tay-mee); or (1 Cor. 13:2) methistano (meth-is-tan'-o); from 3326 and 2476; to transfer, i.e. carry away, depose or (figuratively) exchange, seduce: KJV-- put out, remove, translate, turn away.

3179 methistemi or methistano (1 Cor. 13:2)- to transpose, to transfer, to remove from one place to another

- a) used of change of situation or place
- b) to remove from the office of a steward
- c) to depart from life, to die

John 5:24

24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

2 Peter 1:11

11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

KJV

U) Unreproveable in His Sight

Col 1:22

22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:

410 anegkletos (an-eng'-klay-tos); from 1 (as a negative particle) and a derivative of 1458; unaccused, i.e. (by implication) irreproachable: KJV-- blameless.

410 anegkletos- that cannot be called into to account, unreproveable, unaccused, blameless

1Thes 3:13

13 To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.

1Thes 5:23

23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Tim 6:14

14 That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ:

V) Victorious through our Lord Jesus Christ

1 Cor 15:57

57 But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

W) Washed from our sins in His own blood

Rev 1:5

5 And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

Y) Yearned over by the Holy Spirit

Rom 8:26

26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

Z) Zealous of Good Works

Titus 2:14

14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

2207 zelotes-

- 1) one burning with zeal, a zealot
- 2) used of God as jealous of any rival and sternly vindicating his control
- 3) most eagerly desirous of, zealous for, a thing
 - a) to acquire a thing, (zealous of)
 - b) to defend and uphold a thing, vehemently contending for a thing