Financial freedom in Christ

Week 4

My Father & I are One! I Lack Nothing!

Romans 5:17: For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through the one man, how much more will those who <u>receive</u> God's abundant provision of grace and the gift of Righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ! NIV

<u>Receive</u> comes from the Greek word "Lambano" it means to take ownership of; to appropriate it for yourself; to not refuse or reject it

When you receive (Lambano) His gift of righteousness, you own your identity as a righteous, beloved child of God. You and your Father are One! You lack nothing because everything He is and everything He has is Yours! (Psalm 23:1)

Romans 8:15-17: 15 You did not receive the "spirit of religious duty," leading you back into the <u>fear of never being good enough</u>. But you have received the "Spirit of full acceptance," enfolding you into the family of God. And you will never feel orphaned, for as he rises up within us, our spirits join him in saying the words of tender affection, "Beloved Father!" 16 For the Holy Spirit makes God's fatherhood real to us as he whispers into our innermost being, "You are God's beloved child!" 17 And since we are his true children, we qualify to share all his treasures, for indeed, we are heirs of God himself. And since we are joined to Christ, we also inherit all that he is and all that he has. TPT

15 Now we call him, "Abba, Father." 17 And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. NLT

As a righteous, beloved Child of God:

- You don't lambano the spirit of religious duty which causes you to live in fear of never being good enough. You lambano the Spirit of full acceptance by receiving the gift of righteousness- You are a beloved child of the King of kings!
- Jesus qualified you to share all His treasures. You can rest in His love!
- You are an heir of God Himself! You inherited all that God is and all that He has!
- You are a joint heir with Jesus! You're an heir of His glory! You lack Nothing!

"Abba" is the Aramaic word that is equivalent to our modern day word "daddy." It implies intimacy with and complete dependency on the one who loves you and takes care of you.

1. Me & My Father are one! I lack Nothing! Fear has lost it's power in my life!

• When you live in union & communion with your good Father, fear loses it's power in your life! His Perfect Love Casts out all fear!

1 John 4:16-19:¹⁶And we know (are conscious of) and believe (adhere to and put faith in and rely on) the love God cherishes for us. God is love, and he who dwells and continues in love dwells and continues in God, and God dwells and continues in him. ¹⁷In this [union and communion with Him] love is brought to completion and attains perfection with us, that we may have confidence for the day of judgment [with assurance and boldness to face Him], because as He is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love [dread does not exist], but full-grown (complete, perfect) love turns fear out of doors and expels every trace of terror! For fear brings with it the thought of punishment, and [so] he who is afraid has not reached the full maturity of love [is not yet grown into love's complete perfection]. ¹⁹We love Him, because He first loved us. AMPC

- Fear brings with it the thought that you have to pay for your failures and mistakes, but when you receive His love (His gift of righteousness), it frees you from all guilt & fear
- As a son or daughter of God when you are tempted to be worried about your finances, you can call out Daddy, Father, I know you love me! You take care of me and abundantly provide for all my needs! Through union and communion with Him, love is brought to perfection in you
- His love is revealed in the promises you have in Jesus. He made you righteous and qualified you for every blessing in Christ. (Romans 8:39)
- He says "yes" to all of His promises to you in Christ (II Corinthians 1:20)

Hebrews 13:5-6 ⁵Let your character or moral disposition be free from love of money [including greed, avarice, lust, and craving for earthly possessions] and be satisfied with your present [circumstances and with what you have]; for He [God] Himself has said, I will not in any way fail you nor give you up nor leave you without support. [I will] not [I will] not, [I will] not in any degree leave you helpless nor forsake nor let [you] down (relax My hold on you)! [Assuredly not!] ⁶ So we take comfort *and* are encouraged *and* confidently *and* boldly say, The Lord is my Helper; I will not be seized with alarm [I will not fear or dread or be terrified]. What can man do to me? AMPC

• When you live in union and communion with your Heavenly Father, there's no need to be greedy or crave more money. You are happy and satisfied, knowing He will abundantly provide for you. He will never fail you nor leave you without support. He will not leave you helpless nor forsake you nor let you down. Everything He has already belongs to you. If He gave you His Son, then He will also freely and graciously give you every good thing. (Romans 8:32) You can rest in His love!

2. Me & My Father are One! I am an heir of His Glory! Romans 8:17

John 17:20-23

20 I ask not only for these disciples, but also for all those who will one day believe in me through their message. 21 I pray for them all to be joined together as one even as you and I, Father, are joined together as one. I pray for them to become one with us so that the world will recognize that you sent me. 22 For the very glory you have given to me I have given them so that they will be joined together as one and experience the same unity that we

enjoy. 23 You live fully in me and now I live fully in them so that they will experience perfect unity, and the world will be convinced that you have sent me, for they will see that you love each one of them with the same passionate love that you have for me. TPT

What does it mean to be an heir of His glory?

Glory, Glorious

1. doxa (G1391), "glory," primarily signifies an opinion, the honor resulting from a good opinion. It is the self-manifestation of Who He essentially is and does; the word denotes the manifested perfection of His character, especially His righteousness.

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The glory of God is the manifestation of His character; It is who God is. So in order to understand what it means to be an heir of His glory, you must know who your Daddy is?

Who's your Daddy? The King of kings-He is Love; He is Goodness; He is Wisdom; He is Guidance; He is Wealth; He is Grace; He is Favor; He is Peace; He is Success; He is Joy; He is Righteous; He is Worthy-You are made in His image. You have His DNA- Who He is and His unlimited, abundant resources are in you as His child. He has shared His life with you! You lack nothing!

When He gave you His glory, He gave you everything that He is and does. You have His love, goodness, wisdom, guidance, wealth, grace, favor, peace, righteousness, ability, power, success, and His joy in you. When He glorified you, He honored you by declaring His good opinion of you in Jesus! When your Daddy looks at you, He sees Himself! When you receive your new identity in Jesus as a gift of grace- you reign as a king in this life by declaring who you are as a beloved child of the King of kings: Me & My Father are One! I lack Nothing!

When you're tempted to be anxious, fearful, or worry about your finances, remember who your Daddy is and what He says about you- everything He is and has belongs to you, and He loves you unconditionally! Cry out, "Daddy, You love me and you take care of everything that concerns me!" Remember who you are: You have not received a spirit of slavery to put you in bondage to fear. You are a beloved child of the King of kings- Declare what He says about you, and you will live fearless in this world-and see the manifestation of His glory in your life! (II Corinthians 1:20)

3. Me & My Father are One! As He is So am I in this World! 1 John 4:17

What does it mean to receive (lambano) the Father's glory and live as One with Him? As We Behold Jesus as in a mirror we are transformed into His image 2 Cor. 3:18

Matthew 3:16-17

¹⁶ As soon as Jesus was baptized, he came up out of the water. Then heaven opened, and he saw God's Spirit coming down on him like a dove. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love, and I am very pleased with him." NCV

Matthew 4:3-4

³ The devil came to Jesus to tempt him, saying, "If you are the Son of God, tell these rocks to become bread." ⁴ Jesus answered, "It is written in the Scriptures, 'A person <u>lives</u> not on bread alone, but by everything God says. NCV

The word "Lives" in this verse come from the Greek word (Zao) & it means: to enjoy real life; to have true life (Strong's G2198). It is the verb form of Zoe (Strong's G2222) which means: "the Life that belongs to God." Zoe is a noun. When you believed on Jesus You were given the Life of God-eternal life. But Jesus explains in Matthew 4:4 how we enjoy the life of God. We enjoy (verb tense) the life of God by receiving everything He says about us!

Jesus received (Lambanoed) God's glory. He lived in union & communion with His Father

2 Peter 1:17

¹⁷ He received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." NIV

John 10:30-38

- My Father and I are one!
- I am God's beloved son!
- The Father is in me, & I am in the Father

John 5:32

• Everything my Father says about me is true!

John 12:50

• I don't speak on my own authority. What my Father says is eternal life & I only say what I hear my Father say!

John 17:24

• Father, You have loved me even before the world began. (Ephesians 1:4)

Jesus reigned in life by living as One with His Father! He received His glory and He lacked nothing! As He is so are you in this world! (Matt. 14:13-21; John 6:1-14; Matt. 17:24-27)

Me & My Father are One! I am One with More than Enough! I lack nothing! I am God's beloved child! My Father is in me & I am in the Father. Everything He says about me is true! I do not speak on my own authority. Everything my Father says is eternal life & I only say what I hear Him say! Father, you loved me & chose me in Christ even before the world began & I am holy and without fault in your eyes! (Ephesians 1:4)