BE RICH

THINGS THAT MONEY CAN'T BUY

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Big Idea:

Paul's letter to the Ephesians emphasized that every Believer is **Rich** because they are <u>IN Christ</u>.

We have everything we need because we have been adopted into the family of God.





Most used phrase throughout Ephesians



Underscores our privileged status.







SAINTS IN CHRIST (1:1)



BLESSED IN CHRIST (1:3)



CHOSEN IN CHRIST (1:4)



ADOPTED IN CHRIST (1:5)

Examine the wealth we receive b/c of Christ

Lavished w/love in Christ (1:6)

Redeemed & forgiven in Christ (1:7)

Participants in God's plan in Christ (1:11)

Glorified in Christ-sealed w/Holy Spirit (1:12-13)

Made alive in Christ (2:5-6)

Created in Christ (2:10)

Brought near to God in Christ (2:13)

Growing in Christ (2:21)

Built in Christ (2:22)

Sharers in God's promise in Christ (3:6)

The Source of the Blessings

Because of Christ's sacrifice we have an inheritance with God and have been <u>made rich</u> through his suffering sacrifice. We could never earn such favor! Therefore, we can only boast in the Lord.

The Scope of the Blessings

We have all Spiritual blessings which supersedes any temporal blessing. Our spiritual blessings can never be stolen, neither will they decay. They have been sealed through the work of the Holy Spirit.

The Sphere of the Blessings

Our blessings are not based on our merit, but the completed work of Christ. Though we remain in this world, we are citizens of heaven and have been seated in heavenly places.