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The Pastors Message:

What a Blessing.

"Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus," Hebrews 10:19

One day all Christians will be in heaven, and what a true blessing it will be. On this earth we will never have a true understanding what heaven will truly be like. What our new glorified bodies will be like, or what it means to have a glorified soul and spirit. We will one day realize what it will be like to see the throne of God and the throne on His right where our Saviour sits. The twenty-four thrones in front of God's throne where the twenty-four Elders will sit. I do not know who these Elders are, but what a blessing it would be to be one of them. What a blessing to think about the river that runs from the Throne of our Father through heaven. What a blessing it will be to be in the special place where Jesus has elected to make for us who are His. What a blessing it will be to see our Brothers and Sisters in heaven that we were with here on earth. I pray most of my family are there with me, what a blessing it would be, even though we are Brothers and Sisters there. Oh, how blessed we will be once we are with the Lord. However, as I have spoken of all these blessings, I have not spoken of a very great blessing, **the blessing of BEING GOD'S CHILDREN!** *"Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ."* Galatians 4:7 And to make it feel so more wonderful listen to this scripture, *"And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together."* Romans 8:17 While we may be adopted it does in any way lessen our value to God, because we are considered as much a child as Jesus is. **WHAT A TRUE BLESSING!** Yes indeed, one day soon we will understand what we read in the Holy Scriptures as it all becomes real to us, just how blessed we are. Oh, how I wished I could make it more real to you, but that day when faith is no longer needed it will be real to us, all blessings, all the time. Jesus prayed this prayer for us to soon see His glory, *"Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world."* John 17:24 While you would think we have reached the highest of God's blessings, I believe there is one more that must rate as the blessings of all blessings. That blessing is how we as sinners could ever be so blessed not only to one day stand in the kingdom of God, but before our Fathers Throne entirely and absolutely without one

accountable sin! Sometimes we remember our sins, Paul did "*Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.*" Philippians 3:6 I once knew a Pastor who had a sin in his past and thought God punished his sin with a child that had major issues. I do not believe God does that to His children, the child could have been given for many reasons. God forgives us our sins, cast them as far as the east is from the west, and while we may remember them, Jesus took them all to the cross and the Father has forgiven them through His glorious blood. My Brother Pastor is with the Lord now, and he no longer remembers that sin, praise the Lord. Folks, our glory is awaiting us, while we may not have the greatest of understanding now, we soon will and what a true blessing it will be, especially when we stand before God, 100% HOLY!!! Thank you, Jesus, for our blessings! "*The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.*" John 1:29

The Christian's never-failing resort in every case, in every plight

By Charles Spurgeon

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." Philippians 4:6

Prayer is the Christian's never-failing resort in every case, in every plight. When you cannot use your sword—you may take to the weapon of *all-prayer*. Your *gun-powder* may be damp, your *bow-string* may be broken—but the weapon of all-prayer need never be out of order. Leviathan laughs at the *javelin*—but he trembles at prayer. *Sword* and *spear* need furbishing—but prayer never rusts; and when we think it most blunt—it cuts the best.

Prayer is *an open door which none can shut!* Devils may surround you on all sides—but the way *upward* is always open, and as long as that road is unobstructed, you will not fall into the enemy's hand. We can never be taken by force or storm—so long as *heavenly help* comes down to us to support us in the time of our necessities.

Prayer is never out of season—in summer and in winter its merchandise is precious. *Prayer gains an audience with God*—in the dead of night, in the midst of business, in the heat of noonday, in the shadows of evening. In every condition, whether of poverty, or sickness, or obscurity, or slander, or sin—your covenant God will welcome your prayer and answer it from His holy place.

Nor is prayer ever futile. True *prayer* is evermore true *power*. You may not always get what you ask—but you shall always have your *real needs* supplied. When God does not answer His children according to the *letter*—He does so according to the *spirit*. If you ask for *coarse meal*—will you be angered because He gives you the *finest flour*? If you seek bodily health, should you complain if instead thereof—He makes your sickness turn to the healing of spiritual maladies? Is it not better to have the affliction *sanctified*, than *removed*? My soul, do not forget to offer your petition and request, for the Lord is ready to grant you your desires!

"Let us then approach the *throne of grace* with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need!" Hebrews 4:16

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"If you look for it as for silver and **search for it as for hidden treasure** — then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God!" Proverbs 2:4-5

Some look upon the Bible as a *garden of spices*, in which you may walk, and at your leisure pluck the flowers and gather the fruits of the Eden of God.

More truly is it a *mine*, in which you must dig and labor, the wealth of which is not to be obtained without labor — a mine rich in gold and precious things, but it must be wrought day and night in order to produce them.