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God's Inexpressible Gift!

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2 Corinthians 9:1-15

"... Thanks be to God for His inexpressible gift!"

Giving began with God!

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son..." John 3:16

Why did God give His only Son Jesus?

"For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him. Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because He has not believed in the name of the only Son of God." John 3:17-18

f Jesus came to communicate God's love and compassion to a world that is condemned because of its rejection of God and His Word.

Romans 1:18-32

"Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him." John 3:36

What does the gift of God's Son mean to us?

- ❖ We must first realize our miserable state.
 - ☐ Romans 3:10-18, 23
- ❖ God in His love and through His Son Jesus, gave us...
 - ... Justification!
 - "...justified by His grace as a gift, ..." Romans 3:24

Justify: "...to pardon and clear from guilt..." 1

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." Romans 8:1

... Redemption! We are bought out of slavery.

"who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy," Psalm 103:4 "The Lord redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned." Psalm 34:22

... Propitiation!

<u>Propitiation</u>: "The act of appeasing wrath..." ¹

☐ Romans 3:25-26

... Righteousness!

"...much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ." Romans 5:17

Righteousness: "...the conformity of heart and life to divine law..." 1

"For our sake he made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God." 2 Corinthians 5:21

- ... Eternal Life!
 - "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."
 Romans 6:23
 - "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears My word and believes Him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life." John 5:24
- ... The Kingdom!
 - "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." Luke 12:32
- ❖ As we walk in the kingdom of God we discover that we have...
 - ... Freedom from Anxiety! Luke 12:22
 - ... Insight into the true meaning of life! Luke 12:23
 - ... Understanding of our value before God! Luke 12:24
 - ... Knowledge of our span of life! Luke 12:25
 - ... Peace instead of worry! Luke 12:29
 - ... Abundant provision! Luke 12:31
 - ... Freedom from fear! Luke 12:32
 - ... Freedom to give generously! Luke 12:33

Romans 8:32

"He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?"

Thank God for His inexpressible gift!

Endnotes:

¹ Webster, Noah. <u>American Dictionary of the English Language (1828 Facsimile Edition)</u>. San Francisco: Foundation for American Christian Education, 1989.

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