

Jesus Christ the source of blessings.

### **Hebrews 2:17**

Therefore, in all things He had to be made like *His* brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things *pertaining* to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

### **Hebrews 4:14**

Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* confession.

Consider a number of blessings He imparts.

## **I Repentance and forgiveness of sins.**

**Acts 11:18 b** *"Then God also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life."*

### **ACTS 2:38**

Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

### **ACTS 17:30**

Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent.

### **ROMANS 2:4**

*..."the goodness of god leads to repentance."*

The opportunity to repent and receive the forgiveness of our sins in the gift of God.

### **ROMANS 3:23**

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

**II Ministry of intercession Jesus is our intercessor our go-between. Our attorney in the court room of God.**

### **Hebrews 7:25**

Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

He continues to pray on our behalf.

He died for our salvation, and He has not forgotten us, for now He ever lives to make intercession that our faith will not fail. We have more than Social Security we have Christ Security.

Social Security may run out. Christ security is eternal.  
An example of our Lord's intercession is found in

### **JOHN 17:15**

I do not pray that you should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one.

We have great assurance.

### **Romans 8:31-34**

What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? *It is* God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who *is* he who condemns? *It is* Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

Truly the exalted Lord is our Great High Priest and He continues to serve us.

## **III. Baptism in the Holy Spirit.**

A third blessing of our exalted Lord is the enduement of believers with the power of the Holy Spirit.

### **ACTS 2:33**

Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear.

**He (Jesus) penned out this which you now see and hear. Jesus said, "Repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His Name to all nations.**

### **Acts 2:47.**

**However, He also told them "Tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."**

**Later Jesus said "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses."**

### **ACTS 1:8**

**They carried out their mission with spiritual power and effectiveness. This experience is promised to all believers.**

### **ACTS 2:39**

**For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."**

**No believer is excluded. Jesus will continue to do this until He comes again.**

### **IV. Jesus Bestows Spirit Gifts.**

**There are 4 passages on the gifts of the Spirit.**

**Romans 12:3-8**

**I Corinthians 12:1-11, 27-31**

**Ephesians 4:7-16**

**I Peter 4:10-11**

**The gifts of the Spirit are so important that the whole Trinity ( Father, Son, Holy Spirit) is involved.**

**In Romans 12 God the Father**

**In Ephesians God the Son**

**In Corinthians 12 God the Spirit.**

**The purpose for spiritual gifts is found in**

### **Ephesians 4:12**

**for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,**

**The goal is spiritual maturity.**

**EPHESIANS 4:13**

**till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;**

**CONCLUSION:**

**The Lord Jesus is now preparing a place for us in heaven.**

**JOHN 14:23**

**Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.**

**This is personal promise.**

**JONAH 1;17 "Now the lord prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah."**

**"prepare a place."**

**Read about it in Revelation 21-22:5**