

HEIR OF GOD

Romans 8:16-17

I. SPIRIT BEARS WITNESS WITH OUR SPIRIT

- A. That we are the children of God.
- B. If children, then heirs; heirs of God, joint-heirs with Christ.
- C. An heir is in line for an inheritance.

II. IN WHOM WE HAVE OBTAINED AN INHERITANCE (Eph. 1:11).

- A. Col. 1:12 - *"Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light."*
- B. Col. 3:23-24 - *"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily as to the Lord, and not unto men; knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance; for ye serve the Lord Christ."*

III. WHAT ARE WE TO INHERIT? WHAT IS OUR INHERITANCE?

- A. In the OT:
 - 1. A righteous seed (God to Abraham) - Seed as stars of sky sand of sea.
 - 2. The land to be inherited by the righteous seed.
 - a. Gen. 15:7 - *"I am the Lord that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it."*
 - b. Ex. 23:30 - *"Little by little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land."*
 - c. Ex. 32:13 - *"...and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it forever."*
 - d. The meek shall inherit the earth.
- B. In the New Testament:
 - 1. Righteous seed
 - 2. Kingdom to be inherited by righteous seed.
 - a. Mt. 25:34 - *"Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the earth."*
 - b. Fear not little flock, it is the Father's pleasure to give you the kingdom.
- C. Rev. 21:7 - *"He that overcometh shall inherit all things."*

IV. THE EARNEST OF OUR INHERITANCE

- A. II Cor. 1:22 - *"Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts."*
- B. II Cor. 5:5 - *"...hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit."*
- C. Eph. 1:14 - *"(ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise), which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of His glory."*

V. SEED OF ABRAHAM HEIRS OF PROMISE (OR INHERITANCE)

- A. Gal. 3:18 - *"For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise."*
- B. In thee shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.
 - 1. They which are of faith are children of Abraham (Gal. 3:7).
 - 2. They which be of faith are bless with faithful Abraham (Gal. 3:9).

VI. THIS IS THE HERITAGE OF THE SERVANTS OF THE LORD (IS. 54:13-17)

- A. All thy children shall be taught of the Lord...great shall be the peace of thy children."
- B. In righteousness shalt thou be established.
 - 1. Thou shalt be far from oppression (bondage).
 - 2. For thou shalt not fear.
 - 3. And from terror; for it shall not come near thee.
- C. Whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.
 - 1. He that toucheth you touches the "apple of his eye."
 - 2. No weapon formed against you shall prosper.
 - 3. Every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn.

VII.VIII. GOD'S PROTECTION PART OF INHERITANCE.

- A. I will be a wall of fire about you, and the glory in your midst (Zech. 2:5).
- B. Is. 43:2 - *"When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee."*
- C. Tho I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.
- D. When the enemy comes in like a flood, the spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him.
- E. Ps. 91:
 - 1. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress; my God; in him will I trust."
 - 2. Under his wings shalt thou trust; his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.
 - 3. Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; there shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.