

JUST TO HAVE LIVED IS A GIFT BEYOND ALL MEASURE

Looking at the precarious history of your ancestry will cause you to be amazed that you were ever born. One moment in time and one spontaneous decision in the life of one of your ancestors makes the difference as to whether you were ever born. There was a time in the ancestry of Jesus that only one male child was remaining who could carry on the genealogy of Jesus to be born of the seed of Abraham. God dictates who lives and who dies and He dictates when they live and when they die. Your life is formed from the very dictates of God and you are responsible to Him for cooperating with Him in making this gift of life precious.

**“But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places, in Christ Jesus, in order that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus”
Ephesians 2:4-7**

“But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, in order that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.” Galatians 4:4-5

When the Gospel was made sure in Christ, after four thousand years, God had given sufficient time for the world to experience enough of life without the Messiah to appreciate Him and see their desperate need for “the good news of happiness” Isaiah 52:7

When God gives you sufficient time to experience life without the Savior from sin, you should desperately desire the new life in Christ which He offers as a gift. Sin is oppressive, the Holy Spirit convicts of it, and you should desire to be free of it. You must be burdened by your sin before you can be saved from it. Jesus came to take away your sin and make you a new creation in Him. It is amazing that all people are offered eternal life simply by cooperating with God and choosing to love Him.

God has given humanity sufficient time to comprehend the depths of the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Spirit. God has developed in history the knowledge of Jesus as the Lamb, the Sacrifice, the Word, the Savior, the Prophet, Priest, and King, the fulfillment of the Law, the Kinsman Redeemer, the Bread of Life, the Sustainer of Life, the Lover of my soul, the Truth, the Way, and the Life.

Creation itself proclaims the Creator. There is no excuse for ignoring the gift of life and the Giver of life.

“Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people. Remember that the Lord will give you an inheritance as your reward, and that the Master you are serving is Christ.”
Colossians 3:23,24

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him will not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

We receive the gift of God by cooperating with His Spirit and by coming to believe in Jesus who defeated sin, death, and Satan for us.

For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, 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

You must receive the gift of God through your cooperation with the Spirit of God. The Holy Spirit convicts all people of sin, the need for righteousness, and the fact of judgment concerning your works. Only Jesus ,through His sinless death, can save you from your sin and make you a new creation in Him.

God has chosen that those who cooperate with Him will live in good relationship with Him for all eternity. This prospect is beyond all comprehension.

