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Do Healing Ministries Exist Today?

Everywhere you turn--TV, radio, internet—we are confronted by preachers who claim to have “healing ministries.” I heard a preacher insist that God gave him the responsibility of carrying on Jesus’ earthly healing ministry, and he claimed to have healed hundreds of people in a single night. A charismatic church in the Chicagoland area I know of tried to carry out Jesus’ healing ministry but couldn’t heal anyone. So, they blamed their failure on the lack of faith of the people in the Chicagoland area and decided to go on missionary journeys to more faithful

people in faraway places like Russia and Africa. Needless to say, when they returned, they boasted that their “healing ministry” in those distant lands prospered, healing many people every day.

When people evaluate so-called healing ministries, the usual concern is, “Is it real,” or “Is it truly of God?” But there is an even more fundamentally important question to ask than that. And that question is: “Are divinely empowered healing ministries that follow in the footsteps of Jesus even possible today?” If we answer this question, we will automatically answer the other

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JUMP START YOUR PRAYER LIFE! (Pt. 3)

INTRODUCTION

Last time, we began a series that will help you “jump start” your prayer life. So, what does God expect believers to pray about in the Dispensation of Grace? For that we must go to the Apostle of Grace, our apostle, the Apostle Paul, and pray based on what we have learned

and received, heard and seen from and in Paul:

Those things, which ye have learned and received, and heard and seen in me (Paul). DO: AND THE God of peace shall be with you.

(Phil. 4:9)

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questions.

TYPICAL REASONS GIVEN FOR QUESTIONING “HEALING MINISTRIES”

Many reasons are given explaining why miraculous signs and wonders--including healing ministries, casting out demons, tongues, etc.--have ceased since the

times of Christ’s earthly ministry and the days of the Apostles, especially by dispensationalists. Here are some of them:

REASON #1: In biblical history, miracles were only experienced for very specific and relatively short periods of time. This is certainly true. During Israel’s long history there were only 4 major periods of miraculous activity: The Exodus and wilderness account, the reigns of David and Solomon, the times of Elijah and Elisha, and Christ’s earthly ministry, which includes that of the Apostles.

We see an indirect verification of this fact in the time of Jesus when the crowds responded in this way to His miraculous work: **“It was never so seen in Israel”** (Mat. 9:34). Miraculous healings were not common in their day, and they weren’t common before that either. Rather, they occurred over short periods of time under specific circumstances to fulfill limited purposes.

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REASON #2: Miraculous signs and wonders belong to God’s Prophetic Program with the Nation of Israel. Therefore, when God set aside (temporarily) His program with national Israel, these miracles were set aside as well. This is certainly true too. Miraculous signs were

given to Israel at the time of the Exodus in order that they might **“BELIEVE that the Lord God of their fathers ... has appeared un-to thee**

(Moses).” Je-

sus’ miracles, and those of Peter and the 12 on Pentecost were fulfillments of prophecy to bring about BELIEF in Israel (Mat. 8:17; et al.; Acts 2).

REASON # 3: Miracles attested to the fact that the Apostles--The 12 and Paul--were true men sent from God and not false teachers. Therefore, when the apostolic period ceased, these miraculous verifications were no longer needed, and they ceased as well. Again, this is certainly true. We see this in Paul’s apostleship itself. The miraculous healings he carried out at the beginning of his apostleship (Acts 19:11-12), he could not carry out at the end of his apostleship (Phil. 2:27; 1 Tim. 5:23; 2 Tim. 4:20).

REASON #4: God revealed the full Mystery Program to Paul progressively, therefore, during the early, formational years of the Body of Christ, before the full revelation of the Mystery had been

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revealed and recorded in Paul's Scriptures, God supernaturally provided special miraculous revelatory gifts to the "infant" church when it needed additional information (1 Cor. 12-14; Eph. 4).

Once God completed His Word with the body of truth called the Mystery, however, all other means of knowledge ceased. When the Word of God was completed with Paul's Mystery Scriptures (Col. 1:25-2:3), these special revelatory gifts were no longer needed, therefore, they ceased as well. Today we learn all there is to know about what God is doing through the full revelation God gave to the Apostle Paul, and is now recorded for us in his Epistles, Romans through Philemon.

These reasons and many others like them, are excellent reasons for acknowledging that miraculous ministries, like that of Jesus in the Gospel accounts and that of the Apostles in early Acts, have indeed ceased. But as good as these reasons are, there is another even more fundamental reason why "healing ministries" have ceased. In fact, they are impossible. We will look at that reason now.

LIMITING OUR OWN VAIN IMAGINATIONS

But before we do this, let there be no mistake. God does miraculously work today through His Word in saving ungodly sinners

on enemy status before Him spiritually. But "healing ministries" in the physical realm are not only questionable and suspicious, they are absolutely impossible. Some say this limits God. But this is not true. God has already explained in His revealed Word how IN HIS FREEDOM He decided to bring healing to the world. In reading this in the Bible and accepting it as true, we are not limiting God's actions. We are only limiting our vain imagination and own false preconceived ideas about what we think God ought to be doing.

God has told us in His Word how He is going to implement healing for the world. We can either believe and accept it, or we can reject it in unbelief and replace it with

the vanity of our own thoughts and desires. Let's see what God's Word says about miraculous healing today in the Bible.

WHY HEALING MINIS-

TRIES ARE IMPOSSIBLE TODAY

The most fundamental reason why "healing ministries" do not exist today is because today we are not suffering sickness and illness for the same reason that Israel in the days of Christ, and for the 1500 years before that, suffered sickness and illness. Today, we, like all Gentile nations (all nations except Israel) since the Fall of Adam, suffer sickness and illness because

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we are under the *Curses of the Fall of Creation* (Gen. 3:14-24).

But this is NOT why the distinct and unique Nation of Israel (Num. 23:9) suffered sickness and illness. Israel suffered these

things because they were under the Mosaic Law, and having broken it by rebelling against God and rejecting His Word, they fell under its curses, the *Curses of the Law*.

But if you (Israel) do not obey Me, and do not observe all these commandments,

¹⁵ **and if you despise My statutes, or if your soul abhors My judgments, so that you do not perform all My commandments, *but* break My covenant,**

¹⁶ **I also will do this to you:**

I will even appoint terror over you, wasting disease and fever which shall consume the eyes and cause sorrow of heart. (Lev. 26:14-16)

But it shall come to pass, if you (Israel) do not obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully all His commandments and His statutes which I command you today, that all these curses will come upon you and overtake you:

¹⁶ **“Cursed *shall you be* in the city, and cursed *shall you be* in the country.**

¹⁷ **“Cursed *shall be* your basket and your kneading bowl.**

¹⁸ **“Cursed *shall be* the fruit of your body ... The LORD will strike you with**

consumption, with fever, with inflammation, with severe burning fever ...

The LORD will strike you in the knees and on the legs with severe boils which cannot be healed, and from the sole of your foot to the top of your head ...

If you do not carefully observe all the words of this law that are written in this book, that you may fear this glorious and awesome name, THE LORD YOUR GOD, ⁵⁹ then the LORD will bring upon you and your descendants extraordinary plagues—great and prolonged plagues—and serious and prolonged sicknesses.

⁶⁰ Moreover He will bring back on you all the diseases of Egypt, of which you were afraid, and they shall cling to you. ⁶¹ Also every sickness and every plague, which *is* not written in this Book of the Law, will the LORD bring upon you until you are destroyed.

(Deut. 28:15-61)

In Jesus' day, the Israelites were not suffering illness and sickness because they were under the general *Curses of Creation's Fall*, but because they were under the specific *Curses of the Law*. At His first coming, Jesus' healings were to deliver national Israel from the *Curses of the Law* and restore her to the *Blessings of the Law*, which included physical health. In other words, at His first coming, Jesus' was not healing to deliver the *creation* from the *Curses of the Fall*. He was healing to deliver the Nation of Israel from the *Curses of the Law*!

This is always the order of blessing

Late in his ministry, the Apostle Paul couldn't heal Epaphroditus (Phil. 2:26-27) or Timothy (1 Tim. 5:23).

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in God's Prophetic Program with the nation Israel as revealed in the non-Pauline Scriptures—the Old Testament, Gospel Accounts and the ministry of Peter and the 12. **First**, the Nation of Israel needed to be healed. **Then**, through that healed Nation of Israel, the other nations on earth would be healed. **First**, God would deliver the Nation of Israel from the *Curses of the Law*, restoring her to its blessings. **And then**, He would use restored Israel to deliver the other nations on earth from the *Curses of the Fall*, restoring them to His blessings as well.

Speaking of the restored Israel and the New Heaven, New Earth and New Jerusalem, John says:

In the midst of the street of it, and of either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits (12 tribes of the nation of Israel), and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations (Rev. 22:2)

In Is. 53, the Suffering Servant, the Lord Jesus Christ, comes to take Israel's chastisements or *Curses of the Law* onto Himself:

**Surely he hath borne our griefs,
And carried our sorrows:
Yet we did esteem him stricken,
Smitten of God, and afflicted.**

⁵ **But he was wounded for our transgressions,
He was bruised for our iniquities:
The chastisement (the *Curses of the Law*) of our peace
was upon him; And with his stripes we are healed.**

(Is. 53:4-5; Mat. 8:17)

First, Israel needed to be healed or deliv-

ered from the *Curses of the Law*. Only **after that** would the whole earth be healed or delivered from the *Curses of The Fall* (Is. 52:15). Jesus' earthly ministry was not to heal sicknesses resulting from the *Curses on Creation* because of Adam's Fall. Jesus' ministry was to heal sickness of national Israel that resulted from her rebellion against God and breaking of the Law, whereby she fell under the *Curses of the Law*, including sickness and illness.

HEALING AND GOD'S PROPHETIC PROGRAM FOR THE NATION OF ISRAEL

Contrary to the assertions of most of Historic Christianity, the Law was only given to one nation, the Nation of Israel. Therefore, only one nation could fall under its curses, the Nation of Israel. Therefore, only one nation could be delivered from the *Curses of the Law*, for the Nation of Israel, which included physical healing.

Today, "healing ministries" that claim to follow in the footsteps of Jesus and the Apostles, are not only questionable and suspicious, they are absolutely impossible.

The people in Chicago or Russia or Africa are not under the Law and, therefore, they are not suffering sickness and illness because of they are under the *Curses of the Law*. Therefore, Jesus' healing ministry at His first coming to alleviate the *Curses of the Law* doesn't and hasn't applied to any individual or nation in the last 2,000 years.

It only applies to the Jews in Jesus' and the apostles' day in accord with God's Prophetic Program for the Nation of Israel. When God set aside His Prophetic Program

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with the Nation of Israel (temporarily) and began a new Mystery Program for the Body of Christ through the apostleship of Paul (Rom. 11). And this means His Prophetic Program for **healing** for the Nation of Israel from the *Curses of the Law* was likewise set aside. And this means that His plan for healing the Gentiles from the *Curses of the Fall* through the healed nation of Israel was set aside as well.

It is only **after** the Lord Jesus Christ delivers national Israel from the *Curses of the Law* that the rest of the earth will be delivered from the *Curses of the Fall*. And that will happen when God restarts His Prophetic Program with the Nation of Israel and brings her into the long- prophesied Millennial Kingdom on Earth, where not only will national Israel be healed from the *Curses of the Law*, but the whole earth will be healed from the *Curses of the Fall*.

HEALING AND GOD'S MYSTERY PROGRAM FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

But until then we must believe and accept what God says through the Apostle Paul:

For I reckon that the sufferings of *this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.* ¹⁹ For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected *the same*, in hope, ²¹ because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. ²³ And not

only *they*, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, *to wit*, the redemption of our body. (Rom. 8:18-23)

Today, in the Dispensation of Grace, in God's Mystery Program for the Body of Christ, under the distinct apostleship of Paul, "healing ministries" are excluded by God's revealed Will. In fact, today, God has revealed through Paul that He is deliberately NOT fixing the world's problems, including physical sickness and illness. Today, He is deliberately NOT implementing the fix to the world's problems that was procured by Christ and His work on the Cross.

Why? Because to physically fix the earth's problems, Jesus Christ would have to return to destroy His enemies in His Wrath and Judgment! But God's specific revealed purpose for His Mystery Program for today, is that now He is holding back the Wrath and Judgment that would be required to fix the world's problems and is instead extending His Grace and Peace so that as many as possible might be spiritually saved **before** He returns and destroys them in His Wrath and Judgment to fix all the world's problems!

Today is a Day of Salvation! A day of amnesty, if you will. He is beseeching all: **BE YE RECONCILED TO GOD** (2 Cor. 5:19-6:2)! Before He returns in His Wrath and Judgment! One day God will restart His Prophetic Program whereby He will return in His Wrath and Judgment to save His friends (the believing remnant of Israel and friendly gentiles associated with her) and destroy His enemies (apostate Israel and enemy Gentiles). Then He will once-and-for-all deliver Israel from the *Curses of the Law*, and through restored Israel He will then once-and-for-all deliver the earthly creation from the *Curses of*

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the Fall!

CONCLUSION

Therefore, “healing ministries” cannot exist today. For if they did, they would contradict not only God’s revealed will for His provision of healing for the earth in accord with national Israel’s Prophetic Program. But it would also contradict God’s revealed will for the Body of Christ in His Mystery Program for today as recorded in Paul’s Epistles. In short, they would contradict God’s revealed will for re-establishing His glory throughout all creation. And this is impossible.

One day, Christ will return to implement God’s Prophetic healing program for the earth, beginning with the deliverance of Israel from ALL the *Curses of the Law*, including sickness and illness, and ending with the whole earth being delivered from the *Curses of the Fall*. This will reach its fulfillment at the end of the Tribulation Period when God ushers the cleansed, purified and healed Nation of Israel into her long-prophesied Millennial Kingdom on Earth. Then, and only then, will the words of Rev. 21:4 finally be fulfilled: **There will be no more sickness, tears, death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain.**

And the healing ministry for believers in the Body of Christ will occur at the Rapture when we will receive our resurrection bodies and go to be with the Lord forevermore in the Heavenlies (1 Thess. 5:16-18 and Romans 8:23 with the redemption of the body).

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. ¹⁵ **For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.** ¹⁶ **For**

the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: ¹⁷ then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. ¹⁸ **Wherefore comfort one another with these words.** (1 Thess. 4:14-18)

Today, getting Christians sidetracked in unbiblical “healing ministries” is just another one of Satan’s many deceptions designed to throw believers off-course, getting them to waste their time down here on earth doing what they think God ought to be doing rather than what He is really doing.

As long as Satan can keep believers involved in things that can be found in the Bible but are not applicable to today, as long as he can get believers to wrongly divide their Bibles, he can keep them from being in true service to God and others. There is only one answer to this. And that answer is to rightly divide the Bible, which begins with first believing, appreciating and embracing Paul’s distinct apostleship.

Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my (Paul’s) gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began. (Rom. 16:25)

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[WHAT IS THE MYSTERY?](#)

Recent Studies in Romans

ROMANS 5-6

We have been studying the Paul's Letter to the Romans in our mid-week Bible Study Fellowship. Here are some of the highlights from Romans 5 and 6:

ROMANS 5:1-11:

In Rom. 5:1-11, we learned about GOD'S SUPER-ABOUNDING LOVE:

God commends His love toward us in that while we were yet ungodly sinners on enemy status before Him, CHRIST DIED FOR US!

ROMANS 5:12-21:

In Rom. 5:12-21, we learned about GOD'S SUPER-ABOUNDING GRACE. Just as when we were associated with fallen humanity under the headship of Adam 1, WE *automatically* received (all we had to "do" is be born into the world) everything that belonged to Adam 1 (all the things associated with Sin and Death).

So too ... in the new humanity under the headship of Adam 2, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Last Adam, we *automatically* received (all we had to "do" is receive the gift of His super-abounding grace by faith) everything that belongs to Him because of His obedience on the Cross (all the things associated with Righteousness and Life).

IN SHORT: EVERYTHING THAT BELONGS TO CHRIST BELONGS TO US!

ROMANS 6:3-4:

In Rom. 6:3-4, God tells us that these riches are found IN CHRIST. So God, in the mo-

ment we believed, placed us into Christ, identified us with His death, and buried us together with Christ (in the family tomb), where we participate in the Glory and Power of the Father when He raised Christ from the dead, so that we might walk in newness of life, a whole new sphere of existence.

We are placed into Christ (baptism) and identified with Him: His Death becomes our death, His burial tomb our burial tomb, His resurrection life our resurrection life.

ROMANS 6:5:

In Rom. 6:5 we learn how to bring all these Riches of Grace in Christ into our everyday lives, into our present experience. We bring them into our lives by being "planted together" or fused together or united together with the "likeness" of Christ's death and resurrection.

A "likeness" is a representation of something, and God's representation of the Good News of the Death and Resurrection of Christ can only be found in one place: THE PREACHING OF JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO THE REVELATION OF THE MYSTERY, WHICH IS CENTERED ON PAUL'S GOSPEL. When we fuse to, coalesce with, become one with Paul's proclamation of the Gospel, it brings the Riches of God's Grace in Christ into our present experience.

To illustrate this: In ancient times, the Greek word for "likeness" was often used for fine music that represented an aspect of na-

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ROMANS 5-6

ture, vividly bringing it up before the ears of the listeners. A more modern example of this might be the popular Vivaldi's Four Seasons Concertos. Each concerto represents a season of the year, vividly bringing it up before us as we listen.

I remember hearing these Concertos at a concert years ago. A young couple sat in front of me. They were arguing with each other. They were so angry they each sat on the far side of their seats so that they didn't have to touch one another. But then something amazing happened.

The music started, and not long after, I looked down at them, and they were holding hands, sitting shoulder-to-shoulder, tapping their feet together in rhythm and had big smiles on their faces. Being united to the music's "likeness" or representation of the seasons of the year through Vivaldi's concertos completely changed their thoughts, feelings, emotions, and actions.

That's how we live the Christian life in a way that pleases God. We become united to, coalesce around, become one with Paul's Gospel, God's "likeness" or representation of the Good News of the Death and Resurrection of Christ. This is the only way. No other way will work. We must follow Paul's lead because He is the one following Christ today (1 Cor. 11:1)! Nothing else will work. Human wisdom and worldly knowledge won't work. Going to the preaching of Peter and the 12, Christ's earthly ministry or the Old Testament will not work because they proclaimed the bad news of the Cross of Christ. No, God's con-

certo for today, God's music for us to follow today, what will unify believers today is Paul's Gospel—the Preaching of Jesus Christ according to the Revelation of the Mystery—the GOOD NEWS OF THE DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST!

It is the only way for us as an assembly to worship and praise God with one mind and one mouth (Rom. 15:6-7). Just like the couple that sat in front of me at the Vivaldi concert, we must all set aside our differences, what we like and what we dislike, and become united to Paul's proclamation of Christ and His Cross. If we do that, we will all be holding hands, listening and tapping our feet together in unison to its rhythm, and our thoughts, feelings, emotions, and actions will be guided along by it. And when this happens it ALWAYS results in a walk that is well-pleasing to God.

IN SHORT: THE ONLY WAY TO LIVE THE VICTORIOUS CHRISTIAN LIFE IS BY SINGING ALONG WITH PAUL (Rom. 6:5)!

To learn more, click below:
[SINGING ALONG WITH PAUL!](#)

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The Apostle Paul's Prayers

So far, we have noted the following prayers of Paul that all believers can follow today:

PAUL'S #1 PRAYER TOPIC:

FOR GRACE CHURCHES AND GRACE BELIEVERS (Col. 3:1-5; 25-26)

PAUL'S #2 PRAYER TOPIC:

SALVATION FOR ALL (1 Tim. 2:1-4)

**PAUL'S #3 PRAYER TOPIC:
ALL BELIEVERS WOULD GLORIFY
GOD WITH ONE MIND AND ONE
MOUTH (Rom. 15:5-7)**

PAUL'S #4 PRAYER TOPIC:

**THE GRACE OF THE LORD JESUS
CHRIST BE WITH YOU ALL (1 Cor.
16:23)**

The Corinthians as a whole were not one of the most responsive of Paul's assemblies. They were divisive (because they didn't rightly divide the Scriptures!). They were carnal and fleshy. They rebuffed his authority and his love was unrequited. Yet He embraced them with the grace God gave to him as their spiritual father in Christ Jesus their Lord. There can hardly be a better picture of the Riches of God's Grace. His super-abounding all-embracing

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message of GRACE to sinners.

PAUL'S #5 PRAYER TOPIC:

THANKFULNESS FOR ALL SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS IN HEAVENLY PLACES IN CHRIST (Eph. 1:3)

I once heard a world famous preacher slam his fist on the pulpit exclaiming: "I don't need spiritual blessings, I need physical blessings!" No doubt this preacher did very well for himself materially, but one wonders about many of the people who listened to him who weren't doing so well materially.

No, what we need most is spiritual blessings not physical blessings. The world can take everything physically and materially away from believers, even their lives, but it is our spiritual blessings that carry us into eternal fellowship with Christ as we await our physical bodily resurrection in the future.

Many believers have difficulty understanding spiritual blessings and, therefore, don't fully appreciate them. To

solve this problem, Paul overwhelms us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Ephesians 1.

SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS BELIEVERS HAVE IN CHRIST:

1. In eternity past God chose us to belong to a group of believers called the Church, the Body of Christ, to stand

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before Him holy and blameless in love.
(1:4).

God pre-determined that believers today would be made members of a distinct group of redeemed humanity called the Body of Christ. They would be brought into His family as adult sons and daughters with complete access to the Father's riches through Christ (1:5).

And this is all in accord with the good pleasure of His will (not anything in us!). (1:5)

3. He made us accepted in His beloved Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. (1:6)

**PRAYER IS GOD'S WAY
TO GET US INVOLVED
IN HIS THINGS!**

4. In Whom we have redemption through His blood. (1:7)

5. And the forgiveness of sins (1:7)

And this is all to the praise of the Glory of His Grace and the Riches of His Grace. (1:6-7)

6. He has abounded to us in all wisdom by making us participants in the Mystery of His will by which we, as members of the Body of Christ, will display God's Glory in the Heavens forever more (1:9).

Paul calls this God's Mystery Program: **The PREACHING OF JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO THE REVELATION OF THE MYSTERY, WHICH HAD BEEN KEPT SECRET SINCE THE WORLD BEGAN** (Rom. 16:25).

And once again, this is all in accord with the good pleasure of His will (not anything in us!). (1:9)

7. God has given us an inheritance in Christ (1:11).

And all of this is according to the purpose of Him who works all things after the counsel of His Own Will!

8. He created us to be to the praise of His Glory (1:12).

9. We were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, the earnest of our inher-

itance (1:13).

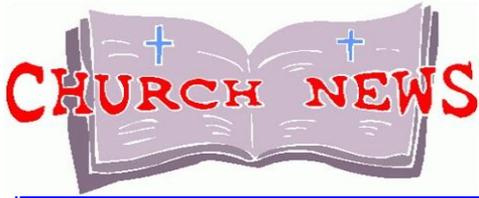
10. Which guarantees our bodily resurrection in the future (1:14).

And this too is by Grace and through Faith to the praise of God and His Glory! (1:14).

And these are just the spiritual blessings found in the first 14 verses of Ephesians 1! There are many others in addition to these. No, I'll take the spiritual over the physical blessings any day!

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[**PAULINE PRAYER**](#)



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1. 1 Cor. 1:23 2. Rom. 16:25 3. 2 Tim. 2:15

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