

Take 5!

5 Verses, 5 Questions, 5 Minutes

Mission Possible!



Take a moment to confess any sin in your heart and accept God's amazing grace. Ask for Holy Spirit to open the eyes of your heart to the message He has for you today!

Please read Ephesians 2:6-10.

Once we have been saved by grace, where are we seated (verse 6)?

Let's take a moment to consider two important concepts from verse 6. *Sunegeiro* is the Greek word for the phrase *raised us up together* which means "to raise up together from mortal death to a new and blessed life dedicated to God." Don't you love the part about living a "life dedicated to God"? We are blessed when we live according to His will rather than our own. The Greek word for *seated* is *kathizo*, which means "to set, appoint, to confer a kingdom on one" (BLB emphasis mine). Thank you Father that You have delivered us from a life of death to live a blessed life in Your Holy kingdom!

How much grace does God have (verse 7)?

God is exceedingly rich in grace! *Exceedingly* means that God is *beyond* rich in grace; He is pouring out grace, like a river, to anyone who will receive it. His ability to pour out grace infinitely exceeds our ability to sin. He has more than enough grace to handle our most serious sin issue. Put this thought on hold for a moment and please read verses 8 and 9 carefully.

How have we been saved?

How have we *not* been saved?

Why have we been saved?

In case you may be thinking that you aren't good enough or talented enough to bring anything of value to God's kingdom let's take a look at the word *workmanship*. The original word for *workmanship* is *poiema*. Do you see a familiar English word in *poiema*? The word *poem* is derived from this Greek word. You are a *Master-piece*! *Poiema* also means to execute, to ordain, to do well, to appoint.

Let's go back and revisit that concept of grace from verses 8 and 9. God has supplied us with this outpouring of grace so we will be equipped to do good works for which He has prepared and appointed for us before He laid the foundations of the earth. Therefore we are without excuse! Stop thinking about and listening to the lies of the enemy that you have nothing to offer; that serving is only for those good Christians who didn't really need saving. If you are saved, God has work for you to do. You are called, you are chosen, you are appointed, you are ordained and you are equipped to do specific works that only *you* can do for His kingdom. The question then remains...will you accept this mission?

Start serving- the world needs you.