YOU'VE GOT MORE THAN YOU HAVE

TEXT:

1 Corinthians 2:9: But as it is written, Eye hath <u>not</u> seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.

Geologists have known for a long time there were great reservoirs of oil deep down under ground in western Texas. The ranchers had lived there for years on a very meager income and in modest homes. Their flocks of sheep and cattle grazed on the semi desert plains and on the open ranges. Yet, right below them was this vast oil supply, just out of their reach. To many, it was hardly known about.

When the big oil companies got wind of it, sent out buyers, and bought out many who had become tired of struggling for an existence, there were others who still treasured their family inheritances which held many precious memories, and they refused to sell.

A number of these were persuaded to sell a lease to the mineral rights. The giant companies began to sink shafts and pretty soon this poor land was pouring out thousands of barrels of black liquid gold.



The new wealth had quickly transformed the rancher's lives. The oil was there, and theirs all this time. **Yet**, **the people were not benefiting from their possessions.** Sure, they had Title Deeds, but they were not enjoying all their benefits.

Jesus said . . .

James 4:2b: Ye have not because ye ask not.

John 16:24b: Ask and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

Everyone, who is saved through Christ's atoning work, is now an heir of God and joint heir with Christ.

2 Peter 1:3: According as His Divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

The Bible says again in:

1 Peter 3:7: Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

2 Peter 3:7: But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same Word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the Day of Judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

Romans 5:17: For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by One, Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 9:8: And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

Romans 8:16-17:

¹⁶ The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

¹⁷ And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together.

We are made to understand that this Grace of God is as a bountiful store. It is hidden in Christ, who makes it all available for the asking.

Hebrews: 10:19-20:

- ¹⁹ Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the Holiest by the Blood of Jesus,
- ²⁰ By a new and living way, which He hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh;



Hebrews: 4:16: Let us therefore come boldly unto the Throne of Grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

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