Today's Message: Give You What You Need Series: Raised To Life Date: Sunday, April 21, 2024

Big Idea: God Can Do In And Though Us What He Did In And Through Jesus.

And you also were included [in] Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked [in] him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance [until] the redemption of those who are God's possession—[to] the praise of his glory. (Ephesians 1:13-14)

1. God ______ us with Christ and gave us an indelible mark that seals us and guarantees us our inheritance.

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great <u>power</u> for us who believe. That <u>power</u> is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. And God placed all things [under] his feet [and] appointed him to be head [over] everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way. (Ephesians 1:18-23)

2. The incomparably great power of God is presently ______ for those who believe.

As for you, you were dead [in] your transgressions [and] sins, in which you used to live [when you followed] the ways of this world [and] [of] the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work [in] those who are disobedient. All of us also lived [among] them at one time, [gratifying] the cravings of our flesh and following its desires [and] thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. (Ephesians 2:1-3)

3. Our previous ______ and conduct left us dead, separated from God, and subject to His wrath.

But because of his great love [for] us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ [and] seated us with him in the heavenly realms [in] Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us [in] Christ Jesus. For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus [to] do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. (Ephesians 2:4-10)

- 4. God ______ us in His eternal plans, so He raised us, seated us, and prepared a work for us to do!
 - Saved us.
 - Raised us.
 - Seated us.
 - Prepared for us.

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