

The Building of the Masterpiece of Grace in Ephesians - 10
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Let's open our bibles back up to Ephesians Chapter One tonight thanking God for this precious journey increasing our faith in Him this beautiful masterpiece of grace that He is building in us for Him as we've been journeying just a little bit deeper by His Spirit as we see the day approaching praise be to God. Let's go ahead and begin reading from verse three in Ephesians Chapter One and it says, *blessed be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ Who hath blessed us; all done, with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ according as He hath chosen us; once again done in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love. Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children, once again done. How praise be to God? By Jesus Christ to Himself according to the good pleasure of His will to the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein He hath made us accepted in the Beloved. Praise His name. In Whom we have redemption through His blood, in Whom we have the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace. 01:28

Wherein He hath abounded, done toward us in all wisdom and prudence, having made known unto us, done. The mystery of his will according to His good pleasure which He hath purchased in Himself. Now here we go. That in the dispensation of the fullness of times He might gather together in one all things in Christ both which are in heaven, and which are on earth, even in Him in Whom we also; Isn't that wonderful? We have obtained an inheritance, done, being predestinated. Here we go, according to the purpose of Him Who works all things after the counsel of His own will. Oh my, that we should be this is the conclusion of it all, that we should be to the praise of His glory, who first trusted in Christ. Oh hallelujah, we'll stop there. 02:38

Now brothers and sisters this is the result of all the spiritual blessings in the heavens in Christ, praise be to God. We just read through those six superlative things that He has done. As we rejoice it's the finishing of the six wings upon the cherubim. The full overcoming power praise the Lord that His bride lives and reigns upon this earth right now. We thank God for that, and that that is the abundance of His grace, praise His name. And as we read tonight in verse twelve it says that we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. Now, I want you to understand something. This little phrase here as it begins that we should be, the Holy Ghost tapped me again on the shoulder and said honey, I need to show you something. And so, I looked right into it, and that word in the Greek is *einai*; that's how you pronounce it, *einai*. And it's interesting, you find that *einai* in the word of God in quite a few places especially in the New Testament, but only here is it translated *should be*, or I should say interpreted; not translated but interpreted. So, as the word of God encouraged my heart and I looked that up it really doesn't perfectly translate *should be*, and matter of fact every time else you find it in the word of God it actually translates it means that we exist and will be. It's completely different. 04:28

And if you just take and everything we have already read that we are in Him, that He hath, He hath, He hath, He hath there's no should be to hath. It's the result we will be, and that's very, very important. And I thank the Lord, it's for kings to search out a matter, and I'm telling you what, He was shaking my hand at that crown. He said hon, I need you to go look; I want you to see this. It's not changing anything, search it out yourself. The very first thing you'll see there in the meaning of einai, is "will be", and "to exist", not should be. And I thank God that that lines up perfectly with everything that we have been studying, it's done, and it's the result of what He has finished, and it's the result of what His grace has purposed, and it's the result praise be to God what He has predestinated. And it's the result praise God which is the very purpose of the masterpiece of His grace. Hallelujah. And I thank the Lord to the praise of His glory, all glory will praise His masterpiece of grace, and brothers and sisters God willing that is us, hallelujah. Amen, and let me tell you something, we just understood through all of what we've studied, and more importantly what the Holy Ghost is revealed to our hearts. All things are after the council of His own will, I know this is His will. Hallelujah praise be to God. 06:16

And you know I thank the Lord, I don't want to be shy about this, there's nothing to be shy about this. I don't need to try and act humble about it either, you know why? Because it's all Him, because this is all Him. Amen. It's all Him, it's all by Him, it's all due Him, it is all for Him. We are His glory because, because we are in Christ. We are His glory because we are in Christ. Praise the Lord, that's the beauty of it. He is the master of the masterpiece; yes, He is, He's everything about it praise God. There is no glory but by Him, there is no glory but Him, there is not glory but through Him. Christ in us the hope of glory. Christ in you the hope of glory; thank You Lord Jesus. See. All this is to the praise of Him. Praise the Lord, our lives, this masterpiece of grace in us is all to the praise of the glory of His grace. This is what He has performed, this is what He what He has finished, this is what He has done, this is the very purpose of everything in beginning that creation was all made for. Thank You Jesus. This is the expectation of all glory isn't it? Oh yes, you go back and forth to Romans 8:19, all creation glory for the manifestation, the unveiling, the apocalypse praise God, the unveiling of the mature sons of God. His mature sons that He said, having predestinated us unto the mature sons by Jesus Christ to Himself according to the good pleasure of His will. Lord, just keep letting it flow. Hallelujah, and this power of Your might all glory awaits this manifestation, this unveiling of these mature sons to see the masterpiece of grace in homes praise the Lord of Christ in us. That's it. 08:29

Now, I want you to notice something here in verse twelve. This is all the culmination of all the spiritual blessings, this is the purpose of all of it brothers and sisters, and I believe this is catapulting this into that time in the ages to come the exceeding riches of His grace and His kindness to us. This is when that all begins to break forth, and this if you will the beginning of the praise that will never cease, the praise that will never cease to the glory of His grace, praise His name. 09:11

So, in noticing this it says in verse twelve that we will be to the praise of His glory who first trusted in Christ. Now, most times when you hear this talk, and I thank the Lord for it; thank the Lord very much. It's taught that Paul here is speaking about himself, and other Jews who were the very first believers in Christ in the New Testament, alright? So, they were the first ones that trusted in Christ in the New Testament, and I do see that. And I thank the Lord, I agree with that in that level and layer praise the Lord of the truth that is given in this section of the word of God. But I thank the Lord that I do believe that the Holy Ghost wants us to see a little more here because brothers and sisters I want you to know something, there's only been but one redemption plan, there's only been one, it didn't change. It's always been the same, and it's never changed; it's always been the Lamb, it's always been the Lamb of God. 10:30

All Old Testament believers, all New Testament believers are saved the same way by the blood of the Lamb of God. All Old Testament believers, they trusted in Christ, oh yes they did, and they trusted in Christ first; yes they did. Alright, Genesis 3:15 it tells us there that the seed of Eve, speaking of Jesus Christ would crush the head of Satan. Amen. So, Christ Jesus was always the answer, Christ Jesus is always the redeemer, faith that pleases God has only and always been in His Son Jesus; bring Me the Lamb. Amen? Amen. Salvation was no other way, it was always through Christ, it wasn't supposed to be in anything else. That's why the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world; everything was in that. So, with that understanding of the truth there's another layer of deeper glory that we have here. The praise of His glory is going to come from, here we go, the first that believe and mean the Old Testament believers believed in Christ. They truly were the first ones to believe in Jesus Christ, and that is the truth. 12:06

And those Old Testament believers praise God, we see some of them, turn on over, we rejoiced in this before over there in Revelation Chapter Four, and I had thanked God. And we see these Old Testament believers represented by the twenty-four elders that are round about the throne, and they're shown praising His glory. Alright? So these Old Testament believers who were the very first to trusted in Christ; yes they were, we see them right here in Revelation Chapter Four on their throne with crowns on their head, they're round about the midst of the throne amen? And they're round about a company that's in the midst of the throne, and that company are the four living ones that are in the midst of the throne. Those are the ones we've been rejoicing about that have the six wings, praise the Lord. These are the full overs of the New Testament praise the Lord that are in the midst of that throne. That's known as the bridal company, hallelujah. And they are right there in the midst of the throne, right in there in that place with Jesus Christ, glorified together with Him, ruling and reigning with Him, amen? Now we're right back to Romans 8:17 right there. Right? Aren't we joint heirs together with Jesus Christ if so be that we suffer together with Him, that we also be glorified together with Him? Amen. 13:42

Thank the Lord, I know where that place has to be then, it has to be right there in the throne with Christ. Praise God. So, here we have that company of the New Testament

full overcomers, the bride of Christ praise the Lord seen in the four living ones right in the midst of the throne of glory ruling and reigning with Jesus Christ, and around them are twenty-four elders sitting on thrones with crowns on their head. And those twenty-four elders in representation of every single thing about them, you know that those are Old Testament full overcomer believers, they've got a crown. Praise God they do. They finished with the fullness of faith that they were given, but yet we were given a better thing. The better thing we were given was in the midst of the throne, not around about the throne, but in the midst. And without us they could never be made perfect, and praise be to God they now have that place because the bride praise the Lord has made her husband complete. He made her complete down here. Now with her in His arms He is now made complete. It's glorious is it not? Hallelujah. So, now we see that we have these twenty-four elders right around that throne. Those are the ones of the Old Testament that would be of those that first trusted in Christ, and here's what happens at that point. When the bride is raptured in and put in the throne with her husband, and the twenty-four elders the friends of the Bridegroom are gathered round about. 15:44

Let's read from verse nine. And when those beasts, that's the four living ones that are in the midst of the throne; the bridal company, they give glory, and honour, and thanks to Him. See, they give it to Him because they have it to give because it's the glory that shall be revealed in us for Him. Amen. It's Christ in you the hope of glory, all the glory is right there, praise the Lord, that He's receiving because the glory is His grace, and this is the masterpiece of His grace. This is all grace, pure grace the perisseuo exceeding, abundant above all we ask or think grace, and even beyond. And that's the truth because that's what this all means. And so this bride gives Him glory, this bride gives Him honour, this bride gives Him thanks to Him that sat on the throne Who lives for ever and ever, and here's what happens after that. Those first believers in Christ, those Old Testament believers, the four and twenty elders you know what they do? They fall down, and they fall down before Him and if she's with Him they're falling down before her too. She gets the glory with Him praise God, and what happens? They fall down before Him that sat on the throne and they worship Him that liveth for ever and ever. And they take their crowns off and they cast them crowns before the throne and here's what they say as they see the Bridegroom their friend receiving His wife, receiving His glory, hallelujah, this is all is all they can say. 17:39

Thou art worthy, O Lord, O friend, O Bridegroom to receive her, to receive Your bride, to receive Your glory, to receive Your honour, to receive praise God this power because without her He cannot take the throne as God. This is why they're saying to receive power. He's receiving power because He has His bride. Hallelujah, it's all there now for thou hast created all what? All things. I think we read that did we not over these past weeks in beginning praise the Lord before the foundation of the world? Us in Christ. All spiritual blessings in the heavens in Christ in the beginning. That was the first thing that was done, then creation; then everything was created. What does it say right here, Thou art worthy O Lord to receive the glory, the honour, the power; that's her right? Because of everything You created everything You did, everything You made was for this

purpose for her to come to You; this is the result. This is why it's not "should be", she will be, she will be because this is what He did, this is what He purposed in Himself. This is the purpose of His grace you, see? This is the purpose of His grace. This bride, these mature sons and then everything was created for that to come forth. There had to be a devil, the devil wasn't even, he wasn't even created, nothing was created. Everything was put in Him, this plan, this bride, this glory; that was first, and then everything was made for that, everything. 19:46

And everything about our lives, and every detail about our lives. Everything about how wonderfully and fearfully made we are, For this Sunday I want to love the things that He loves about me, not the things that I want to love about me; the things that He loved about me that brought me to this grace. You understand, a little hint? I think you already know what it's going to be about. But this is what this is. So, Thou art worthy O Lord to receive Your glory, her, and honour, and power for Thou created all the things, and for Thy pleasure. Remember how we read the good pleasure of Thy will; all of it was for His pleasure, for His ecstasy, this is it You got her. They are and were created, it's just all perfect. The pattern is perfect over, and over, and over again. Thank You Jesus. So, these first ones, these first believers in Christ; these Old Testament ones they give praise brothers and sisters to us in Christ. They do hallelujah, they'll cast their crowns before the throne because the glory is so great to praise. They're overcome with the joy of the Lord, they're the friends of the Bridegroom that now see their friend is complete for He has His blood? Praise God. 21:41

Now, with that my heart's beating, I'm sure yours is too. The Holy Ghost wants us to spend just a little more time tonight to bask, to just saturate in this glory of this great love wherewith we are loved.; this great love, and how great a love is it? See, this is what the goodly pearl is all about. Matthew Thirteen, we know this, at the merchant He sold all that He had, everything to seek out that one goodly pearl. That was everything, it was worth everything that He had to have that one. This is the Rebekah amen? Rebekah's choosing was not by chance, it wasn't by chance one bit, not at all. The Master knew, the Master praise God He knew as He told His servant, thou shall take a wife for My Son; He even said it twice, Thou shall take a wife for My Son, and it will come out of My people. And My Son won't go to get her, You will go to get her, My Son will never go to get her, You will bring her to My Son. That's what the Holy Ghost does, that's only what the Holy Ghost can do. He's the only One that can prepare us, and to woo us, He's the only One that has praise God, this proposal that can strum and wrench a heart that we don't even understand why we do the things we do, but we're in love. 23:41

Now, this is the Rebekah once again, her choosing not by chance and predestinated her to be at the well to meet the servant. It was only her; you have to think about how divine God is. It didn't matter how many were there, this was a predestinated meeting, and it was going to be a one on one, and it was going to be her, it wasn't going to be anybody else. It was for her, the servant was even given all the riches of the kingdom were in his hand; it says that in Genesis Twenty-four. He had all of the things of the Master

with Him. And the reason He could say that is because the Holy Ghost or the Servant was carrying the heart of The Master's Son. He was delivering that heart, which was everything, everything that the Master had. I'm giving you every bit of His love, not just His life but His love. And not just His love on a philos, but His agape. Not just the love as a friend, but the love of the lover of your soul; your Bridegroom. This was everything, this was the double portion to the Master. This is the double portion to the Father, and it speaks of the Shulamite. 25:30

My sister, My spouse. I mean we could look at that and kind of chuckle and think where are we in this country when; never mind. My sister, My spouse, My sister, My spouse. The family of God praise the Lord has sons, but yet in that wonderful growth we even become the spouse, or the daughter-in-law to the father. When you think of the double portion He receives, and it is, it's just so overwhelming it's so glorious. But this again is what the servant that had all the riches of the kingdom in his hand could give her, and she listened. And praise the Lord she listened, and she received just like we should be listening; this is all ours. Praise the Lord. And it was a predestinated meeting and I thank God it's all by grace. And then we thank the Lord that we understood last week that this was because of the lots that were cast, and we were the first, we're the Rebekah's of the Church Age. We fell out first, and we'll touch on that here in just a minute a little bit deeper. But brothers and sisters we're the predestinated Esther of our time, are we not? The predestinated Esther. Every single life in the Old Testament, every one of those wonderful full overcomers in the Old Testament we see that each and every one of their lives too were predestinated; predestinated the same way. 27:23

Predestinated praise God in Christ. Oh yeah. In Christ for the purpose that He had in their lives, and we thank God for it. We that the Lord every bit of every work in any life is always been through the blood. We know that it is, it's this divine encouragement that we have by our precious Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. But we are the predestinated Esther of our time. Everything brothers and sisters you talk about predestination in perfect precise before ordained order. I like to just think about her life. Here she is, it had to be that she became an orphan. She had to be in a place where she had to be sent to her cousin. So, what we can take from that brothers and sisters, the tragedies of our lives are vital. The deepest hurts of our lives, the things that are the most as we might think unfair to our lives, if it wasn't that way, we would never gain the glory that the Lord has for us. and that's what we have to understand and see and receive. This world has no up on us. In Christ brothers and sisters this is all divine of the Lord. That's why when we set out to try to fight against the things in a sense of this life that we're going to somehow better our lives, or something of that nature, brothers and sisters remember, your life is predestinated and purposed of God; of God and I thank God for that. It's so precious and it's for each and every one of us. 29:16

And that's why by the grace of God we're the same body, and I receive the glory praise God that you fought through, you receive the glory that I fight through. And we receive glory for glory praise be to God it's grace for grace. And I receive that praise the

Lord from the joints of the body of Christ. There's no growth, there's no growth without that grace. I need the grace praise the Lord that pours through your life praise God to flow into this joint and vice versa, and that's this beautiful growth of what the Lord is doing in us. This perfection till we all come into the unity of faith. And that why I do, I praise God for the anointing of the love shed abroad in our hearts. Brothers and sisters, this is so far beyond cerebral knowing. This is the application of occupying as His readied wife thanks be to God. 30:23

Don't miss this, don't miss it. Now, she had to become an orphan, the tragedies had to be exact, and because she was that orphan then she was sent to a strange place, and I tell you what my life is always a strange place; I'm a strange place, and I mean that very sincerely, do you know what I'm talking about? I'm so thankful, I do not feel comfortable with me, and that's why I need the God of all comfort to comfort me all the time. Thank You Lord, But she was sent to that cousin, but you think it wasn't just well, sent to this cousin, she was sent to the cousin because all of this happened in such a precise and exact sequence of time that it was at the precise time brothers and sisters that a queen would give up the throne in the land. It wasn't at a later time, it wasn't at an earlier time, it was at the exact time. It was the exact time that there was going to be a ruling and reigning that would be offered for her. We have been predestined to an exact time known as the Church Age praise the Lord, and you think about now, it's just even threatening to my heart the adoption? In a sense she was adopted, transformed praise the Lord? And she was really born lord of all wasn't she because she was adopted, put in that family, but she was put right into the kingdom. 32:22

Hmmm? I love showing up here praise God what He has to say. So, there she was at the precise time that a queen would give up her crown that there would be a search would be put on for the new queen. Huh? The time now is, the Father seeketh those that worship Him in spirit and in truth. The one that will draw nigh in fervent love to kiss Me. See. the queen Vashti, she didn't love. Uh-un, there was a place, but she didn't love Him. Esther drew nigh in fervent love to kiss. And matter of fact that's what happens in that scepter of grace is thrown out, we kiss that grace. We adore that grace, you love that grace, praise God that grace is every bit of every anointing of everything that we have. And so, we thank the Lord that the search would be on for the new queen. The goodly pearl, the pearl of great price but there was no doubt there was no one else that was going to be but Esther. That was it. 34:01

Praise God. And how beautiful we see, and see God put us brothers and sisters in the time of the bride to be for the Church Age, and I can say this by His grace in knowing, praise the Lord, with enlightened eyes of understanding, we praise God are the we with Paul. We're praise the Lord, we're this first fourteen verses. We know, we know, we know, we know, praise God we do, and it tells us why we know because of the Holy Ghost and the enlightened eyes of understanding. Oh yes. And so, in that brothers and sisters we know that God has put us in this precious time of the Church Age of seeking the queen for the seat with the King, and praise God there's not going to be anybody else for it with

You. Amen. See, this mystery that was written for us, this precious truth praise God for ones like Rebekah, ones like Esther they lived through this not knowing, they could not understand the mystery that they were living. Even the writers of it, they did not even understand that the depth of the mystery of what they were writing. They knew it was divine, they knew it was incredible, they knew it was ordered, but praise the Lord now because of the Holy Ghost, and the revelation of Paul's gospel we know this is us. We know the depth, and the depth, and the depth, and the deepest layer of the news of this truth, it's not just for us, this is us. 36:01

This is, praise God, this predestined path, this anointing of that we will be to the praise of His glory. So now praise God we just thank the Lord because we have the enlightened eyes of understanding that we see this. Thank You Jesus. And this understanding praise God, it doesn't make us complacent by His grace, and it doesn't make us proud by His grace, oh no. No, no, no, no, no because we understand it's because of all grace; it's because of all grace. Praise the Lord, see Esther in that palace she wasn't proud, and matter of fact her cousin told her take only, only, only what the keeper of the women give. Don't think, don't act, don't do anything of you, just show up, and everything that He gives to you just take it; just take it. Believe it fully that that is every provision that you're going to need to win the hand, to win the love, to win the throne of the king. He's going to be absolutely overwhelmed that you realize that everything was a gift to you, everything was mercy to you, everything was prepared for you, everything was laid out for you, and all you had to do was just to take, and take, and take, and take. And that caused that king to look upon her and to say what's mine is yours, you took it all because you took all the grace. 38:03

Now praise the Lord, in that brothers and sisters we are the most thankful, the most mercy loving, the most grace loving overwhelmed people that there will ever be because that's what grace did for you. I'm thankful to the Lord, call me dumb happy, but I am, I am so happy, I'm so happy and as sister said you're joyous because I do know about the wretched mess I am, but I know Who loves me, and I know Who's for me, and I know Who's for me just as I am. And I know Who predestinated my life to rule and reign with Him. 39:10

Alright, let's wrap this up. Ruth, the wife of the Redeemer, amen. Oh, you get it, had to be all those things, didn't it? Had to line up all that way, all that tragedy, all that life walking through the door that God had opened for her seemingly well Lord this is where You're taking me, I'm honoring my husband, I'm doing these different things, I'm going ... Honey I've got to take you. I got to take you to the arms of the Redeemer to be His wife now. All that good, all that acceptable has been okay, but now I'm taking you to My perfect will. Huh? Abishag, that little girl, I shouldn't say little girl, that beautiful young woman. Without her there's no kingdom. How could that be? Grace, mercy, it wasn't the neighbor, it wasn't the other you know virgins that were there, all of the other ones, how could it just be her? Because she was predestined for it, timed, everything about it. There was no one else that was ever going to be just like with Noah. Noah, there was no one else that was

going to build the impossible ark, no one. Moses who led the millions out of Egypt, they were all the ones that God gave the grace to believe. They were the ones. 41:01

He did it in beginning as well too. They weren't chosen of the fly, they were chosen before the foundation of the world, and no one else but David wanted to take down that giant, did they? Oh no, no one was going to, and the reason was because that grace fell upon David. His lot fell out first, and you know what God does in those situations? He does it every single time, God gave him the faith, God gave Noah the faith, God gave Moses the faith and they believed the impossible. And grace fell upon us, and our lot fell out first and we have been given the faith to believe the impossible. Right Sister Vickie? That's impossible, how could you sit and listen to that? I've never heard that before. Huh? 42:10 That's impossible, you can't rule and reign jointly together with Jesus Christ.

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Huh? That's impossible. David, you can't take down that giant. David didn't doubt at all. I'm coming at you, you uncircumcised Philistine; praise be to God, and I'm coming Lord Jesus. By Your grace I'm coming, and because of Your grace I'm coming to rule and reign jointly together with You. That grace fell upon my life, that grace fell upon your life and thanks be to God, He gave you the faith, and by the grace of God that's all you need to be concerned with. I pray everybody, I pray every child of 'God would have that faith., but I know that's God's work. We could plant and water, but He gives the increase. And I thank the Lord brothers and sisters He gave us the faith to believe the impossible that we will rule and reign and be glorified together with Jesus. And thank the Lord tonight we have been given the eyes enlightened with understanding to see our glory, and I think about how He loved that faith, oh how the Father loves that faith, that most holy, that most holy set apart faith, the faith of the Holy Ghost. Amen? Amen. Let's stand and be dismissed. 44:07