

JESUS DIED FOR ME (AND MADE ME RICH)

Texts: Hebrews 2:9; 2 Corinthians 8:9

INTRO: I have sinned. We all have, Rom. 3:10, 23. The wages of sin is death, Rom. 6:23. But Jesus left the shining portals of heaven, took upon Himself the trials, temptations, troubles & tribulations of human-ity and died on the cross to pay our debt. In His death, He made us rich.

The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, & if children, heirs--heirs of God... (Rom. 8:16-17)

I am rich! I have an inheritance of great value. This inheritance is not in money, lands, stocks or bonds. It is more valuable than any of these!

I. CHRIST DIED AND LEFT ME HIS PRECIOUS GOSPEL.

A. I was a sinner, incapable of directing my steps aright,
Jer. 10:23,

B. But Christ did not leave me without direction.
Mark 16:15-16

II. GOD HAS SHED ON ME A FORTUNE IN LOVE.

John 3:16; Romans 5:8; John 15:13

...The love of Christ... passes knowledge... (Eph. 3:19).

NOTE: Nobody else has ever been capable of giving so much!

III. GOD'S GRACE HAS MADE ME RICH.

Titus 2:11-12; Eph. 2:8

But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death, crowned with glory & honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. (Heb 2:9).

IV. CHRIST'S SACRIFICIAL DEATH HAS MADE POSSIBLE FOR ME A MANSION IN HEAVEN.

READ JOHN 14:1-3, 28-30; 16:5-16, 20

CONCLUSION: You can also share in the riches of God's grace in Jesus Christ. You are invited to become an heir of God by means of God's greatest gift to humanity, Jesus Christ. READ GAL. 3:26-29.

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