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What is it that we celebrate at Christmas? You say, "The birth of Christ" or "That moment in human history when God became man." We use grand theological words like "incarnation" and biblical words like "Emmanuel" – meaning "God is with us!" Indeed, these are all true, but according to the text that I would unpack for you this morning; there is an often forgotten gift that comes to us with the coming of Jesus Christ, all of which came at God's perfect time.

We are living in some rather transitional times. It was not long ago, say 15 years or so, that there was not nearly the controversy over saying "Christmas" or of having depictions of Christmas displayed throughout a community. It is all so strange today. What would it be like to celebrate someone's birthday without making reference or mention of the person born on that day? We certainly would find it odd to celebrate Martin Luther King's birthday next month but refuse to mention his name.

And yet, this is exactly what is happening with Christ and Christmas. Even a perusal of the "Christmas" card section of secular shops reveals the fact that one is hard pressed to find cards that make mention of Jesus and His birth. There are plenty of cards with snowmen, winter scenes, Santa Claus, and even some with angels (on the more 'religious' cards), but very little connection is made between Christmas and the birth of the Christ.

Jeff Jacoby of *The Boston Globe* reported back in 2005 of the increase of the secularization of Great Britain leading to some dramatic statistics concerning Christmas. He wrote: *"From the land that produced 'A Christmas Carol' and Handel's 'Messiah,' more evidence that Christianity is fading in Western Europe: Nearly 99 percent of Christmas cards sold in Great Britain contain no religious message or imagery. 'Traditional pictures such as angels blowing trumpets over a stable, Jesus in his manger, the shepherds and three wise men following the star to Bethlehem are dying out,' the Daily Mail reports. A review of some 5,500 Christmas cards turns up fewer than 70 that make any reference to the birth of Jesus. 'Hundreds . . . avoided any image linked to Christmas at all' -- even those with no spiritual significance, such as Christmas trees or Santa Claus."* The report Jacoby also cites the fact that 75 percent of British companies have banned Christmas decorations "for fear of being sued by someone who finds the holiday offensive."¹ It has not gotten any better since 2005.

While it may be the trend in the world to neglect Christ at Christmas, we who bear His name must remind ourselves of what and more importantly, who we celebrate. We celebrate what is literally the most amazing birth of the most amazing man in the history of the world, all of which is recorded for us in God's Word.

There are plenty of passages that reveal to us *how* Jesus was born, but I would like to draw your attention to a text which explains *why* He was born. It is my prayer that you will come to better appreciate the biblical importance of His birth. Please turn in your bibles to Galatians 4:4-7 where we find that Jesus would be born in accordance with God's perfect timing. Additionally, we also come to see in our text that there were actually two gifts that resulted from the Son of God becoming the Son of man. Please follow along as I read Galatians 4:4-7:

4 But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, 5 so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. 6 Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.

¹ http://www.boston.com/news/globe/editorial_opinion/oped/articles/2005/11/30/de_christmasing_christmas/

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Let's begin by putting our text into context; setting the stage for you. These words were written by the apostle Paul to several churches in a region of north-central Asia Minor, modern-day Turkey, known as Galatia. Paul was writing to address a controversy. There were teachers, called Judaizers, that had made their way into the churches Paul had started there and these men were undermining the faith by insisting that believing in Jesus Christ was not enough for salvation. In addition to trusting in Christ, one must also keep God's law, without which there was no salvation. These were teaching that Old Testament ceremonial practices (like circumcision) were still binding on the New Testament church. In short, the Gospel of salvation by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone was under attack and Paul was used by God to dispel this false teaching of the Judaizers.

In Galatians 1 and 2, Paul identified the source of this false teaching of Christ plus one's own work in keeping the Law. In Galatians 3 Paul restates that *faith alone* is all that is necessary for salvation, and that the law is actually unable to save anyone (3:21 – ***“Is the Law then contrary to the promises of God? May it never be! For if a law had been given which was able to impart life, then righteousness would indeed have been based on law”***); that the law was meant to lead a person to understand his own need of Christ (3:24 – ***“Therefore the Law has become our tutor to lead us to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith”***); and that it is through faith alone in Christ alone that a person becomes a son of God (3:26 – ***“For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus”***).

We need to remember all of this as we come to Galatians 4. Paul's was seeking to make that point that our position as the sons of God is linked only to our relationship with the Son of God. Only as we have faith in the Son of God and what He has done for us are we then the sons of God! There is nothing for us to add. We might ask, how is it that belief in Jesus, in what He alone accomplished on the cross, is sufficient to set a sinner free from the power and penalty of sin as well as making obedience to Old Testament ceremonial law necessary? We find the answer to these questions in our text and the reason why Christ alone is sufficient is because God, in His perfect timing, brought to mankind two gifts that result in true freedom and life. The first you are readily familiar with; the second you know but might be apt to forget. The first gift is found in verses 4-5 where we see that...

I. God sent forth His Son (4-5)

4 But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, 5 so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

God sent, gave and blessed humanity with the perfect gift of His own Son. What makes this sending so perfect? Let us note three things.

A. Jesus came at the perfect time (4a).

But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son

When did God send His Son? When ***“the fullness of time came...”*** The key word here is “fullness” which means “the state of being filled up” (*pleroma*) “that which is filled up.” It carries the idea of completeness and fulfillment, that which in a state of its full end. You might think of a glass into which you are pouring ice tea. When the tea reaches the top of the glass you say, “It is full.” Fullness is the condition or state of being full. Once your glass is full of tea you stop pouring and start drinking!

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But what is in this state of completion in our text? It is **'the fullness of time.'** The Greek word here is *chronos* from which we get our word *chronology*. And what is a chronology? It is an orderly sequence of events. A happens, then B, then C. The text is telling us that when God sent His Son into the world, He did so when according to an orderly sequence of events that found their fullness at this very point. The coming of Jesus was at the perfect time. What made the time so perfect? Stop to think about this truth; that before the world was even called into existence by the voice of God, God had already planned and orchestrated this very birthday! And for centuries before, God had been revealing the details of this birthday through the prophets so that both Israel and all who come to believe the Scriptures would know that Jesus came at the perfect time. Let me show you some five ways in which we know that Jesus came at the perfect time.

First, Jesus came in connection with perfect promises. Do you know that the Old Testament has a long line of promises pointing to the coming of Christ? We can follow that line from Genesis right to the little town of Bethlehem. Let me show you just a few of these perfectly fulfilled promises:

A promise to Adam and Eve—Genesis 3:15

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise him on the heel. The "protoevangelium" – the first gospel promise of one who would come to rescue and redeem Adam's race; perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

A promise to Abraham—Genesis 12:1-3

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go forth from your country, And from your relatives And from your father's house, To the land which I will show you; 2 And I will make you a great nation, And I will bless you, And make your name great; And so you shall be a blessing; 3 And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed." The promise of one from Abraham's line that would bless all the peoples of the earth; perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

A promise to Jacob—Genesis 28:14

Your descendants will also be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and in you and in your descendants shall all the families of the earth be blessed. The promise of one from Jacob's line through whom all the peoples of the earth would be blessed; perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

A promise concerning Judah —Genesis 49:10

The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes, And to him shall be the obedience of the peoples. The promise that one from the tribe of Judah shall be the ultimate ruler for the people; perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

A promise to Moses—Deut. 18:18

I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. The promise of a prophet like Moses being raised up to lead the people; perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

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A promise to David—2 Samuel 7:12-13

12 When your days are complete and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your descendant after you, who will come forth from you, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. The promise of a Son of David who would rule forever; perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

A promise to Isaiah—Isaiah 7:14; 9:6

Isaiah 7:14 - Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel. Isaiah 9:6 - For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. Two promises perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

A promise to Micah—Micah 5:2

But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Too little to be among the clans of Judah, From you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, From the days of eternity. A promise identifying the very place where the promised Messiah would be from; perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

Time does not permit us to look at all the promises given by God to His people stating the coming of His Son. What we do see is that according to Galatians 4:4 we can say that the fullness of time had come because these promises were perfectly fulfilled in Jesus.

Second, not only were promises perfectly fulfilled, but the political climate of the world was also perfect. We know that Jesus was born around 4 B.C. and that the world was ruled at that time by the Romans; the perfect political climate for His coming. If Jesus had come say some four hundred years earlier or later, He would have entered a world in political upheaval. But at this moment in history, there was political stability and security. History refers to this time as the *Pax Romana*, which means "Peace by the mighty military arm of the Roman Empire." Any uprisings were immediately and brutally squashed and while there was a fear of the Romans, that fear kept the peace.

As a result of this peace, Romans were able to develop a highly sophisticated transportation system throughout their empire; some of the routes which are still in use today. Why is this important? Most significantly for the spread of the gospel; for once Jesus returned to heaven, His followers would use this elaborate system of roads to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth, all in the absence of war and political turmoil.

Third, not only were the promises perfectly fulfilled; not only was the political climate perfect, but also the religious climate was perfect. What do I mean by perfect religious conditions? Well, for the Jews, much had taken place since the last prophet Malachi prophesized around 400 B.C. The books of the Old Testament were determined and the Jews had come to take a great interest in things of theology, such as angels, the resurrection, life after death, the coming kingdom, and the Messiah. During the 400 years preceding the first coming of Christ, the Jews developed a number of divisions or sects including the Pharisees, Sadducees, Essenes, Samaritans, Zealots, Herodians, and more, kind of like the various denominations we have today. The result of all this was to create in the hearts of the people an emptiness, knowing that something was missing. Additionally, the Jews established synagogues wherever they settled in

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the Roman Empire, meeting places that would later be used to by New Testament missionaries a starting place from which to begin their evangelistic efforts.

But the Gentiles too were in a perfect religious condition for the coming of Christ. The Romans were polytheists, believing in many gods; but many of the people began to realize the emptiness of such worship and this resulted in an openness on the part of the Gentiles to the new religious teachings that would come through Christianity.

Fourth, in addition to all of these, the social climate was perfect for Christ's coming. While there was the *Pax Romana*, the peace through the iron arm of Rome, there were yet tensions between Rome and Israel which would culminate in A.D. 70 when the Roman Emperor Titus destroyed Jerusalem and the Jewish temple. It would be through the Roman persecution of the Jews, which would include the new Jewish sect of Christians that would scatter the Christians throughout the world, taking with them the Gospel message. All of this was by God's design, according to His perfect time.

Fifth, we know that the language of the Roman Empire was perfectly suited to the spread of the Gospel. *Koine*, or common Greek was the official language throughout the Roman Empire. Cultures that had been divided by language were now interacting with one another. You could literally from northern Africa to Jerusalem on through Asia Minor, Greece, Italy, and as far west as Spain and still communicate with people. Again, in God's perfect timing, a Greek translation of the Hebrew Old Testament into this *koine* Greek was crafted. Called the *Septuagint* (LXX), this translation was developed around 170 B.C. because so many Jews no longer understood Hebrew. By God's perfect timing and providence, it would be this translation that the early church could use and it meant that anyone in the Roman Empire could read it! Also, the New Testament writers used this language to compose their letters so no other translation was needed.

This is the fullness of time into which God sent His Son. It was the perfect time. By way of brief application, all this reminds us that God not only has planned this chronology for His Son, but indeed has ordained your own chronology and you can trust Him. So then, Jesus came at the perfect time, but second...

B. He came as the perfect person (4b)

God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law...

Here, in this short description we are told of the perfect characteristics of this One whom God sent.

First, what made Jesus perfect is His perfect deity. He is fully God. We read, "**God sent forth His Son...**" As the Son of God, being of the very order of God, Jesus possesses the very nature and characteristics of His Father. We see the deity of this perfect person in these words. In John 10:30, Jesus said of Himself, "**I and my Father are one (John 10:30).**"

Second, what made Jesus perfect is His perfect humanity. He is fully man. Notice the phrase, "**born of a woman...**" Born of a "*gynaikos*," a term which distinguishes human gender, literally "born of an *adult female*." In other words, a human being, a woman, gave birth to God's Son. The fact that He was *God's Son* reveals the deity of Jesus. The fact that He was born of a woman reveals the humanity of Jesus. Here is the marvelous wonder of God actually becoming man. And the man Jesus continued to be God. In theological terms, we call this the hypostatic union; that 100% God and 100% man were united perfectly and eternally in the person of Jesus.

Third, what made Jesus perfect is His perfect obedience. Notice how verse 4 ends stating that Jesus was "born *under law*." Back some fourteen centuries earlier, God gave His Law to the

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people through Moses. God's law revealed His glory and showed His people how they could reflect His glorious nature to the world, by perfectly obeying that law, living under that law. But we know that Israel failed to keep this law, however Jesus did not. Jesus was born *under law*, entering the world as a Jew. Jesus also lived *under law*, perfectly keeping the laws by His righteous life, fulfilling the righteous requirements of the law established by God, something sinful human man has never been able to do for himself.

So we see this perfect Jesus, possessing all three traits. Jesus had to be divine in order to give His sacrifice infinite value. Jesus had to be human. Since it was human beings who sinned, a human being had to bear the penalty for sin. And Jesus had to be born *under law*, for it was God's law that sinners had violated and it was the righteousness of that law that needed to be upheld. Do you see how Jesus came at the perfect time; coming as the perfect person? But there is one more thing that made the coming of Jesus perfect...

C. He came for the perfect purpose (5)

...so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons...

Back in verse 4 we read that God *sent* His Son. The verb is *exapostello* which means "to send out for a purpose; to send out on a mission." In verse 5 that purpose or mission is revealed: *"...so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons..."*

There are two key purposes related to God's sending of His Son. Did you catch them? First, Jesus was sent to **"redeem"**; and second, Jesus was sent that **"we might receive the adoption as sons."** Let me unfold this a bit for you:

First, we are told that Jesus came to do the work of redemption. We already noted how Jesus was born under the law in verse four; but this was in order that He might **redeem those under the law**. The word *redeem* is *exagorazomai* means 'to buy,' 'to buy up,' literally 'to purchase back.' One definition of "redeem" is 'to recover by payment of a price from the power of another.' That raises the question. From whose power did Christ set us free? To whom were we slaves. Other passages speak of man's enslavement to the devil (Heb. 1:14). But here Paul refers to those who were enslaved to *the law*. He says that Christ died to **redeem those under the law**. We need to be saved from the wrath of God that comes from our disobedience to God's stated standard of behavior.

Some of you might not have thought of God's law as being a master that enslaves people. But that is exactly what Scripture teaches. We are all born with a sin nature; an inclination to choose anything other than God and what He desires. This sin nature makes us believe that the world exists for us. Because this is our nature, we live it out. You do not have to teach a toddler to be upset when his friend takes away his toy. It's in our nature to be mad, to retaliate; to sin. As adults, it's in our nature to justify our own sinful behavior. If we are late for an appointment, we can convince ourselves we have the "right" to drive whatever speed we need to drive to make our appointment. We feel fine about it until we see the speed sign that reads 35 mph. We drive on a bit further and see another sign that says 55 mph. Each sign represents a master, that master being "the law". The law says we are not to drive faster than this sign lest there be a penalty. Now, there is huge difference between God's moral law and a speed sign. I may obey the speed sign even if I grumble about it and the local authorities could care less, so long as stay within the speed limit. But obedience to God's law is not just about our outward actions, but also our inward attitude. Our obedience to God is to be a reflection of my love for God and others.

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This is where our sin problem enters in. As sinners, we do not naturally love God and others. Do not try to convince yourself otherwise. The bible says that until the Spirit of Christ enters our lives, we are at war with God, some actively, others passively. And if we do not love God aright, we will not love others aright. Our sin nature drives us to use God and others to get what we want out of life. As we are exposed to God's Word, we encounter road signs that remind us that we are breaking the law. And try as we might, we cannot keep God's law. The problem is not the law of God, for it is good. The problem is within you. You are a slave to the law for you are a slave to sin.

Now enters the gospel. God sent forth His Son *to redeem those under the law...* Jesus came to, 'to recover by payment of a price from the power of another.' And what was the payment price? What did it cost this Son to redeem sinners like you and me? We find the answer back up on Galatians 3:13. Follow along with me as I read:

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us — for it is written, "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE" —

Having lived a perfect life, Jesus gave Himself over to sinful men who nailed Him on a wooden cross where He became a curse in order to redeem sinners from the curse. Jesus died in our place, taking upon our deserved curse which is death. Then, three days later God made it clear His Son's redemption price was sufficient by raising Him from the dead. Beloved, this is why Jesus was sent forth from God; to redeem you from the curse of the law you have broken so that you might live for Him. But there is a second perfect purpose for which Jesus was sent; not only to redeem, but also to provide us with adoption.

Second, Jesus did the work of adoption. Jesus was sent forth to ***redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons...*** the word for adoption in the Greek means "to formally and legally declare that someone who is not one's own child is henceforth to be treated and cared for as one's own child, including complete rights of inheritance."²

This is a marvel of God and unless it were stated here in God's Word, who of us could imagine that God would formally and legally declare sinners like us to be His own children and to treat us as such? We know that we do not deserve such treatment; but this is what we have been given; this is the gift that came to us with the coming of Christ. This is our identity. We are the redeemed of Christ! We are the adopted sons of God. This is the standing of every one who has received this gift the Father sent, the gift of *His Son*.

Now this is all wonderfully good, is it not? But what if I told you there was more; that God has given us more than just His Son? According to our text, the coming of Jesus brought two gifts; the second gift being often forgotten or neglected. What is this second gift?

II. God sent His Spirit (6-7)

6 Because you are sons, God has sent forth [same verb as in verse 4] the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.

² Louw, J. P., & Nida, E. A. (1996, c1989). *Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament : Based on semantic domains* (electronic ed. of the 2nd edition.) (LN 35.53). New York : United Bible societies.

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It is important that we realize that the gift of the Son is inseparable from the gift of the Spirit. Just as God sent His Son, God has also sent the Spirit of His Son. Paul is speaking of the Holy Spirit who came just days after Jesus ascended into heaven. You see, the moment we become the sons of God by faith in His Son, we also receive the Holy Spirit. And where is this Spirit? God sent the Spirit of Christ into our hearts. If you have the Son, you have the Spirit of His Son living in you. I love how Sinclair Ferguson put it, "The Son of God came to dwell in human flesh for us in order that He might come to dwell in us by His Spirit." I know I am running long, but give me just a few more moments to share some thoughts to help us appreciate all the more the gift of the Holy Spirit. For with the Spirit in our hearts, we have two blessed privileges...

First, we are told that we are sons of God, that we belong to His family with all the rights and privileges that go with it. Have you ever been to someone's house, or family gathering where a group picture was to be taken. This family, to which you do not belong asks you to step into the picture, but how do you feel; often a bit strange, a bit like an outsider. But because of what Jesus did for us on the cross, those who believe are no longer outsiders to God's family; no we are insiders, with all the rights of sons. What are those rights and privileges? There are two listed in our text.

For one, we have intimacy with God. In verse six we read, *Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"* I would have you notice here that it is the Spirit who is "crying" or calling out, "Abba! Father!" on our behalf; in our hearts. The verb '**crying**' (krazo) is strong. It speaks of shouting, screaming, crying out, exclaiming. And what does the Spirit exclaim? **Abba, Father.** Abba is the Aramaic word a little child would use and mean "Daddy!" It is the same word Jesus used when He prayed in Gethsemane prior to the cross. We often miss it because we are more concerned with what Jesus said at the end of His statement rather than how He started it. But in Mark 14:36 we read Jesus saying, **"Abba! Father! All things are possible for You; remove this cup from Me; yet not what I will, but what You will."**

The Spirit cries out "Abba! Father" in our hearts, enabling us to cry out the same. This is what Paul was getting at in Romans 8:15 where we read, **"For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!"** Beloved, we have intimacy and communication with God because He has sent us the gift of His Son as well as the gift of His Spirit in our hearts.

But there is a **second** privilege that comes with the Spirit. We have intimacy and we have assurance. By the Spirit we call God "Abba" – that is "daddy"; but we also call Him "Father." God is our Father. The Holy Spirit gives us this assurance that God is our Father, our protector, our provider. I cannot give anyone assurance of salvation; but the Spirit of Christ can and does. Sadly, there are too many people who think they have assurance of salvation when they do not. They have convinced themselves they are part of God's family, not because of trusting in Christ to save them and change them, but because they have prayed a prayer; joined a church, or because grandpa was a preacher. The question is; does the Spirit of Christ cry out in your heart, "Abba! Father!" Does your life have the family resemblance of the Son of God. Beloved, if you are in Christ, the Spirit of Christ will reveal to you that you are a son of God using the Word of God to confirm it. If you lack assurance, go to the Word of God; go to a book like 1 John and pray for the promise that those who believe in the Son of God know they have eternal life. As you go to the Word of God, pray that the Holy Spirit would show the reason you lack this assurance of sonship. It may be that you are not yet a son; or He may take away your lack of assurance

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revealing to you that you are a son because you know the Son! Because God sent His Spirit to us we belong to God's family as sons. But there is a second privilege...

Second, we have a heirs of God. Reading in verse 7, ***Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.*** Before Christ, we were slaves; in Christ we are now sons. Our position used to be that of slave; now it is that of a son. And with the position of being a son of God comes a great possession. We are *heirs*. The word means "a receiver." An heir is one who is entitled to receive something. Sounds a bit like Christmas, huh?

But just what is to be received? We find the answer to that over in Romans 8:17 where we read, ***"and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him."***

At first glance this inheritance seems a bit odd, but it is the very inheritance that Jesus received. What is it? Suffering here, glory hereafter. If we be in Christ, we are to expect suffering now but know there will be glory, Christ's glory in the hereafter.

Let me close with just two questions. First, have you receive the first gift that the Father sent forth, that is His Son Jesus? If you have, then remember that you are royalty; a member of God's family. Also remember that if you have received the first gift sent forth from God, then you also have the second gift, the Spirit of Christ. Thank the Lord for these two gifts. The second question I would ask you is this, are you experiencing what the Spirit offers? What does He offer? He offers intimacy with God and the assurance of sonship. All of this came to humanity in general in the fullness of time. I am asking you now, has it come to you specifically in this present time. This is God's perfect timing; and these are God's perfect gifts. Receive them; believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and be saved; walk by the Spirit of Christ and rejoice in intimacy with God and assurance from God.

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