

# Freedom's Gate

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## Your Inheritance is **NOW**

By Anne Pranger

"Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he (servant) said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.' But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. So he answered and said to his father, 'Lo, these many years I have been **servi**ng you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.' And he said to him, 'Son, you are **always with me**, and **all that I have is yours**. It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.'" (Luke 15:25-32)

This is a perfect picture of a man who did not understand that his inheritance is **now!** It is also an accurate description of how many of us in the Body of Christ think. We lack revelation first of our seated position with Christ in God and second, along with that position we have been given an inheritance.

Jesus died and rose, not just so you could go to heaven, but to make you a **joint heir** with Him (Romans 8:17). Jesus is speaking to the Apostle Paul in Acts 26:14-18 about what He has

called him to do. Verse 18 says, "To open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and **an inheritance** among those who are sanctified by faith in Me."

It is time we fully understand what Jesus has done for us. Hebrews 10:10 says we were sanctified once and for all by the Body of Jesus Christ. If you have received Christ as your Savior, then you **are** sanctified (not going to be) and you have an

inheritance in Him. That inheritance is yours for the taking.

I love the word salvation, because it is all encompassing. It means (Hebrew and Greek combined): rescue, safety, deliver, health, protection, preserve, make whole, help, victory, prosperity, liberty. That list covers everything and every area in your life! Romans 8:32 says that God gives us **freely** all things.

One of our married sons used to stop by occasionally for lunch if he was in the area. He would "explore" the cupboards and refrigerator for food that was to his liking. If I didn't have it, he would tell me the next time I went to the store, I needed to buy that food. As I would look at him with a raised eyebrow he would smile and tell me he was getting his inheritance now!

He had **clear** revelation that we loved him and he could have anything of ours he needed or wanted. Isn't that the way we should be with our heavenly Father? He has told us in His word that He loves us and all that He has is ours. In the story I referred to in the beginning, we see that the son was faithful to stay with the father and **serve** Him "those many years." The problem was in his thinking. He thought he had to serve His dad to **get** the blessings. The blessings were free, they didn't have to be earned.

Galatians 4:7 says, "Therefore you are no longer a servant, but a son, and if a son, then an **heir** of God through Christ." It is through our son-ship that we **understand** our inheritance is free. As long as we think we have to do something to earn it, then we are thinking with our carnal mind and that mind will tell us we can't receive that inheritance.

1 Peter 1:4 tells us we have an inheritance "incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you. Well, did you know heaven came to live **in you?**"

John 14:23 says that Jesus and His Father came and made their home in us. So that inheritance is reserved **in you "for" you!**

Soon we will celebrate Easter; soon we will celebrate resurrection! Let's make the exchange Jesus died and rose for – let's "let go" of us and receive all of Him! **He** is your inheritance and all the promises are **YES** in Him (2 Corinthians 1:20). Brothers and sisters, receive your inheritance. It is **free!** Open up your mouth and praise Him and say "I receive my inheritance now! I receive **all** of You, Jesus!"

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## The *Power* of a forgiven heart

"He who does not habitually commune with Me alone is almost sure to find true prayer impossible in public." (Frances J. Roberts) What hinders us from communing with the Lord alone? Is it a lack of time? A lack of motivation or direction? Maybe we underestimate the value of time alone with God. I wish to present another possibility – it may be a lack of revelation of the extent of **forgiveness** which we have received through Christ. When we look through the lens of our humanity, we tend to compare ourselves and to perhaps consider that we have more or less to be forgiven of compared to other people ...however, the truth is that the old nature holds the propensity to sin, and this nature lies within us all. Praise God that we, IN Christ, have been set free from the old nature or the "body of sin" (Romans 6:6) and in God's eyes we are considered to be "a new creation." Each one of us has been "forgiven much" yet some of us fail to comprehend the depth of forgiveness that has been lavished upon us, thus hindering us from "loving much." Daily, we choose which reality will be ours – either the life of the old, or the Life that is really LIFE, that is, the life of the New Creation. It is the very Life of Jesus abiding within us and we in Him, "for in Him, we live and move and have our being (Acts 17:28a)." We must choose one, for the Word says that we either sow after the flesh or after the spirit. (Galatians 6:8) **When we have a revelation of God's forgiveness we will more readily walk in the Spirit.** If we believe we've been "forgiven little" or perhaps if we think our forgiveness is reliant upon our confession or remorsefulness, we will find it a struggle to walk in the Spirit and to spend time in the presence of God. The enemy wants to somehow convince us that we have done something to sever fellowship with God – he wants us to be persuaded that we need to make a way in order to be reconciled to the Father – through our "being good" and our self-imposed offerings of penance. **Truly, the only sacrifice for sins has been made and the gift of forgiveness has flooded the earth through the offering of Jesus Christ, once and for all.** (Hebrews 9:26, 10:10) It's there for the taking! We need only receive it. When we do receive this revelation of the extent of the Lord's forgiveness, then we will be highly motivated to sit before Him... yes, we will be counted among those who "boldly approach the throne of grace" and this is **WHY** Jesus gave His life, to save us from a continual feeling of guilt, unworthiness, and shame. I encourage you to cease striving for the Lord's forgiveness, and rather declare what you already have in Him.

*Continue on back*

*I pray for you today that the Lord will grant you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, that you may know Him better, that you would be strengthened with might in your inner man. I pray that your eyes would be open to the extent of His forgiveness and His Love lavished upon you. Lord, I ask that as You cause an awakening in the hearts of Your children, that there would be a greater boldness arising deep within us, causing us to draw near to You. Father, we choose You and we believe that You have already forgiven us as far as the east is from the west. We believe in the power of Your Son's blood over our lives – to set us free from a spirit of condemnation and to take us into a revelation of our beloved-ness in Your sight.*

When we know who we are in His sight, we are released to love Him with the Love He has given to us. This is a love that is freely given, a love without ill motives. We will cease striving to love Him out of our limited human heart, and we will rather love Him from a deeper depth... **a love that is given because HE gave.** When we truly receive forgiveness from the Father, it will release us to love

with His Love. Love will flow bountifully back to His own heart, for it will surely overflow and abound in us, beckoning us to gaze upon Him and to know His beauty.

“There is a special bread that He feeds to the ones who love Him in private; there’s a manna that He saves for these special ones who extravagantly waste themselves in the presence of God.” (Mike Bickle) You will feed on this special bread when you purpose to come boldly into His throne room, knowing that you are accepted in the Beloved, laying aside every condemning voice, and every hindering thought that would attempt to make you believe that you are separated from the Lord.

**Truly, you are IN HIM.**

Joyfully HIS,  
Julie Przeszlo



Hi Anne. Just wanted to share with you an amazing testimony of the goodness of the Lord. I've had several opportunities to share about some of the things I gleaned this past weekend (at your home) with several friends at IHOP. One girl, who is interested in coming with me to visit in the future, came over last night and is REALLY receiving this revelation. I got to show her the bowls and the finished work of Christ. The Lord is so good to us. Wow!

~ Julie, OH

As we previously mentioned, New and Living Way is partnering with Ram Zango to build a radio station in Burkina Faso, Africa that has the potential to reach 3 million people a day. We are excited to report that the tower for the radio station is erected. Thanks to all of you who have caught this vision.

The stone has  
been rolled away -  
**HE IS RISEN!**



**“But seek (aim and strive after) first of all, His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right) and then all these things taken together will be given to you besides.” (Matthew 6:33, Amplified)**

I think this scripture is one of the verses I come back to, time and time again. It is an awesome scripture and I am sure many of you have heard this verse before. My question is, do we fully understand it?

I am a wife, mother of 5, and a home schooling mom. My oldest child is almost 16, so I am definitely a taxi driver also! I am sure all of you can relate to the busyness of life. Like many of you, there are times I deal with pressures of life, worry, stress, anxiety and fear. The good news is you can overcome all of that **“in Christ”**. I don't let my emotions rule me, I rule my emotions.

Furthermore, I seek His kingdom first thing. When I seek Him first and give Him all of my anxieties, He actually takes it all away from me and gives me a total peace. Romans 14:17b says, “The Kingdom of God is righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.” Without righteousness, joy and peace, we have nothing.

Recently I was watching a pastor and he told a story that I cannot forget. This story had been told to him by a man named Clifford (who had been the worship leader for Billy Graham for many years).

Here's the story: There was a very wealthy man who lived in New York. He married a beautiful woman and they tried to have children for they wanted to give their inheritance to them. They tried unsuccessfully for many years. Finally, the husband and wife conceived and during delivery, she died of complications, but she delivered a baby boy. The boy was mentally and physically handicapped; he was a much disfigured boy. The father loved the boy and hired the best nurses to take care of him. At age 12, the boy died and a year later, the father died of a broken heart.

After the man's death, they had an auction for all of his belongings. The auctioneer started off the bidding with this huge oil painting

of the man's 12 year old son. Nobody would start the bid. The auctioneer kept persisting. Finally, a lady clear in the back spoke up and said, “I will give \$5.” (The lady was actually one of the nurses that took care of the boy). The auctioneer sold the painting to the lady and then handed her an envelope. He then hit the gavel on the table and said the auction was over. The crowd was astonished. How could the

auction be over? The lady opened the envelope and in it were documentations that said this lady was given all of the inheritance of this man's worth. The wealthy man wrote in the letter, “Whoever loves my son, I will give them all my inheritance.” Sound familiar?

That lady so spoke home to me. It is so real. Seeking the Kingdom of God first is the one and only thing we need to do. When we keep our eyes on the true Kingdom of God – **ON HIM**, His righteousness,

His peace, and His joy and all of the rest will be added to us in abundance. He will give us all that we cannot even possibly think and hope.

Let's all seek His kingdom first. Get up every morning and say, “Because I seek God's kingdom and His righteousness, He adds to me all things that I need to live in His peace and joy.”

We often hear people say “Just sit on Daddy's lap”, but I'm telling you that there is a higher and better place to be. Enter into the Rest, the hiding place of God's love. Abide in Him, where you feel and hear His heartbeat and experience His love. No pit is so deep that the love of God is not deeper still. That is how much He loves us.

Receive what has already been poured out. You will be rested, refreshed, revived, restored, and refilled.

**God's blessings.**

~ Kris Pranger

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