Secrets Of An Abundant Christian Life

Romans 15:8-13

Jesus <u>Didn't Save Us</u> to be listless, dry, dull, barely <u>Clinging</u> to spiritual life.

Jesus Saved us to Overflow with every spiritual Blessing.

There are <u>Two Ministries Performed</u> on OUR behalf that make the <u>Abundant Life Possible</u>...

- 1. THE GLORY OF THE <u>SAVIOR'S</u> MINISTRY FOR US (vv. 8-12)
- The Work Jesus has <u>Done</u> & continues to <u>Do</u>, He does on behalf of <u>OTHERS</u>.
- Jesus Is God's Promise To The <u>JEWISH</u> People (v.8)
- The Jews <u>Stumbled</u> over Him being a <u>Suffering Servant</u> instead of <u>Conquering</u> <u>Commander</u>.
- Jesus is God's Prophecy To The <u>GENTILE</u> People (vv. 9-12)
- He came as a Minister of Salvation for ALL that will Receive Him by Faith!
- 2. THE GLORY OF THE SPIRIT'S MINISTRY FOR US (v.13)
- God has <u>Fixed</u> it so you can <u>Live</u> your life <u>Overflowing</u> with the <u>best of His Blessings</u> every single day!
- Verse 13 Points To The <u>AUTHOR</u> Of The Abundant Life
- <u>Living</u> life in a "<u>RUT</u>" is <u>NOT</u> "<u>Abundant Life</u>" at all.
- The <u>Secret</u> of the abundant life is being <u>Saved</u> & <u>living <u>Close</u> to the Father!
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- Verse 13 Points To The <u>ATTRIBUTES</u> Of The Abundant Life
- They can ONLY BE <u>FOUND</u> in <u>Jesus</u>.
- 1. JOY REAL JOY cannot be touched by the Circumstances of life!
- 2. PEACE It's a life that RESTS in the Promises & Power of God.
- 3. HOPE It's a life of deep settled Conviction based on the word of God.
- Verse 13 Points To The <u>APPROPRIATION</u> Of The Abundant Life
- The answer to <u>Getting It</u> is found in <u>Two Words</u> in v.13: "<u>IN BELIEVING.</u>"
- You have *More Faith* than you *Realize*! (1 John 5:9, 11)
- When we <u>Receive</u> the Son by faith we also <u>Receive</u> the Holy Spirit who <u>Leads</u> us in <u>Living</u> an abundant Life for God's glory!
- Has your life been like that Struggling Little Stream OR an Artesian Well?