



Children are God's love-gift; they are heaven's generous reward. What will your legacy be? - Part 2

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Psalm 127 ³ Children are God's love-gift; they are heaven's generous reward. TPT

Acts 2 ³⁸ Peter replied, "Repent and return to God, and each one of you must be baptized in the name of Jesus, the Anointed One, to have your sins removed. Then you may take hold of the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For God's promise of the Holy Spirit is for you and your families, for those yet to be born and for everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." TPT

Isaiah 49 ²⁵ But Yahweh says: "The prey will be freed from the mighty warrior and captives will be rescued from a conqueror! For I will fight with those who fight with you, and I myself will save your children." TPT

Isaiah 54 ¹⁰ Even if the mountains were to crumble and the hills disappear, my heart of steadfast, faithful love will never leave you, and my covenant of peace with you will never be shaken," says Yahweh, whose love and compassion will never give up on you. ¹¹ "You unhappy one, storm-tossed and troubled, I am ready to rebuild you with precious stones and embed your foundation with sapphires. ¹³ All your children will be taught by Yahweh, and great will be their peace and prosperity. ¹⁴ You will be established in righteousness. Oppression—be far from them! Fear—be far from them! Yes, terror will not come near you, nor will you be afraid. ¹⁵ If anyone dares to stir up strife against you, it is not from me! Those who challenge you will go down in defeat. ¹⁷ But I promise you, no weapon meant to hurt you will succeed, and you will refute every accusing word spoken against you. This promise is the inheritance of Yahweh's servants, and their vindication is from me," says Yahweh. TPT

Deuteronomy 30 ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live; NKJV

Proverbs 10 ¹⁵ A rich man's wealth becomes like a citadel of strength, but the poverty of the poor leaves their security in shambles. TPT - ²² The blessing of the Lord makes one rich, And He adds no sorrow with it. NKJV

Deuteronomy 8 ¹⁸ But you are to remember the Lord your God, for it is He who is giving you power to make wealth, in order to confirm His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day. NASB

Isaiah 48 ¹⁷ This is what Yahweh, your Kinsman-Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel says: "I am Yahweh, your God. I am the One who teaches you how to succeed and who leads you *step by step* in the way you should go. TPT

Genesis 12 ² Follow me, and I will make you into a great nation. I will exceedingly bless and prosper you, and I will make you famous, so that you will be a tremendous source of blessing for others. ³ I will bless all who bless you and curse all who curse you. And through you all the families of the earth will be blessed." ⁴ So Abram obeyed Yahweh and left; and Lot went with him. Now Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran *after his father died.* ... ^{13:2} Now Abram had become very rich in livestock, silver, and gold. ... ^{15:1} Afterwards, the word of

Yahweh came to Abram in a vision and said, "Abram, don't yield to fear, for I am your Faithful Shield and your Abundant Reward." ² But Abram replied, "**Lord Yahweh, what good is your reward if I remain childless? I'm about to die without a son,** and my servant, Eliezer of Damascus, will inherit all my wealth." ³ A servant in my household will end up with everything because you have not given me any children." ⁴ Immediately, the word of Yahweh came to him: "No! Eliezer will not be your heir. I will give you a son from your own body to be your heir." ⁵ Then Yahweh brought him outside his tent and said, "Gaze into the night sky. Go ahead and try to count the stars." He continued, "Your seed will be as numerous as the stars!" ⁶ **And Abram trusted every word Yahweh had spoken! And because of his faith, Yahweh credited it to him as righteousness.** ...

Romans 4 ¹⁸ **Against all odds, when it looked hopeless, Abraham believed the promise and expected God to fulfill it. He took God at his word, and as a result he became the father of many nations.** God's declaration over him came to pass: "**Your descendants will be so many that they will be impossible to count!**" ¹⁹ **In spite of being nearly one hundred years old when the promise of having a son was made, his faith was so strong that it could not be undermined by the fact that he and Sarah were incapable of conceiving a child.** ²⁰⁻²¹ **He never stopped believing God's promise,** for he was made strong in his faith *to father a child*. **And because he was mighty in faith and convinced that God had all the power needed to fulfill his promises, Abraham glorified God!** ... ²⁴ but also over us. For when we believe and embrace the one who brought our Lord Jesus back to life, perfect righteousness will be credited to our account as well. ²⁵ **Jesus was handed over to be crucified for the forgiveness of our sins and was raised back to life to prove that he had made us right with God!** TPT

Genesis 26 ¹ Now, another famine struck the land, like the one in Abraham's time. Isaac traveled to Gerar where Abimelech was the Philistine king. ² **Yahweh appeared before Isaac** and said, "Do not go down to Egypt. Stay in the land that I will reveal to you." ³ Live there as a foreigner, and **my presence will be with you. I promise to bless you, for I will give all these lands to you and your descendants. I will fulfill the oath I swore to your father Abraham.** ⁴ I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars of heaven, and I will *one day* give them all these lands. I will bless all the nations of the earth through your offspring ⁵ **because Abraham was faithful to me.** He listened to my voice and yielded his heart to follow my direction. He kept my commandments, my instructions, and my teachings." ... ¹² **Isaac planted crops in that land, and in the same year reaped a hundred-fold harvest, for Yahweh greatly blessed him!** ¹³ Isaac grew richer and richer until he was extremely wealthy. ¹⁴ He acquired so many flocks and herds and so many servants that the Philistines grew jealous, TPT

1 Timothy 6 ¹⁰ **Loving money is a root of all evils.** Some people run after it so much that they have given up their faith. Craving more money pushes them away from the faith into error, compounding misery in their lives! TPT

Luke 15 ¹¹ Then Jesus said, "Once there was a father with two sons. ¹² The younger son came to his father and said, 'Father, don't you think it's time to give me my share of your estate?' So the father went ahead and distributed between the two sons their inheritance. ¹³ Shortly afterward, the younger son packed up all his belongings and traveled off to see the world. He journeyed to a far-off land where he soon wasted all he was given in a binge of extravagant and reckless living. ¹⁴ "With everything spent and nothing left, he grew hungry, because there was a severe famine in that land. ¹⁵ So he begged a farmer in that country to hire him. The farmer hired him and sent him out to feed the pigs. ¹⁶ The son was so famished, he was willing even to eat the slop given to the pigs, because no one would feed him a thing. ¹⁷ "**Humiliated, the son finally realized what he was doing, and he thought, 'There are many workers at my father's house who have all the food they want with plenty to spare. They lack nothing. Why am I here dying of hunger, feeding these pigs and eating their slop?'** ¹⁸ I want to go back home to my father's house, and I'll say to him, "Father, I was wrong. I have sinned against

you. ¹⁹ I'll never again be worthy to be called your son. Please, Father, just treat me like one of your employees." ' ²⁰ "So the young son set off for home. From a long distance away, his father saw him coming, dressed as a beggar, and great compassion swelled up in his heart for his son who was returning home. The father raced out to meet him, swept him up in his arms, hugged him dearly, and kissed him over and over with tender love. ²¹ "Then the son said, 'Father, I was wrong. I have sinned against you. I could never deserve to be called your son. Just let me be—' "The father interrupted and said, 'Son, you're home now!' ²² "Turning to his servants, the father said, 'Quick, bring me the best robe, my very own robe, and I will place it on his shoulders. Bring the ring, the seal of sonship, and I will put it on his finger. And bring out the best shoes you can find for my son. ²³ Let's prepare a great feast and celebrate. ²⁴ For my beloved son was once dead, but now he's alive! Once he was lost, but now he is found! And everyone celebrated with overflowing joy. TPT

Hebrews 2 ¹⁵ By embracing death Jesus sets free those who live their entire lives in bondage to the tormenting dread of death. TPT

1 John 5 ¹ Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Messiah is God's spiritual child and has been fathered by God himself. And everyone who loves Father God loves his children as well. ... ¹³ I've written this letter to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you will be assured and know without a doubt that you have eternal life. TPT

Romans 10 ³ And since they've ignored the righteousness God gives, wanting instead to be acceptable to God because of their own works, they've refused to submit to God's faith-righteousness. ⁴ For Christ is the end of the law. And because of him, God has transferred his perfect righteousness to all who believe. ... ⁹ And what is God's "living message"? It is the revelation of faith for salvation, which is the message that we preach. For if you publicly declare with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will experience salvation. ¹⁰ The heart that believes in him receives the gift of the righteousness of God—and then the mouth confesses, resulting in salvation. ¹¹ For the Scriptures encourage us with these words: "Everyone who believes in him will never be disappointed." ... ¹³ And it's true: "Everyone who calls on the Lord's name will experience new life." TPT

Romans 3 ¹⁰ And the Scriptures agree, for it is written: There is no one who always does what is right, no, not even one! ... ²³ for we all have sinned and are in need of the glory of God. TPT

Romans 2 ⁴ Do the riches of his extraordinary kindness make you take him for granted and despise him? Haven't you experienced how kind and understanding he has been to you? Don't mistake his tolerance for acceptance. Do you realize that all the wealth of his extravagant kindness is meant to melt your heart and lead you into repentance? TPT

Romans 6 ²³ For sin's meager wages is death, but God's lavish gift is life eternal, found in your union with our Lord Jesus, the Anointed One. TPT

Romans 5 ⁸ But Christ proved God's passionate love for us by dying in our place while we were still lost and ungodly! ⁹ And there is still much more to say of his unfailing love for us! For through the blood of Jesus we have heard the powerful declaration, "You are now righteous in my sight." And because of the sacrifice of Jesus, you will never experience the wrath of God. ¹⁰ So if while we were still enemies, God fully reconciled us to himself through the death of his Son, then something greater than friendship is ours. Now that we are at peace with God, and because we share in his resurrection life, how much more we will be rescued from sin's dominion!