# The Eternal Plan of God For the Believer Ephesians 1:3-7





## The Blessings of God



## **Problems with Material Blessings**

- In the Old Testament used as a foreshadowing of the coming Spiritual blessings.
- May encourage hoarding and greed.
- Pride as though you achieved all this yourself.
- May cause envy, jealousy and then strife in others.

#### Problems with Material Blessings (continued)

- Temporary joy, peace, excitement with a false sense of peace and security that eventually fades away.
- Temptation that speaks to our flesh.
- Feed the flesh within us.
- May bring out selfishness.
- May not come from God but from others, possibly our enemy.



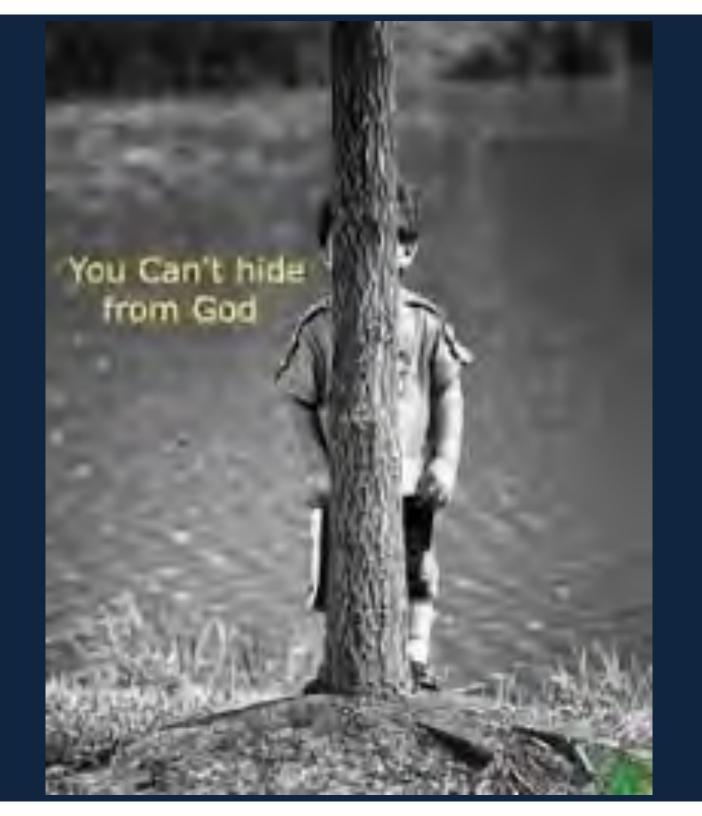
## **Spiritual Blessings**

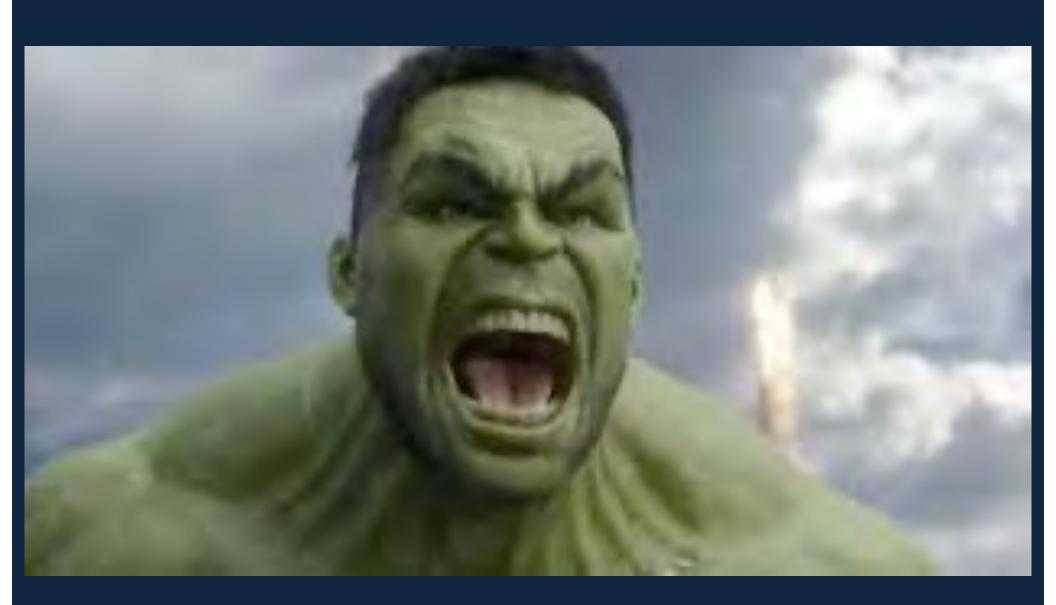
- The better blessings.
- Eternal cannot be taken from us.
- Always available to the saint.
- Come from God.
- Assists us with battling the flesh and the accuser.
- Blesses others as they bless us.
- Reminds us of Gods promises.

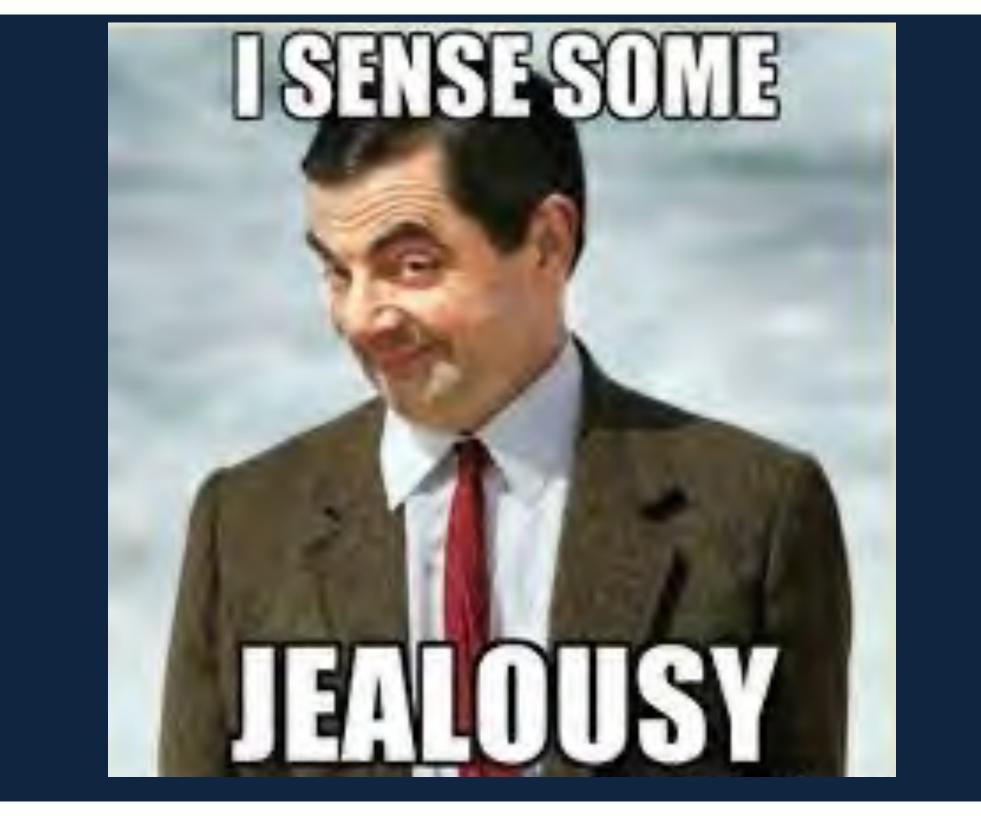


## God Chose Us











### God Says We Are Worth It







### He Made Us Acceptable



### **Redemption And Grace**

#### Death could not hold Jesus Acts 2: 24

He still has the scars John 20:27

He laid it down to take it up again John 10:17

#### <u>CLOSING THOUGHTS</u>:

God chose each and every one of us.

Will you choose God?

If you haven't, why?!

If you have, does the world know it?

#### Called to live a Holy and Blameless life.

Tell the world how to be healed from sin as we were.

How Great is our God?!

As sons and daughters, we should be about our Father's business.

**His Perfect Eternal Plan!**