You Are An Heir and Heirs Have Hope! Romans 4: 13 - 16

Sin	Salvation	Sancti- fication	Sovereignty	Service	So Long

HOPE

IS THE CONFIDENT EXPECTATION THAT SOMETHING GOOD IS GOING TO HAPPEN.

Verse 13 You are an *Heir* through faith

Heir = an inheritor, a possessor

What do I inherit?

Everything that Jesus owns!

Who inherits?

Children of God inherit!

What Jesus has by divine right, we receive by divine grace!

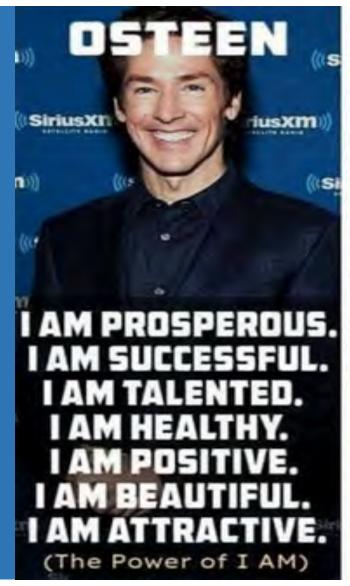
We are heirs, <u>not</u> by law keeping, being religious, or working really hard, but by <u>FAITH</u> in what Christ has done for me!

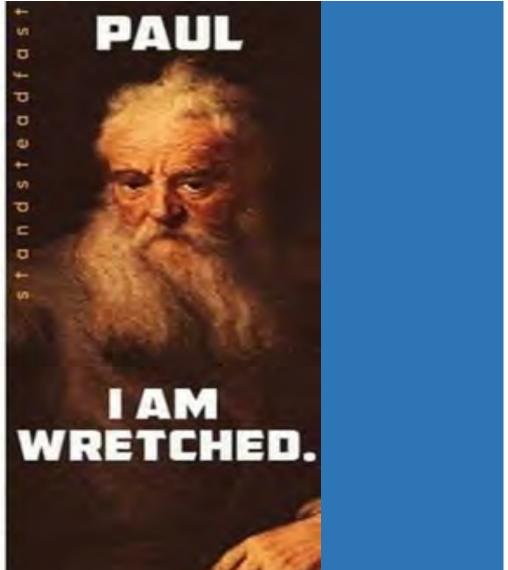
Verse 14 No one is an *Heir* by keeping the Law

We are all law breakers!

Law breaking is in our fallen DNA; we are all pitifully depraved

The "I am wonderful" message sells





Let's be honest - What does the law do to fallen us?

Lures us to get as close to

the line as possible



Verse 15

The Law brings wrath – an <u>Heir</u> will not experience the wrath

IT IS JUST THIS SIMPLE:

The Law can only result in the wrath of God – we need the Savior!

It does not matter how hard we try, we will fail; we cannot live up to perfection

Verse 16 It is by faith that we are an *Heir*

Abraham is the father of the Jews, and spiritual father of every believer - <u>Galatians 3: 29</u>

We are *Heirs* by grace through faith alone!

You are an <u>Heir</u> (a possessor, an inheritor, a ruler, priest and king) because of the New Covenant!

CLOSING THOUGHTS:

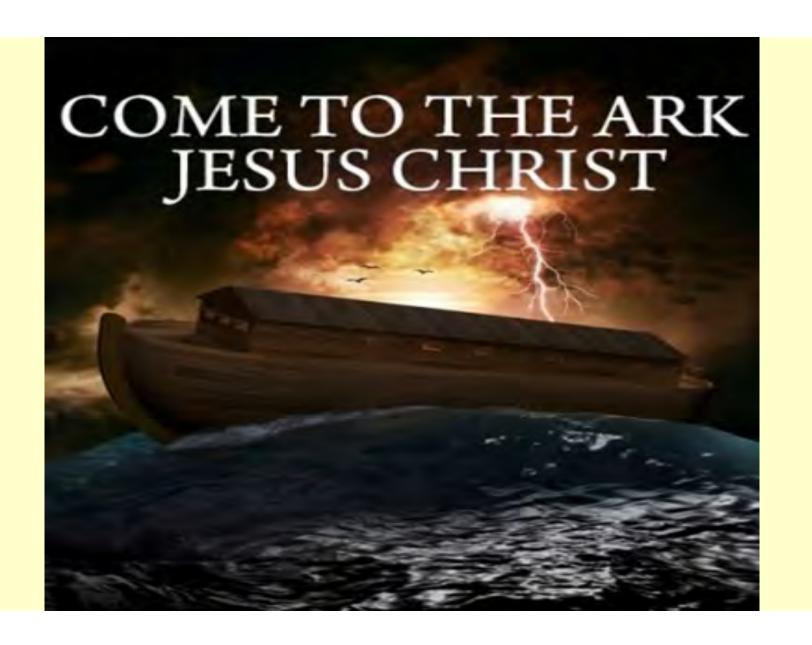
Think about this: Heirs will not experience the wrath of God

Modern day believers are oblivious about the wrath of God (never taught about the wrath)

God does everything He can to keep people from His wrath - John 3: 16-17

Listen to the heart of God as He pleads with His people to turn and live - **Ezekiel 18: 23**

In Noah's day, only those in the ark were safe



Eight went into the ark and <u>God shut</u> the door; they were safe in the arms of God - <u>Genesis 7: 16</u>



The Jewish nation, steeped in idolatry, experienced the wrath of God

- 10 Northern tribes went into Assyrian captivity in 722 BC
- 2 Southern tribes, Judah and Benjamin, went into captivity in 586 BC

God warned repeatedly by sending prophet after prophet but was <u>IGNORED!</u>

People chose to hear the false and lying prophets, telling them what they wanted to hear

This condition of the nation was much like we see in America today - <u>Isaiah 5: 20-21</u>

WING FOR AMERICA

TURN AND LIVE!!

God has struck America with

Blindness - Madness - and - Confusion of Heart

Deuteronomy 28: 28

Isaiah's day was devoid of truth!

Today, truth has fallen in the streets of America **Isaiah** 59: 14-15

So many think they are okay with God - they are not! There are false converts galore!

There is a time when God will shut the door to salvation - no more chances! Luke 13: 22-25

Your only hope is to get into the safety of Jesus and close the door behind you – <u>Isaiah 26: 20-21</u>

This speaks of the Rapture - come in and close the door - prior to the indignation/wrath of the Lamb

HEIRS will not experience the wrath of God!

HEIRS have hope!!

There is a day coming soon when the trump of God will sound!!

You will hear it, and in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye, you will be raised and changed!!

1 Corinthians 15: 52

WHAT A DAY IT WILL BE!!

ENTER INTO YOUR CHAMBER & SHUT THE DOOR!

YOU ARE AN HEIR! &
HEIRS HAVE HOPE!!!