ALL SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 1:3-7

Introduction:
1. The Christian life is not the easiest life, but it is the greatest life one can live.
2. All spiritual blessings are only found in Christ.
3. In this lesson we will examine three of these blessing found only in Christ...

I. SALVATION OF OUR SOULS
   A. ONLY IN JESUS
      1. E.g. - Noah and the ark
      2. Salvation is in no other - Jn 14:6; Ac 4:12; 1Ti 2:5
   B. KNOW THE WAY INTO CHRIST
      1. Through faith and submission to His will
      2. Through baptism - Ga 3:27; Ro 6:3, 4

II. STRENGTH FOUND IN CHRIST
   A. EVERYONE HAS A NEED FOR STRENGTH
      1. We face an uncertain future (i.e. personal and political)
      2. We know God is in control - Mt 28:18
         a. His church will not be stopped - Ac 5:17-ff
         b. His servants suffer, but He is still there - Ac 7:56; 9:15, 16; 18:9, 10
   B. CHRIST IS OUR STRENGTH
      1. Strength in His word
         a. We content for the faith through His word - Jude 3
         b. We plant the seed which is His word - Lk 8:11; 1Co 3:6, 7
      2. Strength in prayer
         a. Jesus often prayer - Mk 1:35
         b. We cast our cares on God - 1Pe 5:7
         c. We pray without losing heart - Lk 18:1

III. PEACE AND COMFORT FOUND IN CHRIST
   A. ONLY IN JESUS
      1. He offers a peace that the world can never give - Jn 14:27
      2. His peace is beyond understanding - Ph 4:6, 7
   B. HIS PEACE DOES NOT LEAVE US
      1. In times of great distress - 2 Co 1:3, 4; 8-11
      2. The apostle Paul had peace and was determined to magnify Christ by life or death - Ph 1:20, 21

Conclusion:
1. We are steadfast in Christ because of His great love and salvation that He offers
2. When one has put their faith, trust, and obedience in Christ, they have great blessings the world can never know!