

“The Riches of the Glory”

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Paul told the Colossian church that God desired to make known to them *“what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory”* (Col. 1:27).

God’s riches toward us most certainly includes:

- **Redemption**, *“according to the riches of His grace”* (Eph. 1:7)
- **Eternal life**, *“the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints”* (Eph. 1:18)
- **God’s kindness**, *“in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus”* (Eph. 2:7)
- **Spiritual strength**. *“That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man”* (Eph. 3:16).
- **All spiritual needs**. *“And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus”* (Phil. 4:19).

I don’t think many Christians today understand the depth of the spiritual riches in Christ Jesus. Not only are these blessings inexhaustible, but they are – to some degree – unfathomable. We would have to comprehend the eternal to better appreciate what God is trying to tell us.

Furthermore, look at the *“riches”* of God and consider – no mention of mansions, bank accounts, retirement plans, endless automobiles, vacations, etc. – things we would count as *“riches”*! God is spirit and is impressed with the invisible, but true, riches of heaven. It is our challenge to be impressed with the same. Can you do it? Just go back over the five things mentioned by Paul in his letters to the Ephesians, Philippians, and Colossians – and **consider** them for a time.

“Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!” (Romans 11:33)

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