He Gives believers the Right to Become Children of God

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"He (Jesus) was the <u>True Light</u>, who enlightens every man who comes into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. <u>He came unto His own</u>, and His own did not received Him. But as many as do received Him (Jesus), <u>to them He gave the right (or privilege) to become the children of God</u>, even to those <u>who believe on His Name</u>; who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, <u>but of God</u>." (John 1:9-12-13)

To Them: from the Greek word <u>autois</u> which means: <u>to-them</u>; refers to people who receive and believe in Jesus.

He Gave: from the Greek word <u>edoken</u> a verb which means: <u>he-gave</u>; in context: refers to Jesus as being the who gives to believers the right to become God the Father's children.

Right: from the Greek word <u>exousian</u> a noun which means: authority, privilege, <u>right</u>, ability; (from <u>ek</u> meaning <u>out from</u>, and <u>eimi</u> meaning <u>to be</u>, In context the meaning is: <u>being</u> given the <u>authoritative granted right or privilege</u>, as from Christ Jesus, to become <u>children</u> of the Living God of all creation.

To Become: from the Greek word <u>genesthai</u> which means: to-become; to-be; to come to pass; in context: when a person receives and believes on His Name, the name of Jesus, then they receive the right and privilege <u>to become</u> the Children of God the Father.

Children: from the Greek word <u>tekna</u> which means: <u>children</u>; in context: anyone, in faith, willingly living in full dependence, submission, upon God <u>the Father</u> and His Son Jesus the Christ-Messiah.

God: from the Greek word <u>Theou</u> which means: God, the Father, the Supreme Being who owns and sustains all things that He has Created through Christ Jesus.

What keeps people from being children of God is sin; as it says:

"Now we know that whatever things the law says, it says to those who are under the law; so that every mouth may be closed (i.e. silenced), and <u>all</u> the world may become <u>guilty before</u> <u>God</u>. Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall be no flesh (people) justified in His (the Father's) sight; <u>for by the law is the knowledge of sin</u>. But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; even the righteousness of God <u>which is by faith of Jesus Christ</u> unto all and upon <u>all those who believe</u>; for there is no difference; <u>for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God</u>. Being justified freely by <u>His grace</u> through <u>the redemption that is in Christ Jesus</u>; whom God has set forth to be <u>a Propitiation through faith in His blood (i.e. through His sacrificial death on the Cross)</u>, to declare His righteousness <u>for the remission of sins</u> that are past, through the forbearance of God." (Romans 3:19-23-25)

"But the scripture has confined <u>all under sin</u>, so that **the promise** by faith of Jesus Christ **might** <u>be given</u> to those who believe. But before faith came, we were kept under the law, kept for the faith which should afterwards be revealed. Therefore, the law was our tutor to bring us unto Christ, so that we might be justified by faith. But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. For **you are all** <u>the children of God</u> through faith <u>in</u> Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female; for **you** <u>are all</u> one <u>in</u> Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." (Galatians 3:22-29)

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This fact, that Jesus Gives believers the Right to Become Children of God, was prophetically foretold by God through His prophets; which was later quoted by the apostle Paul as prophetic proof. Please consider the following:

"What if God, willing to show His wrath, and to make His power known, (instead) endured with much patience the vessels (people) of wrath prepared for destruction; and that he might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels (people) of mercy, which He had beforehand prepared unto glory, **even us**, whom He has called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles? As He said also in Hosea, 'I will <u>call them **My people**, who were not My people;</u> and her beloved, who was not beloved.' 'And it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, 'You are not My people;' there <u>they</u> shall be called <u>the children of the</u> <u>living God</u>.' " (Romans 9:22-26) (quotes are from <u>Hosea 2:23</u> and <u>Hosea 1:10</u>)

"And what agreement has the Temple of God with idols? For <u>you are the Temple of the living God</u>; as God has said, '*I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.*' 'Therefore come out from among them, and be you separate, says the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing.' And I will receive you; and <u>I will be a Father unto you</u>, and you shall be "*My sons and daughters*,' says the Lord Almighty."

(2 Corinthians 6:16-18) (quotes are from Leviticus 26:12, Isaiah 52:11, and Isaiah 43:6)

Since Jesus has given believers the right to be the children of God, those who have believed can now approach God as their loving Father in Heaven! And they also receive many blessings from God their Father! Please consider the following:

"But when the fulness of the time had come, God sent forth His <u>Son</u> (Jesus), having been <u>born</u> of a woman (Mary), having been born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive the adoption of sons (children). And because you are <u>sons</u> (children), God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, <u>Abba, Father!</u> Therefore, you are no longer a servant, <u>but a son</u>; and if a son, then <u>an heir of God</u> through Christ." (Galatians 4:4-7)

"Blessed be the **God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ; according as He has chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love; having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, wherein He has made us accepted in the Beloved (in Jesus); in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace; " (Ephesians 1:3-7)

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons (children) of God. For you have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but you have received the Spirit of Adoption, by which we cry, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God. And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, so that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creation waits for the manifestation of the sons (children) of God. For the creation was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of Him who has subjected the same in hope, because the creation itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God." (Romans 8:14-21)

"You are of God, little children, and have overcome them (false prophets), because greater is He who is in you, than he who is in the world." (I John 4:4)

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"Little children, let no man deceive you; he who practices righteousness is righteous, even as He is righteous. He who commits sin is of the devil; for the devil sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the **Son of God** was manifested, so that He might destroy the works of the devil. Whoever is born of God does not commit sin; for **His** seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, **because he is born of God**. **In this the children of God are manifest**. And the children of the devil: whoever practices not righteousness, is not of God, nor is he who does not love his brother. (I John 3:7-10)

All believers in Jesus share in common the same Father in Heaven. He is 'our' Father. Jesus is also the Son of our Father! Thus believers are also the 'brethren' of Christ Jesus; as it says:

"But we see Jesus, who was <u>made a little lower than the angels</u> for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; so that He by the Grace of God (the Father) <u>should taste death</u> for every <u>man</u> (every <u>person</u>). For it became Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in <u>bringing many sons</u> (children) unto glory, to make the <u>Author of their Salvation (Jesus)</u> perfect through sufferings. For both He who sanctifies (Jesus) and those (believers) who are sanctified are all of One (the Father); for which cause He (Jesus) is not ashamed to call them brethren, 'Saying, 'I will declare your Name <u>unto My brethren</u>, in the midst of <u>the church</u> (the body of believers) will I sing praise unto You (to the Father)." (<u>Hebrews 2:9-12</u>)

Please now consider he following exhortations to the children of God:

"Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which you have been taught, whether through word, or our letter. Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God, even our Father, who has loved us, and has given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and establish you in every good word and work." (2 Thessalonians 2:15-16)

"Now may God Himself <u>and our Father</u>, and our Lord Jesus Christ, direct our way unto you. And may the Lord make you to increase and abound in love for one another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you; to the end that He may establish your hearts unblameable in holiness **before God, even <u>our Father</u>**, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints." (I Thessalonians 3:11-13)

"Therefore, <u>be you followers **of God**</u>, <u>as dear children</u>; and <u>walk in love</u>, as <u>Christ also has</u> <u>loved us</u>, and has <u>given Himself</u> <u>for us</u> <u>as an offering and a sacrifice to God</u>." (<u>Ephesians 5:1-2</u>)

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For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God!
But Through Jesus many children are brought unto the Father's glory!!
And into the glorious liberty of the children of God!

Our Father asks His children to walk in love just as Christ Jesus has loved us!

Thank You Jesus for giving us the privilege of becoming Children of God !!

Thank You Abba Father for blessing us with all spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus !!

Thank You Father for the redemption, and remission of sins, that is in Your Son Jesus !!

Please Lord continue to establish our hearts unblameable in holiness before You !!

Always and Always - Amen