#### October 27-31, 2024

### "Unsearchable Riches of Christ"

"To me, though I am the very least of all saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things. Ephesians 3:8-9 (ESV)

### **Devotional Thought & Prayer**

The word unsearchable is translated as something that cannot be fully comprehended or explored. This means that there is no limit to the riches of Christ; they are beyond finding out. What are some of Jesus riches that were provided to us? Redemption through His blood, forgiveness of sin, teaching of the gospel, and sealing of the Holy Spirit. These are spiritual riches which benefits us eternally. In Ephesians 3:8, Paul demonstrates humility as he refers to himself as less than and the least of all the Lord's people. However, Paul lifted Jesus as the greatest of all. Christ riches are not material but spiritual. King Solomon had great wealth and wisdom and his riches were an example of temporal treasures of the world. Jesus is greater than Solomon and the riches of Christ are impossible to be used up because they are unsearchable, and they are forever.

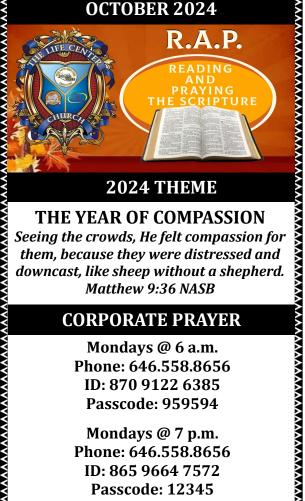
Prayer: Father, I thank You that I am part of the Body of Christ and I am living by the grace of God. Help me to live by faith and not by sight. I pray that I will continue to be a willing worker, a faithful servant, and obedient to Your Word. Amen

## **OCTOBER** DAILY READING PLAN

- ☐ 1. Psalm 95 ☐ 2. Psalm 96
- ☐ 3. Psalm 97
- ☐ 4. Psalm 98
- ☐ 5. Psalm 99
- ☐ 6. Psalm 100
- ☐ 7. Psalm 101
- □ 8. Psalm 102
- ☐ 9. Psalm 103
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- ☐ 17. Psalm 111
- ☐ 18. Psalm 112
- ☐ 19. Psalm 113
- ☐ 20. Psalm 114
- ☐ 21. Psalm 115
- ☐ 22. Psalm 116
- □ 23. Psalm 117
- ☐ 24. Psalm 118
- □ 25. Psalm 119:1-24
- □ 26. Psalm 119:25-48
- □ 27. Psalm 119:49-72
- □ 28. Psalm 119:73-96
- □ 29. Psalm 119:97-120
- □ 30. Psalm 119:121-152
- □ 31. Psalm 119:153-176

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### **2024 THEME**

### THE YEAR OF COMPASSION

Seeing the crowds, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and downcast, like sheep without a shepherd. Matthew 9:36 NASB

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"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace."

Ephesians 1:7 (ESV)

### **Devotional Thought & Prayer**

The word redeem means "to buy out." The term was used specifically in reference to the purchase of a slave's freedom. In the New Testament, the primary idea in redemption is deliverance from bondage, specifically the bondage of sin. Jesus paid the price to free us from the bondage of sin. "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45 (ESV) Jesus' redemption freed us from guilt, being justified freely by His grace. Jesus' death was in exchange for our life. Redemption is the work of Christ on our behalf, which He purchased and ransoms us, at the price of His own life. This secured our deliverance from bondage and condemnation of sin. We were slaves to sin, condemned to eternal separation from God. Jesus paid the price to redeem us, resulting in our freedom from slavery to sin and our rescue from eternal consequences of that sin.

**Prayer:** Father, I thank You for Jesus. I am thankful because in Him, I am forgiven and redeemed, through His blood. Thank You for extending the riches of Your grace toward me, simply because I believed in Jesus Christ as my Redeemer. Amen

"Christ Our Peace"
"For he himself is our peace, who has made
us both one and has broken down in his
flesh the dividing wall of hostility."
Ephesians 2:14 (ESV)

### **Devotional Thought & Prayer**

In the Old Testament, Isaiah prophesied about the coming of the Messiah. "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wounder Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince Peace." Isaiah 9:6 (ESV) As a result of Jesus sacrificing His life, we were restored to a relationship of peace with God. "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord, Jesus Christ." Romans 5:1 (ESV) This is the deep, abiding peace between our hearts and our Creator that cannot be taken away and the ultimate fulfillment of Christ's work as the "Prince of Peace." In Ephesians 2:14, this scripture teaches how our saving faith in Christ changed our spiritual status. Jesus does not just give peace, but He is our peace! Because of Jesus we have the peace of God, which transcends all understanding. Jesus brought peace on earth and influenced His followers to continue carrying out the mission of the Kingdom of God. We have this peace but we will be faced with trials and tribulations in life. "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome *the world.*" John 16:33 (ESV)

**Prayer:** Father, thank You for the access I have to You. Help me to believe the message of peace and to enter into the joy and peace of life with You. Amen

"So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you a fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone.

Ephesians 2:19-20 (ESV)

### **Devotional Thought & Prayer**

A cornerstone is a stone at the corner of two walls that provides strength and stability for the rest of the building. Jesus is the cornerstone because He is the foundation of our faith and the standard by which we should follow to live a Godly lifestyle. God considers Jesus as the Chief Cornerstone for His plan of redemption. The cornerstone metaphor is used in the Old and New Testament. The book of Isaiah refers to Jesus (Messiah) as the "cornerstone." (Isaiah 28:16-17) The Apostle Paul uses the metaphor in the New Testament. In Ephesians, Apostle Paul is teaching that Christ is the chief cornerstone and foundation of the members of the church of Christ. He is the one that joins the entire building of the church to become a Holy temple. He emphasizes how the people who believe in Christ are now part of the Christian citizenship that Christ, as a cornerstone, leads. The Apostle Paul spoke to the Ephesians, but it is also important that we live a godly lifestyle.

**Prayer:** Father, I thank You for being a gracious and generous God. I pray that You will help me to devote myself to You and to live only in ways that will please You. Amen