

SONS UNTO GLORY

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Text: Hebrews 2:10-14 "For it became **him** (God the Father), for whom *are* all things, and by whom *are* all things, in bringing many **sons** unto glory, to make the captain of **their** salvation perfect through sufferings. 11. For both he that **sanctifieth** and they who are **sanctified** *are* all of **one**: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them **brethren**, 12. Saying, I will declare thy name unto my **brethren**, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee. 13. And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the **children** which God hath given me. 14. Forasmuch then as the **children** are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;"

This passage of scripture brings into focus one of the purposes of the Father as concerning those in the family who will be placed into a position of a son at the Judgment Seat of Christ. Salvation does not make one a son of God. The sons of God have not been revealed according to Romans 8:19 "For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God." The sons of God will be revealed at the Judgment Seat of Christ. Today we can behave ourselves as a son of God as Jesus Christ behaved himself, and when we have finished our course as an overcomer, then we will be placed in a position of a son. As a son we will rule and reign with Christ in the kingdom of the heavens.

SONS

Hebrews 2:10 "For it became him, for whom *are* all things, and by whom *are* all things, in bringing **many sons** unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings."

In Hebrews 2:10-14 we see that "it became Him" to bring many sons into glory. The personal pronoun 'Him' is a reference to God, in verse 4, and as the Father in Hebrews 1:5 ". . . I will be to him a **Father**, and he shall be to me a Son?" It was God the Father that made the Lord Jesus Christ the author of that salvation, of verse 3, provided for the sons of God. This salvation is the so great salvation of Hebrews 2:3 "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*;" -a reference to the kingdom of the heavens. This salvation is the salvation that will be inherited by the sons of God in Hebrews 1:14 "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?" along with Revelation 21:7 "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son."

Jesus Christ is the captain of this salvation and the word 'captain' is also translated 'author' in Hebrews 12:2 "Looking unto Jesus the **author** and finisher of *our faith*; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is **set down at the right hand of the throne of God**." Jesus Christ entered into this so great salvation himself when he set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

The sons of God are defined as those who are sanctified or set apart. They are referred to as brethren as well as children in Hebrews 2:11 "For both he that sanctifieth and they who are **sanctified** *are* all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them **brethren**," and Hebrews 2:13 "And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the **children** which God hath given me."

By examining the Sons of God and their character, it will help us to learn how to behave and

conduct our selves as a Son.

First, sons of God are overcomers.

SONS ARE OVERCOMERS

Revelation 21:7 "He that **overcometh** shall **inherit** all things; and I will be his God, and **he shall be my son.**"

The word overcomer is also translated as 'conquer, to prevail, to get the victory.' These who overcome will enter into their inheritance as sons. God will not be ashamed to be called their God. He will honor them by placing them into the positions of sovereignty.

SONS ARE LED BY THE SPIRIT

Romans 8:14-15 "For as many as are led by the **Spirit** (sonship) of God, **they are the sons of God.** 15. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the **Spirit of adoption** (sonship), whereby we cry, Abba, Father."

Sons of God are led by the spirit of a son. There is no definite article 'the' before the word 'spirit', therefore I do not believe this is a reference to the Holy Spirit even though the word 'spirit' is capitalized. The capitalizing of the word 'spirit' is interpretation and not translation. The spirit in this verse is defined in verse 15. The word adoption is a compound Greek word which has the words 'son' and 'to place' in it. The "spirit of adoption" is really the spirit of anticipation of becoming a son. It is not the spirit of fear, but a spirit of submission, which is one of the characteristic of being a son. Behaving as a son we will pray, as Jesus did in Gethsemane saying, "Abba, Father, all things *are* possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt." Mark 14:36 We are to be led by the spirit of the Lord in John 4:34 "Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work."

SONS ARE PEACEMAKERS

Matthew 5:9 "Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the **children** [sons] of God."

Peace makers will be called the sons of God. I am not persuaded that the peace makers are those who settle arguments though they may do this. Because the Sermon on the Mount deals with entrance into the kingdom, the ministry of the peacemaker is that of preparing disciples to enter the kingdom of heaven. From the following verse we can see that peace is to be associated with the coming Kingdom. Romans 14:17 "For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and **peace**, and joy in the Holy Ghost." The peace maker is one who preaches the gospel of peace as found in Romans 10:15 ". . . How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the **gospel of peace**, and bring glad tidings of **good things!**" The 'good things' are a reference to the good things that will be in the coming kingdom of heaven. The Hebrews 9:11 "But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, . . ."

SONS LOVE AND DO GOOD

Matthew 5:44-45 "But I say unto you, **Love** your enemies, bless them that curse you, **do good** to them that hate you, and **pray** for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; 45. That ye may be the **children** [sons] of your Father which is in heaven: . . ."

If we expect to be sons of our Father in heaven we must be able to endure persecution and being despitefully used. Our response to this treatment from our enemies must be that of love. We are to bless our enemies and not curse them. We are to do good things for them, and pray for them who would use you. The will of the Lord is found in Romans 12:19-20 "Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance *is* mine; I

will repay, saith the Lord. 20. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head."

SONS ARE BRETHREN

Hebrews 2:11-12 "For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified *are* all of one: for which cause **he is not ashamed** to call them **brethren**, 12. Saying, I will declare thy name unto my **brethren**, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee."

The Sons of God are referred to as brethren. Who are brethren and what are their priorities? Their behavior is such that the Lord is not ashamed of them. We will see that in the following verses.

THEY DO THE FATHER'S WILL

Matthew 12:50 "For whosoever shall **do the will** of my **Father** which is in heaven, the same is **my brother**, and sister, and mother."

Brethren are those who have a desire to do the will of the Father. Jesus had that testimony in John 4:34 "Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to **do the will** of him (the Father) that sent me, and **to finish** his work." Brethren are those who do not resist the will of God in their lives. They have a willing heart of obedience to allow God to work on their will to do of his good pleasure as found in Philippians 2:13 "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of *his* good pleasure." A brother is one who desires to enter into the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 7:21 "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall **enter** into the kingdom of heaven; but he that **doeth the will** of my **Father** which is in heaven."

THEY ARE CALLED AND CHOSEN

2 Peter 1:10-11 "Wherefore the rather, **brethren**, give diligence to make your **calling** and **election** sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: 11. For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

Brethren are those who have been **called**. This calling is unto His kingdom and glory according to 1 Thessalonians 2:12 "That ye would **walk worthy** of God, who hath called you unto his **kingdom and glory**." Brethren are elect, or those who have been chosen as in Ephesians 1:4-5 "According as he hath **chosen** us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: 5. **Having predestinated** us unto the **adoption** of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the **good pleasure** of his will," The phrase 'adoption of children' is from one Greek word that should be translated "to place as a son". We are to be diligent to make our calling and election sure just as we are in 2 Peter 1:5-7 to give ". . . all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; 6. And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; 7. And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity."

If we do not fall as the children of Israel did, we will have an abundant entrance into the millennial kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

THEY HEAR THE WORD

Luke 8:21 "And he answered and said unto them, My mother and my **brethren** are these which **hear the word** of God, and **do it**."

Brethren are those who hear and learn the word of God so they can live by it. I like what Cornelius said to Peter in Acts 10:33 "Immediately therefore I sent to thee; and thou hast well done that thou art come. Now therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God." Cornelius wanted Peter to tell him what God required of him

so that he could do it. Why learn the will of the Father if you are not going to do it. There are consequences for not obeying as found in Luke 12:47 "And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes."

SONS ARE SANCTIFIED

Hebrews 2:11 "For both he that **sanctifieth** and they who are **sanctified are all of one**: for which cause **he is not ashamed** to call them brethren"

The Sons of God are set apart just as the Lord Jesus Christ is set apart. To be set apart as the Lord is to be one with him.

SONS ARE SEPARATED

2 Corinthians 6:17-18 "Wherefore come out from among them, and **be ye separate**, saith the Lord, and touch not the **unclean thing**; and I will receive you, *18*. And will be a Father unto you, and **ye shall be my sons** and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

If we will separate our selves from the works of darkness and not become defiled with the things of the world, the Father promises us that we will be His sons and daughters. We can not come out of the world but we do not have to become part of the world nor let the world control us.

SET APART THROUGH THE TRUTH

John 17:19 "And for their sakes I **sanctify myself**, that **they also might be sanctified through the truth**."

Sanctification is not a sure thing. That is why the word 'might' is found in this verse. If we continue in the truth we can be sanctified, but if we depart from the truth, then we can become defiled. Sanctification is not a one time event but an on going process. Circumstances change that influence our lives, so we are constantly having to evaluate the choices we make. It is through the Word of God that the Lord can stir our hearts as to the choices he wants us to make and the things he wants us to do.

THE SANCTIFIED BELIEVE

John 17:20 "Neither pray I for these alone, but for **them also** which shall **believe** [present active] on me **through their word**;"

The sons of God are those who believe in the present tense. In the context of sanctification of his disciples, the Lord prays for those who will believe in the present tense when they read and believe what his disciples and apostles wrote. It is through the truth, which these men will write, that we can learn how to separate ourselves unto the Lord. The tense of the present participle believe also indicates that sanctification is not guaranteed. We must be faithful in our trust in His word that it will give the guidance we need to stand approved in his presence.

THE SANCTIFIED ARE ONE

John 17:21 "**That they all may be one**; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that **they also may be one** in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."

Jesus prayed that all of these and those who will believe because of what they will write, will be one. This purpose was expressed in Hebrews 2:11 "**For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one**." In verse 19 we see that Jesus Christ sanctified himself in order that his disciple might be sanctified. When we choose to separate ourselves from those things that would defile us and cause us to stop being faithful, then we are identifying ourselves as being one with Christ. By being one with the Lord, we are agreeing with him and His desire to do the Father's will. Notice the word 'may' in this verse. This indicates to me that there is a

possibility that we will not be at one with Him therefore we need to be on guard against the possibility of becoming at odds with him.

THE SANCTIFIED RECEIVE GLORY

John 17:22 "And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; **that they may be one, even as we are one:**"

Part of being at one with the Lord is receiving the glory that was given to the disciples in John 17. The Father had given glory to the Son and the Son gave this glory to the disciples.

What is the significance of the glory that was given to the disciples? What was the glory that was given to them? In the context of John 17:22 the glory is to be associated with the truth. Jesus taught them the truth and in the truth was the glory that the Father had given him. In John 8:28 "Then said Jesus unto them, . . . I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath **taught** me, **I speak** these things." Jesus gave them the glory that was given to Him by the Father.

What is the significance of the glory given to the disciples? What follows is food for thought.

We can see that the glory can, in type, be associated with milk and honey from Ezekiel 20:6 ". . . a **land** that I had espied for them, **flowing with milk and honey**, which *is* the **glory** of all lands:" If the land is flowing with milk, there will be much butter in the land as well. It is by the churning of milk that we get butter. Proverbs 30:33 "Surely the **churning** of **milk** bringeth forth **butter**. . ." It is by the churning of the milk of the Word we get the butter or solid food. In Hebrews 5:14 "But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, *even* those who by reason of **use** have their senses **exercised** to discern both good and evil." We have a reference to the butter that will help us to chose the good and eschew the evil. It was through butter and honey that the Lord was able to separate himself from evil and chose the good as found in Isaiah 7:15 "Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good." The significance of the honey is that of having the eyes enlighten to be able to apply the Word in our life. Jonathan's eyes were enlightened in 1 Samuel 14:29 ". . . see, I pray you, how mine eyes have been enlightened, because I tasted a little of this **honey**." Jesus Christ gave his disciples butter and honey, which is the glory, that they may be one with Him.

SONS WILL NOT BE ASHAMED

Hebrews 2:11 "For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified *are* all of one: for which cause he is **not ashamed to call them brethren**,"

Another characteristic of a son is that of behaving himself in a way that will not cause him shame. If we do not chose the good and refuse the evil we will be ashamed at the Judgment Seat of Christ. Keeping ourselves separated from evil is essential if we want to stand approved.

GOD WILL NOT BE ASHAMED

Hebrews 11:16 "But now they desire a better *country*, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is **not ashamed** to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city."

Those who lived by faith, therefore pleasing God, desired something better for themselves. They did not waiver in believing the promises given them by the Lord in Hebrews 11:13 "These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but **having seen** them afar off, and **were persuaded of them**, and **embraced them**, and **confessed** that they **were strangers** and **pilgrims** on the earth." These that embraced the promises lived them out in their lives by looking for a heavenly city whose builder and maker was God. It is because of this that God was not ashamed to be called their God. These that lived by faith embracing the thoughts of a better inheritance in the heavenly city were living like a son of God.

NOT ASHAMED OF ME

Mark 8:38 "Whosoever therefore shall be **ashamed** of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be **ashamed**, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

This passage in Mark shows the contrast of confessing the promises and denying the one who made them. Mark 8:38 warns us that being ashamed of the Lord and His word will cause the Son of man to be ashamed of us. To be ashamed of the Lord and his Word will bring undesired consequences. We need to be bold in our commitment to the Lord and His word in this age.

NOT BE ASHAMED

Romans 10:11 "For the scripture saith, Whosoever **believeth** [present active] on him **shall not be ashamed.**"

Believing in the present tense, being persuaded that what he has promised he will deliver, is essential if we do not want to be ashamed. If we waver in this commitment we may be ashamed.

THOSE WHO ABIDE

1 John 2:28 "And now, little children, abide [present active imperative, dwell, continue, endureth] in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be **ashamed** before him at his coming."

Part of believing is that of abiding in him. 1 John 2:6 "He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked." This verse gives us some idea what it mean to abide. To abide in Him is to walk, even as he walked. Another characteristic of abiding in Him is found in 1 John 3:6 "Whosoever abideth in him sinneth [present active] not: . . ." This is not sinless perfection, but the ones believing will not practice sin. This is the same as the willful sin of verse 4.

THEY WATCH

Revelation 16:15 "Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed *is* he that **watcheth**, and **keepeth** [hold fast] his garments, lest he walk **naked**, and they see his **shame.**"

Nakedness is to be associated with shame. Our nakedness should be covered with our garments. If we are not watching and guarding our garments we will lose them and become naked. Watching for the Lord soon return raises the awareness of our accountability to him, this a greater incentive to live a life pleasing to Him.

The bride's garments are the righteous acts of the saints in Revelation 19:8 "And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints." For her to obtain this fine linen, she had to buy it according to Revelation 3:18 "I counsel thee to **buy of me** gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and **white raiment**, that thou mayest be clothed, and *that* the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eye salve, that thou mayest see." If we lose our garments the shame of our nakedness will appear. It is our responsibility to keep those things that we have obtained to receive a full reward. 2 John 1:8 "Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward."

SONS ARE LITTLE CHILDREN

Hebrews 2:13-14 "And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the **children** [παῖδες] which **God hath given me**. 14. Forasmuch then as the **children** [παῖδες] are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same.."

The sons of God are characterized as little children. These little children are those whom the Father gave unto the Son. The word child in verses 13 and 14 could be translated "little children". These little children are those who will enter into the kingdom of heaven in Matthew 18:3-4. These little children are those that the Father has given him and they will have age-lasting life according to John 17:2-3.

THEY ENTER THE KINGDOM

Matthew 18:3-4 "And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as **little children** [παιδιον], ye shall not **enter** into the **kingdom** of **heaven**. 4. Whosoever therefore shall **humble himself** as this **little child** [παιδιον], the same is greatest in the **kingdom of heaven**."

The Greek word for 'little children' is the same word for child in Hebrews 2:14-14. These little children are those who will enter into the kingdom of heaven and in fact the Lord says they will be great in the kingdom of heaven. Being converted in verse 3 is not being saved, but is explained as humbling themselves in verse 4.

THEY KNOW THE FATHER

1 John 2:13 ". . . I write unto you, **little children**, because **ye have known the Father**."

This passage in 1 John 2:13 further defines little children as those who know the Father. Knowing the Father, it seems to me, to be on an invitation basis. This idea is born out in Luke 10:21-22 "In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight. 22. All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and *he* to whom the Son will reveal *him*." To know the Father, he must be revealed to you by the Son. John 14:6 "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

THEY HAVE LIFE FOR THE AGE

John 17:2-3 "As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give **eternal** [age lasting] **life** to as many as **thou hast given him**. 3. And this is life [age lasting] eternal, that they might know thee the only true God (Father, v.1) and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent."

The little children are given to the Son in Hebrews 2:13 and according to John 17:2-3 they will be given a life of honor and glory in the coming kingdom of Jesus Christ. Life for the millennial age is to be associated with knowing the Father who is being revealed to the little children by the Son. In Luke 10:20 "Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." The Lord tells the babes that they are to rejoice that their names are written in heaven and not in the fact they have power over demons. This also coincides with those in Sardis who's names are still in the book of life. Revelation 3:4-5 "Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. 5. He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels." Whose names are written in the earth? They are the ones who forsake the Lord in Jeremiah 17:13 "O LORD, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, *and* they that depart from me shall be **written** in the **earth**, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters."

SONS UNTO GLORY

Hebrews 2:10 "For it became him, for whom *are* all things, and by whom *are* all things, in bringing many **sons unto glory**, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings."

The sons of God who are referred to as little children, will one day be ushered into glory. The captain of their so great salvation was given glory. 1 Peter 1:21 "Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God." Our hope is that of glory Colossians 1:27 "To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:"

THOU HAST GIVEN ME

John 17:24 "Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast **given me**, be **with me** where I am; that they may **behold my glory**, which thou hast **given me**: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world."

Jesus Christ prayed for those that were given to him by the Father that they might be with him and behold his glory. To be in the presence of the Lord was the desire of James and John. Jesus told them that to be on his right and left in the kingdom would require suffering. Jesus Christ was made perfect through suffering, so will we. Philippians 1:29 "For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to **believe** [present active] on him, but also to **suffer** [present active] for his sake;"

FIRSTBORN AMONG MANY BRETHREN

Romans 8:28-30 "And we know that all things work together for good to them **that love** God, to them who are **the called** according to *his* purpose. 29. For **whom** he did **foreknow**, he also did **predestinate** *to be* conformed to the **image** of his **Son**, that he might be the firstborn among many **brethren**. 30. Moreover **whom** he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified."

In verse 29 it says that "whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate." Who are those that are the "whom"? We find this in verse 28. The "whom" are those that "love God" and those who are "the called". (The called also include the many that are chosen in Matthew 22:14.)

Those who love God are those who are obedient. John 14:15 "If ye love me, keep my commandments." They are those who are rich in faith. James 2:5 "Hearken, my beloved **brethren**, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world **rich in faith**, and **heirs** of the **kingdom** which he hath **promised** to them **that love him**?" Being obedient qualifies you to live by faith. Romans 1:17 "For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith."

The called are the many found in Matthew 22:14 "For **many** are **called**, but few *are* **chosen**." Only many of the saved are called and only a few of the many are chosen or elect. The word "called" is a nominative plural adjective and is only found three times in the New Testament. It is found here, in Romans 1:6. Romans 1:6-7 "Among whom are ye (in Rome) also **the called** [adjective, describing the beloved saints in Rome] of Jesus Christ: 7. To all that be in Rome, **beloved** [plural adjective] of God, **called** [plural adjective] ~~to be~~ **saints** [plural adjective]: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ."; **and in** Revelation 17:14 "These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of **lords**, and King of **kings**: and they that are with him *are* **called** [nominative plural adjective], and **chosen** [elect, nominative plural adjective], and **faithful** [nominative plural adjective]." All of

these adjective are in agreement in number, being plural, with the lords and kings, which are also plural, in this verse.

I believe it is significant that the word "faithful" comes last. You may be called and chosen, but if you are not faithful you will not be with him as a king or a lord. That is the reason we have 2 Peter 1:10-11 "Wherefore the rather, **brethren**, give diligence to make your **calling** and **election sure**: for if ye do these things, ye shall never **fall**: 11. For so an **entrance** shall be ministered unto you **abundantly** into the everlasting [agelasting] **kingdom** of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." Those who fall will not enter into the kingdom of the heavens. Peter is encouraging us to be diligent which is the same thing as being faithful.

The called are those who have ears to hear the gospel of the kingdom of the heavens. Only those who have ears to hear can hear the calling. Those who are called have the potential to be glorified in the coming kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

May the Lord help us to be conformed to the image of His son. Jesus Christ was obedient and faithful and He is our roll model. He as an overcomers sat down at the right hand of His Father to rule and reign as a son. We also will rule and reign with him as sons if we will be conformed to the image of his son in obedience and faithfulness.