

Study 8  
**THE GIFTS OF GOD  
THAT SET US ON THE WAY**

**our spiritual environment:**

(as those who are fallen, but also regenerate & redeemed)

**- the kingdom of the Son**

(the liberating & life-giving realm of Jesus' Lordship)

being baptized, we receive the covenant sign of:

**SALVATION IN CHRIST**

**\* *the unmerited, lavishly-abundant action of God's grace***

enjoying the transforming wonder of the 'new covenant' gifts of:

**FORGIVENESS, CLEANSING & JUSTIFICATION**

receivers of a NEW LIBERTY (to do with the CONSCIENCE)

now able to say: **'my sins are gone & I've been declared to be both "not guilty" & "righteous in the Son"!'**

*# released & purified; & also acquitted & made to be one with Jesus in His moral status as the Righteous One: awesomely 'credited' with His own righteousness in His Father's presence*

**ADOPTION & (immediate) SANCTIFICATION**

receivers of a NEW IDENTITY (to do with PERSONHOOD)

now able to say: **'I am a child of God—a saint (a holy one), forever set apart to the Father & His purpose!'**

*# made to be one with Jesus in His personal status as Beloved Son & Heir, & in His vocational status as Priest, Prophet & King*

receivers of a NEW SECURITY (to do with CIRCUMSTANCES)

now able to say: **'I have a sovereign Father—at work!'**

*# made to be as secure as the Son in His Father's purpose*

**THE HOLY SPIRIT & (progressive) SANCTIFICATION**

receivers of a NEW CAPACITY (to do with PERSONAL FULLNESS)

now able to say: **'the Son is in me!'**

*# our moral, personal & vocational status being wisely lived-out as we participate in the 'dynamic operation' of His righteousness: His pure-hearted, joyous communion with His Father & His love for all others—in His priestly heart, prophetic mind & kingly action*

**THE HOLY HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE & GLORIFICATION**

receivers of a NEW DESTINY (to do with ETERNITY)

now able to say: **'I have a great inheritance to possess!'**

*# eagerly anticipating the blessedness of a visible, uncontested & perfect participation in the Son's glorified humanity, forever!*