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Titus 3:1-8

⁴ But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared,

⁵ he saved us-- not by works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy-through the washing of regeneration and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

⁶ whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

⁷ that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. ⁸ This saying is trustworthy . . .



What are the results of Jesus death in my place?

- 1. Justification: declared righteous
- 2. Eternal Life & spiritual life
- 3. We became Heirs (citizenship, adoption, inheritance)

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Ephesians 2:8-9⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,⁹ not of works, lest anyone should boast.

Romans 4:5⁵ But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness,





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Matthew 19:28

So Jesus said to them, "Assuredly I say to you, that <u>in the regeneration</u>, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.





What are the results of the Holy Spirit's work in me?

4. The Holy Spirit's abundant presence

- 5. Washing of Regeneration: rebirth
- 6. Renewal

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How do you measure God's kindness?

There is nothing more God could have given.
There is nothing more God could have done.
There is nothing more God could have promised.





What is our Response? 1. Confidence: your salvation rests on what God has done. <u>2. Humility: you contributed nothing</u>.

3. Praise



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