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## **“Promises” (12)**

*“... [God.] has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.” (2 Peter 1:4)*

### **Promise of Placement**

**Psalm 68:5-6** – (5) **“Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. (6) God settles the solitary in a home; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.”**

**John 14:1-3** – (1) **“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. (2) In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? (3) And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.”**

### **Placement Now**

**Ephesians 2:4-6** – (4) **“But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, (5) even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved— (6) and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,”**

**Ephesians 2:19-22** – (19) **“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, (20) built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, (21) in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. (22) In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.”**

**1 Corinthians 12:13, 18** – (13) **“For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body...and all were made to drink of one Spirit. (18) But as it is, God arranged (to place as in a passive, horizontal way) the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose.”**

<b>A Place for Everyone; &amp; Everyone in their Place</b>
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## **Placement Ahead**

**1 Thessalonians 4:16-18** – (16) “For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. (17) Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. (18) Therefore encourage one another with these words.”

## **Consider:**

### **The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment**

“Only let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him. This is my rule in all the churches.”  
(1 Corinthians 7:17)

### **Different Assignments/Equal Rewards**

“...For as his share is who goes down into the battle, so shall his share be who stays by the baggage. They shall share alike.’ And he made it a statute and a rule for Israel from that day forward to this day.”  
(1 Samuel 30:24-25)

## **Questions:**

What impacted me the most in this message?

Have I underestimated my value and strategic placement in God’s kingdom? (Esther 4:14; 1 Cor. 15:8; Gal. 1:15)