

Launching Text: John 10:10 The thief cometh not but to kill, to steal and to destroy, but I (Jesus) am come that they might have life and life more abundantly.

Preaching Text: Ps 84:11-12 For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them who walk uprightly. O Lord of Hosts, blessed is the man that trusts in thee

Intro: God so wants mankind to live an abundant, overcoming, satisfied, fulfilled, enjoyable life. He has done and provided everything that mankind needs for this to happen. In this message we will look at 3 tools God has provided that this type of life can be lived out by mankind. **AND REMEMBER ALL OF GOD'S TOOLS OPERATE BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY GHOST THROUGH FAITH.....** Eph 5:18 **BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT....** Zach 4:6 **..NOT BY POWER, NOR BY MIGHT, BUT BY MY SPIRITS, SAITH THE LORD.....** Acts 1:8 **BUT YOU SHALL RECEIVE POWER AFTER THAT THE HOLY GHOST IS COME UPON YOU.....**
Mark 11:22 HAVE FAITH IN GOD!
Romans 1:17THE JUST (JUSTIFIED) SHALL LIVE BY FAITH...

1. THE TOOL OF GOD'S GRACE Ps 84:11 ...the Lord will give grace.. (God gives us what we need—GRACE)
Grace defined—It's what we can not get on our own. It is the favor, love, mercy, goodwill, clemency, pardon, blessing and honor of God, bestowed by God on us.

1. The Tool Of God's Grace Is A Saving Grace

Eph 2:8-9 For by grace are ye saved through faith: and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works lest any man should boast.

2. The Tool Of God's Grace Is An Abounding Grace

Rom 5:20 Moreover the law entered that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.

3. The Tool Of God's Grace Is A Justifying Grace

Rom 3:24-26 Being justified freely by His grace through redemption that is in Christ Jesus; Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God: To declare, I say, at this time His righteousness: that He might be just and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

4. The Tool Of God's Grace Is A Teaching Grace

Titus 2:11-13 For the grace of God that brings salvation hath appeared to all men, Teaching us that denying ungodliness & worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world: Looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

5. The Tool Of God's Grace is An Available Grace

Heb 4:16 Let us therefore (because we have a Great High Priest, the Lord Jesus) come boldly unto the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in the time of need.

6. The Tool Of God's Grace is A Sufficient Grace

2-Cor 12:9-10 (The apostle Paul was being attacked through the messenger of Satan. Paul said 3 times I prayed that it might depart from me,) And He (the Lord) said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my (or our) strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in any infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

2. THE TOOL OF GOD'S GLORY Ps 84:11the Lord will give grace and glory....

Glory defined---it comes from a Hebrew word pronounced (kaw-bo-de) which means weighted down or heaped upon heap great praise, honor, magnificent beauty, and absolute happiness because of God's presence.

Neh 8:10 teaches us, that the joy of the Lord is our strength. God give us His presence so that we might have joy and that joy produces strength for us to have an overcoming life.

1. The Tool of God's Glory Producing Joy Through The Word

John 15:11 (Jesus said) These things (or My Words) have I spoken unto you that My joy might remain in you and that your joy might be full.

Jer 15:16 Thy Word were found and I did eat them: and thy Word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O Lord God of Hosts.

2. The Tool of God's Glory Producing Joy Through The Work

Ps 126:5-6 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goes forth & weeps bearing precious seed shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves (harvest) with him.

3. The Tool of God's Glory Producing Joy Through The Walk

Ps 16:11 Thou will show me the path of life: in thy presence is fullness of joy: at thy right hand are pleasures forevermore.

4. The Tool of God's Glory Producing Joy Through The Worship

Isa 35:10 And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy on their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

5. The Tool of God's Glory Producing Joy Through The Warfare

Luke 10:17 (Jesus had appointed and anointed 70 to go out and minister the gospel—healing the sick, casting out devils, cleansing the lepers, and raising the dead) And the 70 returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

3. THE TOOL OF GOD'S GOOD THINGS Ps 84:11no good thing will He withhold from them who walk uprightly.
2-Cor 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you that ye always having all sufficiency in all things may abound to every good work.
1. The Tool Of The Good Thing of Forgiveness For Our Sinful Failures
1-John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
2. The Tool Of The Good Thing of No Condemnation For Our Condemnation
Rom 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
3. The Tool Of The Good Thing of Power For Our Weakness
Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you.
Luke 10:19 Behold I give you power to tread on the serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy and nothing shall by any means hurt you.
4. The Tool Of The Good Thing of Light For Our Darkness
(wisdom for our ignorance----revelation for our not knowing)
John 8:12 Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.
5. The Tool Of The Good Thing of Comfort For Our Weariness
John 14:18 I will not leave you comfortless, I will come unto you.
6. The Tool Of The Good thing of Joy For Our Sorrow
Is 35:10for those that come to Zion everlasting joy shall be on their heads.
7. The Tool Of The Good Thing of Health For Our Sickness
Ex 15:26I am the God that heals thee.
Isa 53:5 He was wounded for our transgressions: He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him: and by His stripes we are healed.
8. The Tool Of The Good Thing of Wealth for Our Poverty
Duet 8:18 But thou shall remember the Lord thy God: for it is He that gives thee power to get wealth that He may establish His covenant which He swore unto thy fathers as it is this day.
2-Cor 8:9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich.
9. The Tool Of The Good Thing of Provision for Our Lack
Phil 4:19 But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.
10. The Tool Of The Good Thing of Victory for Our Defeat
2-Cor 2:14 Now thanks be unto God which always causes us to triumph in Christ, and makes manifest the savor (or fragrant realization) of His knowledge by us in every place.

CLOSING:

Whatever our problems are, CHRIST AND HIS TOOLS IS OUR ANSWER!

Call upon the Lord and let Him use His tools of Grace, Glory, and Good Things to solve every need & desire.

SUMMATION:

Relinquish what is adorable to you and accept what is adorable to God.

Repent of what is awful to God and accept God's forgiveness and a relationship with Him.

Rejoice in what is available from God and receive it by faith from God right now and live the abundant life.