

"The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him." John 3:35-36 KJV



The Father dotes on the Son and the Son does the Father's will. This harmonious relationship is precisely why we who believe on the Son can possess eternal Life. We are not greater than the Son, but are joint-heirs with Him. *"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together."* With Him we have everything. Without Him we have nothing. His glory and Majesty will be shed upon us and shared with us for eternity, because of His infinite love for us. The Father has given all to the Son, and given the Son for our redemption. *"In whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him: And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily."* We are the Father's gift to His Son. We are a thing most precious to the Godhead, a fathomless mystery! *"What is man, that thou art mindful of him?"* In the great universe of creation we are one of the least. We are ants in the Sahara. The Father gave His only Son, and the Son gave His Life to redeem us. Are we debtors? Could we repay? Never! We cannot repay what we owe. How does one repay someone for eternal life? We are "The Redeemed!" Purchased back to Himself as the love of His heart from the pawnshop of sin where we sold our birthright for a *"mess of pottage! Ye are not your own for ye are bought with a price."* The Son has all that the Father can give, and that includes us. He prayed for us only hours before He ransomed us from death. *"I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine. And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them."* The Son went to the cross willingly. *"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."* He killed death with death!

There is no price that we could bring,
It's only to the Cross we cling,
The praises of His mercy sing,
As we kneel down before our KING. -CGP

Jesus said, *"I and the Father are one."* God's Word says, *"For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, (see John chapter 1) and the Holy Ghost: and these three ARE ONE."* God's Love is not blind, it is infinite and gracious! It is towards sinners who mocked Him and whipped His bleeding back; who plucked His beard from His face while bludgeoning Him with their fists; who drove spikes into His hands and feet then crucified Him! Sinners that deserve to spend eternity in a devil's hell! Sinners that heard Him cry, *"Father! Forgive them! They know not what they do!"* Mutilated and torn by the very hands He loved, He ransomed us with His Life! Believers are the Father's own! We can only say with the songwriter, "Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling." My missionary Dad's life verse speaks volumes:

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me." Galatians 2:20 KJV