

A GLORIOUS, VICTORIOUS CHURCH! "The New Era"

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Ephesians 1 ⁴ And <u>he chose us</u> to be his very own, joining us to himself <u>even before he laid</u> <u>the foundation of the universe</u>! <u>Because of his great love</u>, he ordained us, so that we would be seen as holy in his eyes with an unstained innocence. ^{5–6} For <u>it was always in his perfect</u> <u>plan to adopt us as his delightful children</u>, through our union with Jesus, the Anointed One, so that his tremendous love that cascades over us would <u>glorify his grace</u>—for the same love he <u>has for his Beloved One</u>, Jesus, <u>he has for us</u>. And this <u>unfolding plan</u> brings him great <u>pleasure</u>! TPT

Ephesians 5 ²⁷ <u>All that he does in us is designed</u> to make us a mature church for his pleasure, <u>until we become a source of praise to him</u>—<u>glorious</u> and <u>radiant</u>, beautiful and holy, without fault or flaw. TPT

Glory: *chabod* (kah-vohd); Strong's #3519: Weightiness; that which is substantial or heavy; <u>glory</u>, <u>honor</u>, <u>splendor</u>, <u>power</u>, <u>wealth</u>, <u>authority</u>, <u>magnificence</u>, <u>fame</u>, <u>dignity</u>, <u>riches</u>, and <u>excellency</u>. The root of *chabod* is *chabad*, "to be heavy, glorious, notable," or "to be renowned." In the OT, "heaviness" represented honor and substance, while "lightness" was equated with vanity, instability, temporariness, and emptiness. *Chabod* is God's glory, not only His honor, renown, and majesty, but <u>also His visible splendor</u>, <u>which filled Solomon's temple and will someday fill the Earth</u>.

John 17 ¹ This is what Jesus prayed as he looked up into heaven, "Father, the time has come. <u>Unveil the glorious splendor of your Son so that I will magnify your glory</u>! ⁴ <u>I have glorified</u> you on the earth by faithfully doing everything you've told me to do. ⁵ So my Father, restore <u>me back to the glory</u> that we shared together when we were face-to-face before the universe was created." ¹⁰ For all who belong to me now belong to you. And all who belong to you now belong to me as well, and <u>my glory is revealed through their surrendered lives</u>. ¹⁵ I am not asking that you remove them from the world, but I ask that you guard their hearts from evil, ²⁰ "And I ask not only for these disciples, but also for all those who will one day believe in me through their message. ²² For the very glory you have given to me I have given them so that they will be joined together as one and experience the same unity that we enjoy. ²⁴ "Father, I ask that you <u>allow everyone that you have given to me to be with me where I am</u>! <u>Then they will</u> <u>see my full glory</u>—<u>the very splendor you have placed upon me</u> because you have loved me even before the beginning of time. TPT

Exodus 33 ¹⁸ Moses responded, "Then <u>show me your glorious presence</u>." ¹⁹ The Lord replied, "<u>I will make all my goodness pass before you</u>, and I will call out my name, Yahweh, before you. For I will show mercy to anyone I choose, and I will show compassion to anyone I choose. ²⁰ <u>But you may not look directly at my face</u>, <u>for no one may see me and live</u>." ²¹ The Lord continued, "Look, stand near me on this rock. ²² <u>As my glorious presence passes by</u>, I will hide you in the crevice of the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. NLT **2 Chronicles 5** ¹³ And when the trumpeters and singers were joined in unison, making one sound to be heard in <u>praising and thanking the Lord</u>, and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and other instruments for song and praised the Lord, saying, <u>For He is good</u>, <u>for His mercy and loving-kindness endure forever</u>, <u>then the house of the Lord was filled with a cloud</u>, ¹⁴ <u>So that the priests could not stand to minister</u> because of the cloud, <u>for the glory of the Lord filled the house of God</u>. AMP

Psalm 8 ⁴ *Compared to all this cosmic glory*, why would you bother with puny, mortal man or be infatuated with Adam's sons? ⁵ <u>Yet what *honor* you have given to men</u>, created only a little lower than Elohim, <u>crowned like kings and queens with glory and magnificence</u>. ⁶ You have delegated to them mastery over all you have made, making everything subservient to their authority, <u>placing earth itself under the feet of your image-bearers</u>. TPT

Hebrews 1 ¹³ And God has never said this to any of his angels: "<u>Take your seat next to me</u> at my right hand <u>until I force your whispering enemies to be a rug under your feet</u>." TPT

Hebrews 10 ¹² But when this Priest had offered the one supreme sacrifice for sin for all time he <u>sat down on a throne at the right hand of God</u>, ¹³ <u>waiting until all his whispering enemies</u> <u>are subdued and turn into his footstool</u>. ¹⁴ And by his one perfect sacrifice he made us perfectly holy and complete for all time! TPT

Psalm 50²³ Whoever offers praise glorifies Me... NKJV

1 Samuel 2 ^{30b} But now the Lord says, Be it far from Me. <u>For those who honor Me I will honor</u>, and those who despise Me shall be lightly esteemed. AMP

Proverbs 3 ⁵ Trust in the Lord completely, and do not rely on your own opinions. With all your heart rely on him to guide you, and he will lead you in every decision you make. ⁸ Then you will find the healing refreshment your body and spirit long for. ⁹ <u>*Glorify God* with all your *wealth*</u>, <u>*honoring him* with your <u>very best</u></u>, with every increase that comes to you. ¹⁰ Then every dimension of your life will overflow with blessings from an uncontainable source of inner joy! TPT

Romans 4 ¹⁹ In spite of being nearly one hundred years old when the promise of having a son was made, his faith was so strong that it could not be undermined by <u>the fact</u> that he and Sarah were incapable of conceiving a child. ^{20–21} <u>He never stopped believing God's promise</u>, for he was made strong in his faith *to father a child*. And <u>because he was mighty in faith and convinced that God had all the power needed to fulfill his promises</u>, <u>Abraham glorified</u> <u>God</u>! TPT

Hebrews 11 ¹⁷ Faith operated powerfully in Abraham for <u>when he was put to the test he</u> <u>offered up Isaac</u>. Even though he received God's promises of descendants, <u>he was willing to</u> <u>offer up his only son</u>! ¹⁸ For God had promised, "Through your son Isaac your lineage will carry on your name." ¹⁹ <u>Abraham's faith made it logical to him that God could raise Isaac from</u> <u>the dead</u>, <u>and symbolically</u>, <u>that's exactly what happened</u>. TPT