

Spiritual Prepping for His Glorious Appearing

Maximize Your Provisions Part 1

Lesson Two • Revelation 1:4-5

Spiritual Preppers Maximize their spiritual PROVISIONS until the Big Reveal!

Revelation 1:4-5 give us the typical greeting of a NT letter with a twist:

1) The Writer: "John" (Rev 1:9)

2) The Addressees: "to the seven churches that are in Asia"

The Greeting: "Grace to you and peace"

4) The Senders: "from Him... from...from..."



Ready or Not He Is Coming, So <u>MAXIMIZE</u> Your Spiritual Provisions!

1. Use Your PROVISIONS to the Max! (1:4)

"John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace..."

➤ The **GRACE** of God "Grace to you..."

God's Grace Provides Us with...

1) A position we don't DESERVE. Ephesians 2:8-9

Saving Grace = The undeserved privilege of having your sins totally forgiven AND being born again as a son of God!

2) A power we can't PRODUCE. 2Corinthians 12:9; Philippians 2:12

Saving Grace Is Also Sanctifying Grace = The ability to become and do what God desires AND has already declared us to be.

Use the Grace God Has Provided to the Max

- 1) HUMBLE yourself before God and others. James 4:6, 10
- 2) CLEANSE yourself from sin in action and thought. James 4:8-9
- 3) **SUBMIT** yourself to those over, under, and equal to you. 1Peter 5:5-7, 10

- 4) GIVE yourself to sharing the gospel with those far from God. 2Corinthians 4:13-15 ➤ The **PEACE** of God "Grace to you and peace..." God's Peace Provides Us with... 1) RECONCILIATION with God in spite of our hostility. Romans 5:1 2) CONTENTMENT from God in spite of our circumstances. John 14:27; 16:33 Use the Peace God Has Provided to the Max 1) Grow in the GRACE of God. 2 Peter 3:14-18 Notice: Especially in the areas of moral purity and doctrinal purity. 2) Grow in the KNOWLEDGE of Christ. 2 Peter 3:18; 1:2 NO Christ ➤ No Peace KNOW Christ ➤ Know Peace 3) Grow in the **PRACTICE** of prayer. *Philippians* 4:6-9 Right **PRAYING** (6-7) ➤ Right **THINKING** (8) ➤ Right **LIVING** (9) > The CHURCH of God "John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace..." God's Church Provides Us with... His place to **RECEIVE** His provisions!

Use the Local Church God Has Provided to the Max SHARE His provisions with His people!

Ready or Not He Is Coming!

Are You Maximizing God's Provisions to Be Spiritually Prepared for His Glorious Appearing? ☐ Yes! I will seek to use my spiritual provisions to the fullest!

NEXT WEEK: Know Your PROVIDER to the Max!

...from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth."