"A Church at War: The Believer's Blessings"

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Message Title: "A Church at War: The Believer's Blessings"

I. The <u>Extent</u> of the Believers Blessings (vs 2)

Psalm 23:4-6 "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou *art* with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. ⁵ Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever."

1 Peter 1:2 "Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied."

2 Peter 1:2 "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,"

- II. The <u>Content</u> of the Believer's Blessings (vs 2)
 - a. Believers are Blessed with Mercy

1. God's Mercy is **Predetermined**

Romans 9:23 "And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory,"

- 2. God's Mercy is **Sufficient**
- 3. God's Mercy is Specific

Hebrews 4:16 "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."

Romans 9:23 "And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory,"

- b. Believers are Blessed with **Peace**
- c. Believers are Blessed with Love

Romans 5:8 "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

- 1. Believers are Blessed with a **<u>Divine Love</u>**
- 2. Believers are Blessed with a <u>Never Ending Love</u>
- 3. Believers are Blessed with a **Special Love**
- III. The <u>Willful Application</u> of the Believer's Blessings

A.W. Tozer "So skilled is error at imitating truth, that the two are constantly being mistaken for each another. It takes a sharp eye these days to know which brother is Cain and which is Abel."