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HEIRS AND JOINT HEIRS

In Romans 8:16-17 Paul writes, ***"The Spirit (Holy Spirit) beareth witness with our spirit (natural spirit of man), that we are the children of God: 17 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."***

The word heir in this passage of scripture is *kleronomos* in Greek which means apportionment, a sharer, an inheritor, possessor. In the natural a person writes a Last Will and Testament designating who receives what they leave behind at death. They are the heirs that the testator (one that has their will written) and they receive what was written in the will.

In the spiritual realm this verse tells us that we are joint heirs with Jesus and what is his is also ours. That ought to make you shout! So, just what did he leave us in his "will"? He left us every promise that God made through Abraham and through Jesus.

We are promised eternal life. We are promised victory. We are promised health. We are promised everything that we need to live life to its fullest, here, and now. Yes, we will receive rewards when we leave our earthly bodies, but God wants us to receive his blessing now.

How do we receive these blessings? We receive them by faith. When we study the word of God we see that there are as many as 30,000 promises. That is a lot of promises my friends, and they are yours because you are an heir!