Series: The Theological and Practical Components of Christianity Sermon: The Blessings of Salvation

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	is more about my than it is my		
В.	I must be is a for God revealing		
C.	I must do what I already is God's will for Him to reveal my		
	■ Blessing #2: All Christians are ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■		
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	III. Blessing #3: All Christians are		
A.	Grace and peace is how the Christian life		

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- IV. Blessing #1: All Christians have a PURPOSE.
- D. Knowing my **PURPOSE** begins with **SALVATION**.

God's **PURPOSE** is more about my **CHARACTER** than it is my **CAREER**.

- E. I must be **WILLING** is a **PREREQUISITE** for God revealing my **PURPOSE**.
- F. I must do what I already **KNOW** is God's will for Him to reveal my **PURPOSE**.
 - V. Blessing #2: All Christians are SAINTS.

"saints" ($\tilde{\alpha}\gamma \omega \varsigma$) = Holy, **SET APART**, sanctified, consecrated

Christians are "saints" set apart for God and His service whose lives are to be characterized by **godly behavior**.

- VI. Blessing #3: All Christians at BLESSED
- D. Grace and peace is how the Christian life **COMMENCES**.

Grace = God doing for us what we do not **DESERVE** but desperately **NEED**.

Peace = to cease **ESTRANGEMENT** from a holy God.

- E. Grace and peace is how the Christian life **CONTINUES.**
- F. Grace and peace is how the Christian life **CONCLUDES**.