

BECAUSE OF JESUS – 4

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2 COR. 9:15 NLT

Because of Jesus, we all have much to be thankful for. He's the gift that's beyond words; unspeakable, inexpressible, and indescribable.

Thank You Jesus

1. Our sins are forgiven – **COL. 2:13-14 NLT**. Because He was punished, we are forgiven and our sin debt was paid in full.
2. Our shame is gone – **ROM. 10:11** Shame is an awful thing that has more side effects than the medications advertised on TV: low self-esteem, depression, anxiety, insomnia, social isolation, and can lead to substance abuse, and people pleasing.
3. Our peace with God – **ROM. 5:1**. God is holy, man is sinful and there's been enmity between God and man ever since the Fall. Because of Jesus, we have peace with God, **EPH. 2:13-14 ESV**.
4. Our access to the Throne – **HEB. 10:19-22, 4:14-16**. We have direct access to the Throne 24/7. Jesus is the door, our way to the Throne. In the Old Testament, the New Testament is concealed. In the New Testament, the Old Testament is revealed. Jacob's ladder was a prophetic symbol of our mediator – Jesus Christ.
 - A. Mercy – not giving us what we deserve: **PS. 18:25, MT. 5:7**.
 - B. Grace – Getting what we don't deserve: Divine enablement.
5. Our inheritance - **COL. 1:12-14**. The Father qualified us to share in this inheritance that has four qualities according to **1 PET. 1:4**. It's unperishable – not subject to decay; undefiled – can't spoil; unfading-its intensity will never diminish; reserved – kept in heaven for us. It's the sum total of all God promised us in Christ, **1 COR. 2:9-10**.
6. Our Victory - **1 COR. 15:57, 2 COR. 2:14** Victory is not something we earn, it's a gift given by Christ. **ROM. 8:37** What we conquer, is made possible through Christ.

CONCLUSION: Because of Jesus, our sins are forgiven, our shame is gone, we have peace with God, we have access to the Throne, and we have victory over every enemy. Thank You Jesus and Happy Thanksgiving!

