

A close-up photograph of a dark red granite surface with a rough, cracked texture. The lighting highlights the grain and mineral inclusions of the stone.

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ENDORSEMENTS

From: Jessica Reavis-Christensen, 📱 Look at this post on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/share/9VnfzrK7Yvg5vboN/?mibextid=K35XfP>

I'm a former Recreational Leader of the New Lisbon Correctional Institution and I have to say that I am SO thankful for the 9 months I got to spend in prison. I would have never understood the need for prison reform if it wasn't for my experience.

When I was hired at N.L.C.I., I came in with the understanding that my position was to help rehabilitate the men to become successful citizens of society. I encouraged them to put the work in during their time, so they would have the tools to thrive in their freedom. Well, administration did not like that. The administration was threatened by the joy and empowerment that I brought to Recreation. They didn't like that the men were choosing healthy outlets, they didn't like that the countenance of the general population was lifting, they didn't like that the men were excited to be treated with humanity rather than unimportant scum. My time in prison was cut short because of the administration feeling threatened by the atmosphere I brought to the dark institution. Light is not wanted within those walls and that is something I believe needs to change.

After 40 days of unpaid administrative leave, I was terminated on Friday, December 13th, 2019 for "not passing probationary standards". It didn't matter that all the programming I had added and built upon was changing the atmosphere in the institution for the better. They needed a scapegoat to get rid of me, and "not passing probationary standards" was it. Friday, December 13th was a day of sadness but also a day of resolution. As I drove away from N.L.C.I., no longer employed by the DOC, I made a pivotal decision to write Marshall Jones.

Marshall Jones was one of four inmate workers that assisted me in my Rec Leader position. He led fitness classes, refed all competitive events, assisted setting up Rec events, helped encourage men that came to Recreation, and counseled the men to prepare for their release. Marshall's conduct spoke for itself, and I could see he was a man of his word by the actions displayed. He worked hard in Rec and Marshall worked even harder doing his time by becoming a published author of his first book, "A Raven's Meal". While working with Marshall, I learned he was serving a double life sentence, and I was shocked he would be there for the rest of his life. The reason I was shocked was because Marshall lived more freely within the walls of that prison than any other person I've met in my life. How is that possible? It was possible because of the faith he so boldly lives. Marshall was incarcerated at 21 years old and has served 17 years of his sentence. When I drove away from N.L.C.I. I decided I wanted Marshall to know that he was remembered by someone. I wanted him to know he made an impact on my life by living the way he did within the walls of prison. I

wanted him to know that despite the circumstances, I wanted to extend the olive branch of becoming his friend. Writing Marshall Jones was one of the best choices I have ever made in my life.

I believe so many men like Marshall are deserving of a second chance. This is something I wouldn't have ever understood if I didn't have my time in prison, working closely with the general population. There is a deep need for prison reform and Marshall is the perfect story of a cast away finding redemption. I know how many second chances I have had. I believe it's time for those who have proven rehabilitation exists, get their second chance. To make evident their efforts aren't for nothing.

From: Kelli

Comment from Kelli, who read the Climb, a poem by Marshall on Red Thread Poets Website

<https://www.redthreadpoets.com/the-climb/>

Re: The Climb, by Marshall Jones

This poem personally speaks to my heart because I know the struggle of many who are fighting for their freedom from incarceration. Prisons are full of people who have been given unmerciful harsh sentencing who are just wanting to be given a chance to redeem themselves in society to help others. God wants to use those who have surrendered their hearts to His Son Jesus Christ who's incarcerated to become the mentors for our youths in today's culture. God has a plan for every individual's life. Keeping people confined to incarceration who God need to be Ambassadors for His Kingdom is certainly not the answer. Treating all people how one would want to be treated should be the defining moment when passing a judgment onto others. Love and mercy covers a multitude of sins. God and the Lord Jesus are expressing love and mercy everyday towards all people and humanity must practice in doing the same.

God Bless all who read this comment and take it to heart.

From: Peter W Stevens,

Friend to Our Triune God, the Founder of Red Thread Poets <https://www.redthreadpoets.com/category/100-poets/peter-will-stevens/>

I met Marshall through Jessica mid 2020. We become very close brothers in just a few short months emailing back and forth most days. I live north of Toronto in Canada and was building a website to glorify God and honour poets. Red Thread Poets. Marshall sent me his poems, I have his book "A Raven's Meal" and he is one of our first-five honoured poets on the website. HOWEVER it is his daily devotionals under the 'banner 'RED GRANITE' that show his anointing - they are high impact for me every day. We post them in Facebook under Red Thread Poets, and recap them on the website.

<https://www.redthreadpoets.com/category/100-poets/red-granite-daily-devotions/>.

Marshall is DEARLY LOVED, peter

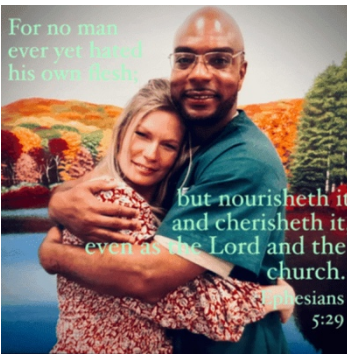
Peter's April 2025 update on Marshall and Jessica Jones:

Since November 1, 2020, Marshall and later with Jessica have written approximately 1,300 Daily Devotions, of which there are at least 12 Series. On November 1, 2022, they were married. Hallelujah.

Marshall continues to study and write from within the confines he remains in for now. He commences a bachelor's degree in biblical studies shortly, please pray for them both, and for The Lord to arrange his release before too long. Jessica posted this recently:

'I can confidently say my husband is everything he's supposed to be in our marriage, and he is always wanting to love me more tomorrow than he did today. He's not smothering, nor is he one who says things but doesn't follow with action. My husband is the real deal, and I am so thankful to know what it means to truly be loved by him like Christ loves the Church. Today's message (Ephesians 5:29) is great encouragement to husbands, wives, and the whole walk of marriage. God bless each of you and your marriages you are committed to!'

Much love!



INTRODUCTION

The power of God dwelled in Christ, empowering Him to bring the provisions of heaven down to earth. Christ already came to earth with power, but when He died on the cross for the sins of the world, He received all power to do with it as He willed. What did He do with this power? He shared it with us, giving us the ability to work the works of God the same way Christ did, and even in greater ways. This was Christ's mind for us who believe, to allow us to walk in the same power He did. Christ is seated at the right hand of God, which is the highest position in the kingdom of God, and from that position, He is the power of God, interceding on our behalf.

God Bless!

Marshall & Jessica

This Study Series was first posted on Red Thread Poets Facebook page commencing on September 4, 2023, and is also available at <https://www.redthreadpoets.com/daily-devotions-1st-quarter-2021/>,

1. Revelation 5:12 - ONCE - the POWER Christ received

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Today, we will look at part one of this seven part study of Revelation 5:12, the POWER Christ received.

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Let's dive into the Lord's power.

The word ***"power"*** means "miraculous force, authority, or might, spoken of omnipotent sovereignty as due to God."

In Philippians 2:9-11, the Bible says, ***"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."***

Jesus was highly exalted Christ and no other name on the earth is greater than Christ's. We only bow and confess to those in power, and Christ has all power.

In Matthew 28:18, the Bible says, ***"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."***

Christ declared His power in and over the earth with this statement. Christ controls it all!

In Colossians 2:9-10, the Bible says, ***"For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power".***

Because Christ has the entire Spirit of God inside of Him, He is over any power that is on earth or in heaven.

In John 10:18, the Bible says, **"No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father."**

Christ was given the power to lay down His life, because no one was in power to take it from Him. He wouldn't have ever died on the cross had He not laid His life down as the offering for sin. They tried kill Christ so many times, but were unsuccessful because they didn't have the power to take His life. He could only lose His life by giving it up!

In Acts 10:38, the Bible says, **"How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him."**

Christ walked with this power, and performed miracles, signs and wonders with the power He had, including rescuing people from the power of the enemy. Christ had this power on earth and it was attributed to God who had to be with Him.

In John 17:1-2, the Bible says, **"These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him."**

Christ received all power to pave the way for us to receive eternal life, and was slain, to not only have all power on earth, but in heaven as well!

2. Revelation 5:12 - TWICE - the true riches of God

"Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and RICHES, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing."

This world is driven by what some call "The Almighty Dollar".

People have made money and material possessions their god, instead of worshipping God who is in heaven. People have somehow equated a person's net worth to their worth as a person, and that shouldn't be. All the money made in the world is still insufficient to pay for one's admittance into the kingdom of God, and if a person tries to amass wealth without a relationship with God,

and without salvation by faith in Jesus Christ, they will realize that they made the wrong investment with their lives. We must understand something simple.

There is no such thing as a billionaire in heaven, because what we see as currency means nothing in the kingdom.

Today, we will look at the second part of this seven part series Slain to Receive out of Revelation 5:12, the true riches of God.

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The word "**riches**" means "abundance, valuable bestowment, wealth as in fullness." Do we notice that these meanings say nothing of money, gold, stocks, etc.?

In 1 Samuel 2:7-8, the Bible says, "**The LORD maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up. He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and he hath set the world upon them.**"

Our first problem is we have adopted our own standard of who is poor and who is rich, but it is only the Lord God who assesses what riches are. Remember in Matthew when they tried to trick Jesus by asking Him whether they should pay taxes to Caesar or not?

In Matthew 22:20-21, the Bible says of Christ, "**And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? They say unto him, Caesar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.**"

Christ expresses that there is a difference between what we deem to be money and what God deems to be money.

In Proverbs 8:18-19, the Bible says, "**Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness. My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver.**"

In this Proverb it is speaking about the value of wisdom, but it is also understood by scholars to be referring to Jesus Christ. So if there is no such thing as our version of money in the kingdom of God, and riches and honour are with Christ, then the riches Christ attained by dying on the cross for our sins is a wealth that is spiritual, given directly by the hand of God.

In Ephesians 3:8, the Bible says, "**Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ**".

Paul knew that Christ had riches that couldn't be found on this earth. Our problem is that we try to find wealth from the outside, but God wants us to find our wealth from within.

In Hebrews 11:26, the Bible says, "**Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.**"

Even Moses viewed the riches of Christ to be more valuable than anything the world had to offer.

In Colossians 1:27, the Bible says, ***"To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory"***.

Christ in us is the unsearchable riches of God, His Holy Spirit dwelling richly in us. Christ exchanged this for one better: to sit at that Father's right hand!

3. Revelation 5:12 – THRICE – WISDOM

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Wisdom begins with a knowledge and fear of the Lord.

We will never begin to know how to live a Godly life in Christ without knowing His Word and without faith in His finished work on the cross. What do we really know comparable to the wisdom of God, that has existed since the beginning of time, and has made all things known to God? When Christ rose from the dead, He returned to the full wisdom of God that far surpassed what He knew on earth. However it is God's will that we live in the same wisdom that Christ did on earth.

Christ makes these precious gifts available to us so we can know the things God desires of us. It is only by the power of the Holy Spirit that we can walk in the wisdom of God.

Today we will look at Revelation 5:12, the third part of this series, "Slain to Receive", the amazing wisdom of Christ.

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The word ***"wisdom"*** means "infinite skill, insight, knowledge, and purity."

In Luke 2:40, the Bible says, ***"And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him."***

When Christ was on the earth, He was God robed in flesh, but He had to grow into the wisdom God planted inside Him by the Holy Spirit. There is an order in the earth that even Christ partook in. God didn't allow Christ to implement everything planted inside Him until the appointed time. In the meanwhile,

Christ grew and matured in wisdom by the grace of God, the same grace that empowers us to fulfill the will of God at our appointed time.

In Luke 2:51-52, the Bible says, ***"And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man."***

When Jesus Christ was a child and he sat around with the teachers, in the Temple, listening to them and asking them questions, His wisdom confounded them all because of His youth. He was

so busy engaging them in conversation that His parents already left and were gone for a day without noticing that he was gone! When Christ submitted to His parents, and went home with them, He grew even more in wisdom and increased in God's favor.

It is important for us to understand that Christ, God robed in flesh, had to grow into the wisdom He had that led to His three year ministry, so if Christ had to grow in wisdom, so do we.

In Proverbs 8:14, the Bible says, ***"Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength."***

The wisdom Christ received after He was slain allowed Him to return to whom He was from the beginning. Because that same wisdom that was in Christ then, now lives in us, we have access to God's Word in ways we can't begin to fathom.

In Proverbs 2:1-2, the Bible says, ***"My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee; So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding"***.

We can't just have the wisdom of God and do nothing with it. We must apply the wisdom of God to our lives, just as Christ did.

In Colossians 1:9-10, the Bible says, ***"For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God."***

We have the wisdom of God planted inside each of us, and this allows us to live lives that are pleasing to God, and to live worthy of the calling we have. It is because Christ was slain that we can have this wisdom!

4. Revelation 5:12 - QUARCE - STRENGTH

"Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and WISDOM, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing."

When we look at strength, we tend to gravitate towards physical ability first.

We think about Samson, we think about David and Goliath, and we think about Israel taking down empires more vast than theirs. Strength is way more than just physical. Strength comes from God, and it equips us to stand in the midst of storms, race after our purpose, and carry the Word of God in our hearts and minds.

When I had a gruelling season of loss, people told me that they've never seen a stronger person than me, but I tell them, "It's not my strength. It's God's." I would have never made it had it not been for the Lord. When Christ rose from the dead, He rose stronger and mightier than He ever was on this earth, and as heirs of God, we now have this strength within us.

Today, we will look at Revelation 5:12, the fourth part of the series "Slain to Receive", the immeasurable strength of Christ.

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The word **"strength"** means "forcefulness, potency, ability".

In Isaiah 26:4-5, the Bible says, **"Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength: For he bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, he layeth it low; he layeth it low, even to the ground; he bringeth it even to the dust."**

The strength that our risen Lord has is a strength that will last forever, that will have victory against anything or anyone that appears to have the advantage.

The Lord's strength is the reason why it should be easier for us to trust in Him, because He had already won the victory for us. When we try to operate in our own strength, that is the same thing as telling God, "I don't believe you can do it". How can we ever expect to succeed in our faith thinking like that?

In Psalm 28:7-8, the Bible says, **"The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him. The LORD is their strength, and he is the saving strength of his anointed."**

Not only is everlasting strength in our Lord, but He IS our strength! He is our protection and that is another thing that should incite our trust in the Lord. Too many times, we search for other things to be our strength; weapons, money, relationships, but if the Lord isn't our strength, we are very weak.

In Psalm 27:1, the Bible says, **"The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"**

Is the Lord the strength of our life? That may be the telltale sign of why we are walking in defeat instead of victory, because the wrong things and the wrong people are our strength instead of the Lord.

In Psalm 46:1-2, the Bible says, **"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea."**

When we are afraid, it is because we see the adversity instead of our Lord who protects us and fights for us. A very present help, means He is always available to help.

In Ephesians 3:16, the Bible says, **"That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man."**

Not only is our Lord strength, but He always strengthens us to be able to live from victory against anything in our path. We don't have to fight in our own strength, because the Lord places His strength inside of us, and allows us to get victory after victory.

It is because of the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross that made this everlasting strength available to us!

5. Revelation 5:12 - QUINCE - HONOUR

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When our risen Saviour was slain for the sin of the world, His action honoured God.

Jesus came to the world with the intention of laying His life down so that we may have access to salvation and eternal life. Because of this, Jesus Christ was given the highest name in heaven and earth, and at His name, what we experience from heaven comes alive!

Christ Is the Author and Finisher of our faith, so if Christ is not the center of our belief, then nothing else matters! God ensured that Christ would hold this place of honour in heaven and in earth, and it is our job as believers to exalt the name of the Lord in our speech, actions, and by the way we live our lives. If Christ isn't honoured, then our honour has gone to another, and that shouldn't be.

Today, we will continue our study of Revelation 5:12, the fifth part of our study "Slain to Receive", a Saviour worthy of honour.

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The word **"honour"** means "to esteem to the highest degree, or to bestow dignity upon".

In Hebrews 2:9-10, the Bible says, ***"But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man. For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings."***

Here's why Christ should receive all honour! Christ came to earth, took on flesh, left His deity behind, all to die for a bunch of people who didn't deserve to have the chance at salvation or eternal life. Imagine a king taking the place of a servant, then dying to leave us an inheritance that gives us the same privileges as the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords.

Christ did this to bring us who believe into a harvest of salvation and righteousness, completely changing our nature in Him, and when His work was done on earth, He received His crown of honour.

In Philippians 2:9-11, the Bible says, ***"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."***

Christ ascended to the Father, God presented Him to the Church as being higher than anything on earth and in heaven. His name requires our worship and our confession that Jesus Christ is the supreme authority.

In 2 Peter 1:16-17, the Bible says, ***"For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."***

It took mankind a while to catch up, but Christ was being honoured by God in heaven while He was still on earth, and there were eyewitnesses to the honour God showed Jesus Christ.

In John 8:54, the Bible says, ***"Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God."***

Christ came to serve and was honoured by God because He reflected God's vision for His life.

In Revelation 19:1, the Bible says, ***"And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God."***

Now, the heavenly host honours our Lord and Savior day and night! Are we?

6. Revelation 5:12 - SENCE - GLORY

"Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and GLORY, and blessing."

When we think of glory, we can picture a light shining upon someone to exhibit them before others.

When we give glory to God, we want others to know who our God is, that God is indeed responsible for the blessings that have come in our lives.

Because of the love offering of Christ dying on the cross, shedding His blood for the sin of mankind, we glorify Him by acknowledging Him as Lord and Savior, and by sharing the revelations we receive with others, and by sharing the Word of God so that others can hear the good news and turn to Christ for salvation as well.

We live in a society where people are trying to bring glory to themselves with every post, ever selfie, and every blog, but Jesus Christ deserves all of the glory. If we glorified the Lord the same way we try to glorify ourselves, then maybe there wouldn't be so many people experiencing brokenness at the end of themselves.

Today, we will look at Revelation 5:12, the sixth part of the series, Slain to Receive, who are we shining our light on?

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The word **"Lamb"** refers to Jesus Christ, the Passover Lamb, whose blood cleansed any who believe in His name once and for all.

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In Revelation 4:11, the Bible says, ***"Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."***

This was declared in heaven by 24 elders, who laid down their crowns to declare the power of Christ.

They attributed Christ as Creator of all things for His pleasure. Where does this sound familiar?

In Colossians 1:16, the Bible says, **"For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him".**

Christ created this world and everything in it for Himself.

In Philippians 2:13, the Bible says, **"For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure."**

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The word **"glory"** means "praise or worship".

This is an intentional act of making Jesus Christ the center of attention, acknowledging that we belong to Him.

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When we understand that this world and the powers in it were created by Christ and for Him, and He still came to die so that we can be brought into a right relationship with God, it will become easier to glorify Jesus Christ by putting the attention on Him.

In Matthew 16:27, the Bible says, **"For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works."**

Christ was slain to receive glory, but He is returning in the glory of God. If God is putting glory upon Christ, then what is our excuse.

Just in case someone thinks that I am being sacrilegious by saying God glorified Christ let's look at John 17:1-2, which says, **"These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him."**

Jesus Christ was ready to receive God's glory upon Him, and He already planned to use this glory to give more glory to God. What do we do with the glory we receive, vaunt ourselves up or give it back to God?

In 1 Corinthians 1:30-31, the Bible says, **"But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord."**

These gifts we received of God are because of Jesus Christ, so why wouldn't Christ get our glory?

In Jude 1:24-25, the Bible says, **"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen."**

Because of the Lord shedding His blood on the cross for our sin, we can now appear faultless before God as children and not strangers.

Christ was slain to receive glory because His death and resurrection gave us the power to stand before our God, cleansed and whole.

7. Revelation 5:12 - SEPTENCE - BLESSING

"Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and BLESSING."

When our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ was slain,

He was resurrected with all power.

Everything was given to him, He was given all wisdom, all strength, all honour and all glory. This should compel our worship, this should open our hearts to love the Lord our God in a way we never have before.

Because of the finished work of Jesus Christ, we have access to live a life that allows us to see things that we never saw before, to experience the mighty hand of God change us in ways that we could never imagine, and to see God give us victory over impossible foes. In experiencing the mighty hand of God move, I want to run back to Him like that leper who was cleansed with the ten and give Him my thanks and love because only He could cleanse my spots.

Today, we will look at Revelation 5:12, the seventh and last part of the series "Slain to Receive", a risen Savior deserving of blessing.

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The word "**blessing**" means "adoration, thanksgiving, ascribing praise and benefit".

People associate blessing with what is received, but it is about what we give to the Lord. Jesus Christ paid a truly horrifying cost to give us the privilege to be called children of God. Christ even shared His inheritance with us!

In Psalm 34:1-3, the Bible says, "**I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad. O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.**"

If our Lord was slain to receive blessing, then why isn't that flowing from our lips? When is the last time we prayed to God and exclusively loved on the Lord, thanking Him for what He has done for us?

This Scripture suggests that we give our adoration, thanksgiving and praise to the Lord continuously, and our praise of the Lord should make others glad.

In Psalm 28:6-7, the Bible says, "**Blessed be the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications. The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him.**"

When we cry out to the Lord, He hears and responds and provides an answer, but does He hear our praise afterward?

Is our praise of God a witness to the wondrous work of the Lord or are we silent, keeping the testimony to ourselves?

In Matthew 21:9, the Bible says, "**And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.**"

The same people who praised the Lord at His triumphant entry were some of the same people who forsook Him when He hung on the cross. Is our praise conditional?

In Luke 1:67-68, the Bible says, **"And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying, Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people"**.

Christ was blessed before He came into the world, and He is definitely blessed as He is seated in heaven. Our Lord redeemed us from the penalty of death and gave us access to salvation and eternal life.

In 1 Timothy 6:15-16, the Bible says, **"Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen."**

We bless our Lord because He has never lost a battle, because He sacrificed Himself so we'd live forever, because He loves us so deeply.

God Bless!
Marshall & Jessica

WHY KJV (King James Version)

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15

This is one of my favorite Bible verses, a constant source of encouragement for me to dig deeper and deeper into the Word of God to receive truth in its deepest form. I believe it is our job as believers to study as deep as we can, and then build our way up. The King James Version of the Bible is one of most popular early translations of the Bible to English, so that is where my study begins. I have come to learn that by putting the King James Version side by side with other translations that may be easier to read, that easier doesn't always keep the deeper meaning intact. The "thee", "thy", and "ye" can be a little overwhelming at first, but as with anything else we study continuously, it will become easier to decipher.

The Bible I use, the KJV AMG Hebrew-Greek Keyword Study Bible, gives me an enormous tool to not only study the Word of God from an earlier English translation, but gives me access to study the keywords in the Scripture to find the deeper meaning of the verses I study. The more I studied the Word of God, the deeper I wanted to go. When I first started my incarceration over 17 years ago, I read the NIV version of the Bible. As I matured as a reader, I went back to the King James Version in 2007, wanting to learn the most difficult English translation. I went to the Hebrew-Greek Keyword Study Bible in 2014 and have been using it since. I recently was given a MacArthur Study Bible, NASB, which I use for scriptural cross-references and commentary purposes. I am in no way saying it is wrong for anyone to study any translation other than the King James Version, but I do suggest that everyone possesses one, so we can break down the Word of Truth side by side. It is important to go to the earliest possible translation, to see the modernized translations accurately convey the Word of God.

Studying the Word of God pleases Him, and I desire to break down the Scriptures rightly, understanding that by studying the Word of God, I am breaking down truth so I can position myself for the Holy Spirit's teaching. Whatever I learn, I then share, and by sheer repetition, I am able to retain what I learn better.

May the study of God's Word release amazing truths and powerful revelations in your lives.

Marshall's Bio, Poems, and History

Marshall's Bio

Marshall Jones is a 40-year-old man on a lifelong journey of bearing fruit for the Kingdom of God. The author of "A Raven's Meal" (RoseDog Books), a poetry collection, he aspires to target the grey areas, and the people who are terribly misunderstood by society. Believing that everyone deserves a voice, he not only shares his testimony, but he also tries to use his gifting to share other people's experiences as well. He writes from the prison system that has housed his body for 20 years, but also from the place that has been the catalyst to his freedom.

His biography, written with Jessica, called "The Prodigal Son" is available at Amazon online.

Marshall's Poems

You can view Marshall's poems at <https://www.redthreadpoets.com/category/100-poets/marshall-jones/>

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Red Granite Daily Devotions commenced on Red Thread Poets Facebook page on November 1, 2020. This is the 11th in his Daily Devotion Series. The Daily Devotions are recapped by date at <https://www.redthreadpoets.com/category/100-poets/red-granite-daily-devotions/>

Marshall uses, among others, these resources in his Bible Study: AMG Hebrew Greek Keyword Study Bible (KJV), Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, The MacArthur Study Bible (NASB), Webster's New World College Dictionary.

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- Conceived November 2020
- First Daily Devotion November 1, 2020
- 13 Series available as of Q2 2026
- Over 1,300 daily Devotions written since November 2020.
- Written by Marshall Jones from his cell in Wisconsin, United States of America
- 22 years to 2026 serving a double life homicide sentence
- Jessica his wife and partner from November 1, 2022
- We all await the Lord's grace for a positive outcome from the new 2026 Commutation Advisory Board in Wisconsin, please pray for such

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