

The Gift Giver

Our Lord Jesus Christ, and Our God and Father

- Everything good from God James 1:17
- All spiritual blessings in Christ Ephesians 1:3
- Giving/receiving of gifts in connection with our relationship 1 Peter 1:13-16 (Children); Colossians 1:13-14; 3:1-4, 17 (Kingdom subjects)

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The Ground of Expectation

- Love "who has loved us" Romans 5:5-11
 - God's love John 5:16
 - Jesus' love Mark 6:54; 10:20-21; John 15:15
 - Keep yourself in His love! Jude 21;
 - 2 Thessalonians 2:15-15

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The Ground of Expectation

- Love "who has loved us" Romans 5:5-11
- Grace *"by grace"* Romans 5:20-21
 - Grace reigns through righteousness Romans 1:16-17; 10:5-4
 - God's grace Titus 2:11-14
 - Be strong in grace! 2 Timothy 2:1

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Everlasting Consolation

- "eternal comfort," (NASB) "comfort ageduring" (YLT)
- By the word 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 14; 1 Thessalonians 2:5, 13
- Comfort of the scriptures Romans 15:4-5; John 14:16-17, 25-27; 16:33

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Good Hope

- "good" as opposed to that which would disappoint (cf. Romans 5:5).
- Good because of its Author Titus 1:2; Hebrews 6:13-18
- Good because of its content 1 Cor. 15:19; 1 Peter 1:5-5; Matthew 6:20-21

The Effects of the Gift

Hearts Comforted

- Strong consolation, and an anchor of the soul
 - Hebrews 6:18-20
- We have received "consolation in Christ, [and] comfort of love" (Philippians 2:1).

The Effects of the Gift

Established in Every Good Word and Work

- Established in obedient faith 2 Thess. 2:16-17
- We live to righteousness 1 Cor. 15:32-34, 58
- We patiently endure Hebrews 6:11-15

