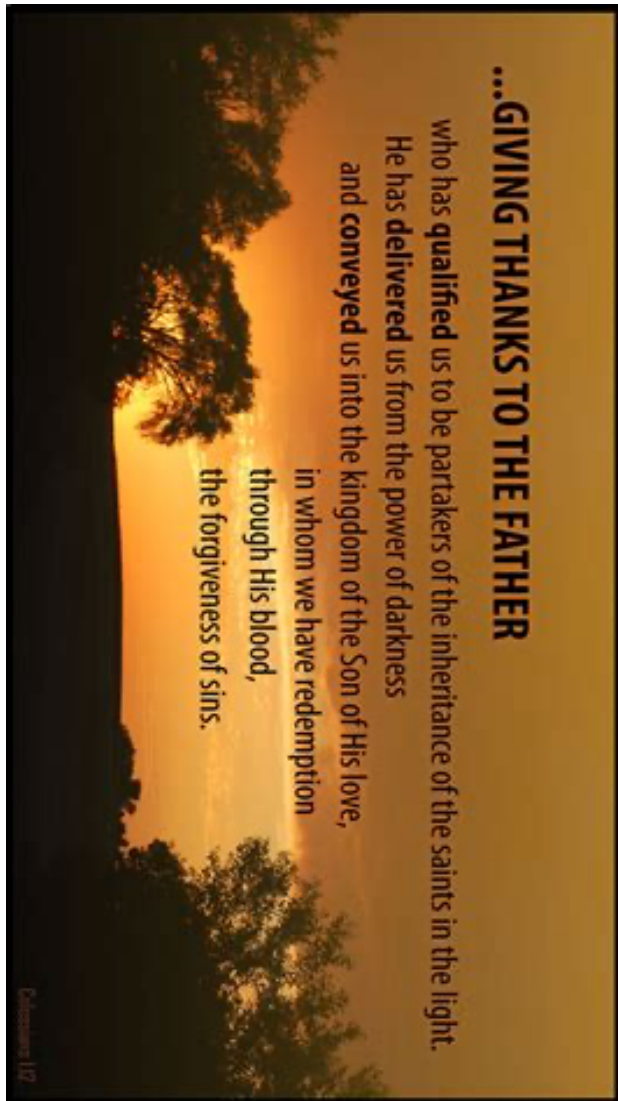


Do This In Remembrance of Me

And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord." (1 Cor. 1:30-31)



Think Deeply About What
Grace Has Done For You

"He Has Done Great Things for Me"

Colossians 1:12

Devotional Idea: The unmerited favor/grace of God alone qualifies us to be His sons/daughters - to whom and for whom all praise and devotion are to be expressed.

Contemplating The Meaning of Grace

- **What do we learn about Grace from Mary's Experience?**
(Meditate on Luke 1:26-38, 46-49)

Q: Why was Mary chosen? (*vs. 28 & 30*)

Q: Did Mary deserve to be chosen?

Q: What did Mary have to do to "accomplish" what God purposed to do? (*vs 31*)

Grace in Mary's Experience: When grace appears in the life of an individual ... it is something God chooses to do ... it is something that He alone accomplishes ... and He alone receives the glory & praise.

Q: Who did Mary boast in regarding this work of Grace?
Herself or God? (*vs. 46-49*)

Contemplating Saving Grace

- **What do we learn about Grace from Paul's prayer for the saints?** (*Meditate on Colossians 1:9-23*)

Q: What's the difference between being qualified and unqualified for something?

Q: Who qualifies someone to "*share in the inheritance of the saints in light*"?

Q: What does someone have to do to "accomplish" what God purposes to do in their life?

Q: What should be the response of the recipient of grace?

*"But far be it from me to boast EXCEPT
in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ ..."* (Gal. 6:14, *emph. added*)

What is God Saying to Me? (Personal Application)