



# **Life More Abundantly**

## John 10:1-10



# Why He came to earth

- John 10:10 I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.
  - Matthew 20:28 the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give His life a ransom for many.
  - Luke 19:10 for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.
  - John 6:38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

# Life more abundantly

- Context: Jesus as the Good Shepherd
  - John 9 Jesus healed the blind man
  - Outcry from the Pharisees
  - Jesus is rebuking the Pharisees as bad shepherds
  - The good shepherd: I lay down my life for the sheep
- He came that they might have life, more abundantly
  - “Life in its abounding fullness of joy and strength for spirit, soul, and body”

# Abundant Life

- Physical blessings? (family, homes, cars, jobs)
- Prosperity theology (“Health and wealth gospel”)
- Abundant life in Christ
  - Ephesians 1:3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ,



# Abundant Mercy, Grace

- 1 Peter 1:3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead
- Isaiah 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon.
- Eph 2:4-5 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),

# God's Goodness, Kindness

- Psalm 31:19 Oh, how great is Your goodness,  
Which You have laid up for those who fear You,  
*Which* You have prepared for those who trust in You  
In the presence of the sons of men!
  - Psalm 33:5 The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.
  - Psalm 107:8 Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the LORD *for* His goodness, And *for* His wonderful works to the children of men!
- 2 Peter 1:3 His divine power has given to us all things that *pertain* to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,

# Abundant Power

- Psalm 147:5 Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.
- Eph 1:18-20 that you may know what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power <sup>20</sup> which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated *Him* at His right hand in the heavenly *places*,
- Eph 3:16-18 that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, <sup>17</sup> that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith;

# Abundant Joy

- 1 Peter 1:8-9 whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see *Him*, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, <sup>9</sup> receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of *your* souls.
- Philippians 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!
- Philippians 2:14-16 Do all things without complaining and disputing,<sup>15</sup> that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, <sup>16</sup> holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain.





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