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TOPIC: YOU ARE SECURE IN HIM – Pastor Alton Trimble
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Continues from last week...

I. I AM SAFE IN THE MASTER'S HAND.

COLOSSIANS 3:1-3 (NLT)

Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. ² Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. ³ For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God.

A. MY POSITION

B. MY PERSPECTIVE

C. MY PURPOSE

D. MY PLACE

1. It's a place in a new family.

JOHN 1:11-13 (NLT)

He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. ¹² But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. ¹³ They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

2. It's a new place qualitatively.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NLT)

This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

3. It's a new place in eternity.

John 3:16 (NLT)

For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

4. It's a place established by divine authority.

John 1:12 (NLT)

But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God.

5. It's a place that is the result of his predestined will and for His pleasure.

Ephesians 1:5 (NLT)

God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

6. It's a place of our acceptance by Him and our praise to him.

Romans 15:7 (NLT)

Therefore, accept each other just as Christ has accepted you so that God will be given glory.

7. It's a place of fullness in Him.

Colossians 2: 9-10 (NLT)

For in Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body.¹⁰ So you also are complete through your union with Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority.

Ephesians 1:23 (NLT)

And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself.

8. It's a place of freedom from bondage.

Romans 6:6 (NLT)

We know that our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin.

9. It's a place of unity and oneness with Christ.

1 Corinthians 6:17 (NLT)

But the person who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

10. It's a place where I'm formed, known, set apart and appointed to His plan or my future.

Jeremiah 1:5 (NLT)

"I knew you before I formed you in your mother's womb. Before you were born I set you apart and appointed you as my prophet to the nations."

11. It's a place where I have and play a part in God's Plan and Purpose.

1 Corinthians 12:27 (NLT)

All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it.

12. It's a place I've been called to.

1 Peter 2:9 (NLT)

But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

II. I AM EQUIPPED BY GOD FOR MY LIFE'S ASSIGNMENT.

ROMANS 8:30 (NLT)

And having chosen them, he called them to come to him. And having called them, he gave them right standing with himself. And having given them right standing, he gave them his glory.

ROMANS 8:30a (NLT)

And having chosen them...

a. Chosen

Ephesians 1:4-5 (NLT)

Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. ⁵ God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

John 15:16 (NLT)

You didn't choose me. I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce lasting fruit, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask for, using my name.

ROMANS 8:30b (NLT)

... he called them to come to him.

b. Called

Proverbs 31:8-9 (NLT)

Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves; ensure justice for those being crushed. ⁹ Yes, speak up for the poor and helpless, and see that they get justice.

Isaiah 1:17 (NLT)

Learn to do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed. Defend the cause of orphans. Fight for the rights of widows.

Isaiah 58:6-7 (NLT)

"No, this is the kind of fasting I want: Free those who are wrongly imprisoned; lighten the burden of those who work for you. Let the oppressed go free, and remove the chains that bind people. ⁷ Share your food with the hungry, and give shelter to the homeless. Give clothes to those who need them, and do not hide from relatives who need your help."

Micah 6:8 (NLT)

No, O people, the LORD has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.

Mark 16:15 (NLT)

And then he told them, "Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone."

Philippians 3:12-14 (NLT)

I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me. ¹³No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

Hebrews 3:1 (NLT)

And so, dear brothers and sisters who belong to God and are partners with those called to heaven, think carefully about this Jesus whom we declare to be God's messenger and High Priest.

1 Peter 2:9-10 (NLT)

But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰"Once you had no identity as a people; now you are God's people. Once you received no mercy; now you have received God's mercy."

ROMANS 8:30c-d (NLT)

And having called them, he gave them right standing with himself.

Discussion Questions

1. Take one of the 12 points about "My Place" and share what that means to you.
 - What personal challenges do you face in finding your place in God daily?
2. How does Romans 8:30 find application in your everyday life?
 - Please discuss and give examples from your experience.
3. How would you articulate your God-given purpose in a brief statement?
 - Please discuss
4. Please describe how your new life in Christ is different from your former life.
 - Please discuss

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