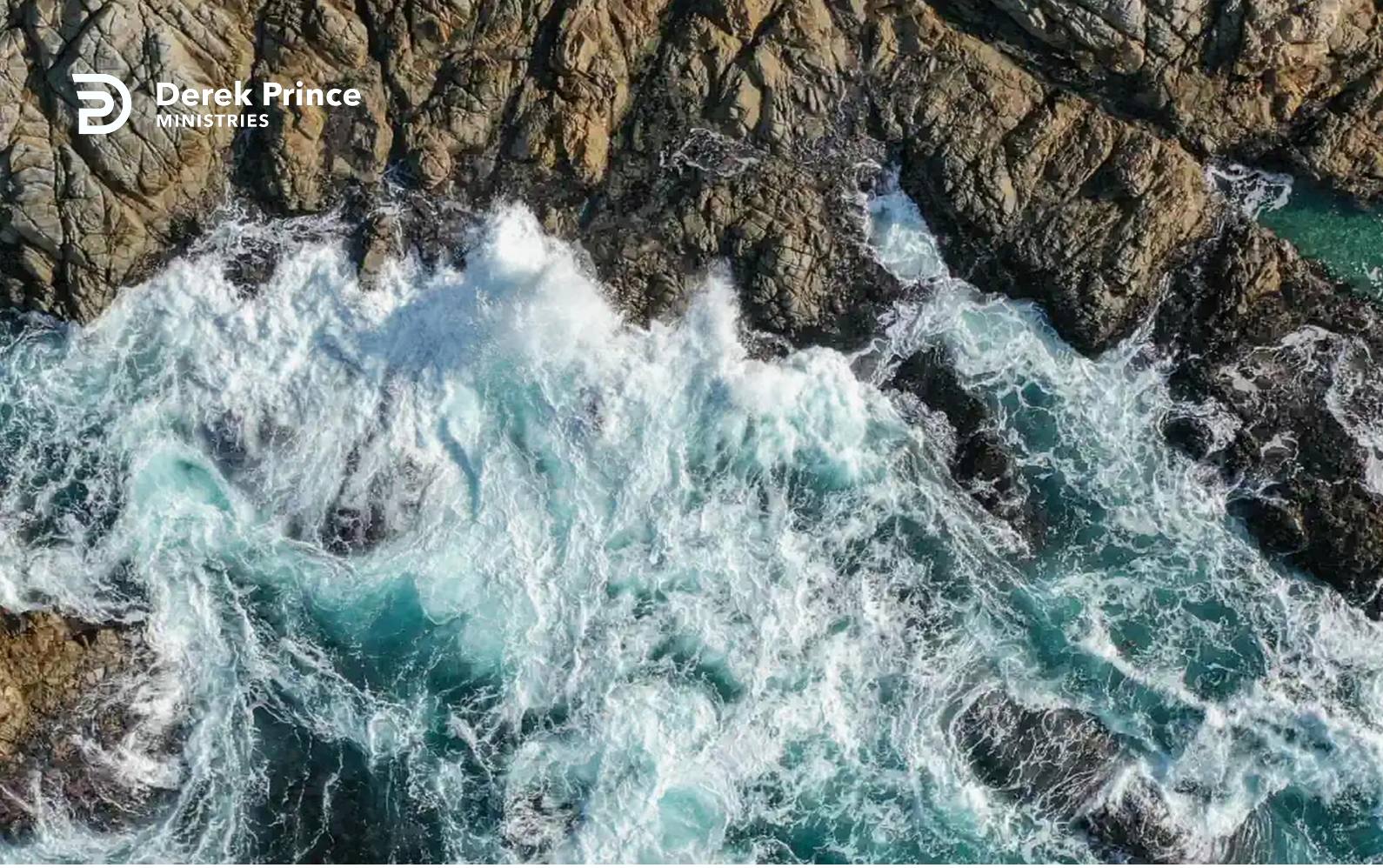

God's provision is in His promises



Claiming Your Inheritance (Day 29)
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The Holy Spirit plays a special role in enabling us to claim our inheritance in Christ. But what is the actual form in which our inheritance comes to us?

The key passage for understanding this is found in the second epistle of 2 Peter 1:2-4.

> "Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. His [God's] divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these [the glory and goodness of Jesus] he [God] has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them [that is, through the promises] you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires." (NIV)

I marvel sometimes at the writings of Peter because he was apparently a comparatively unlearned man and yet so much of tremendous truth and so many concepts and words that indicate a high level of education. Of course, Peter got his education through the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit is really the best educator in the world and He still is today.

Peter starts by saying, "Grace and peace be yours in abundance..." The first thing I need to point out is that God's provision for us is in abundance. God is not a stingy God. He is not poor. He is not in financial need. He is not in spiritual need. He is the author and source of everything in the universe and when He provides for us, His people, He provides in abundance.

Peter goes on, "... through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord." This indicates that every provision of God comes through knowing God and Jesus. There is no other way that provision can come except through knowing God and Jesus. I put it this way: God is the only source, Jesus is the only channel. And I want to emphasize the word "only." God is the only source; Jesus, the only channel.

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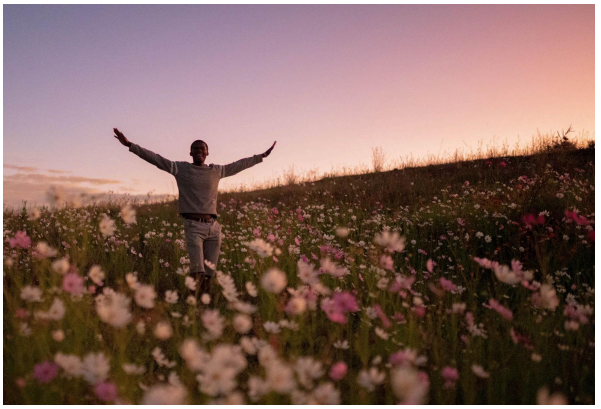

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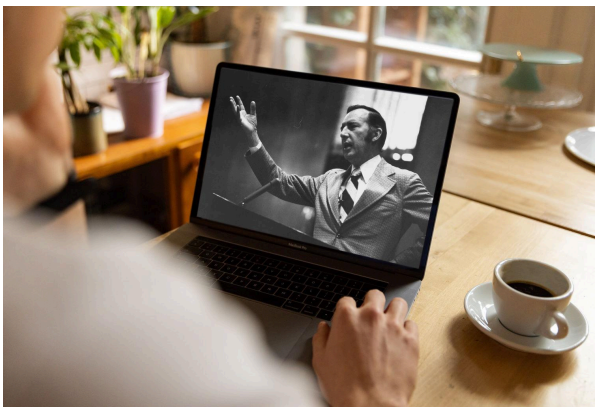

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