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Our New Position in Christ

Ephesians 2:19-22

I. We have been made citizens in God's kingdom.

Sun/Syn:

With or Together

I. We have been made citizens in God's kingdom.

A. As citizens we receive protection, _____, and _____.

2 Yahweh is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge;
My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Psalm 18:2

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A. As citizens we receive protection, access, and _____.

[16] Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:16

I. We have been made citizens in God's kingdom.

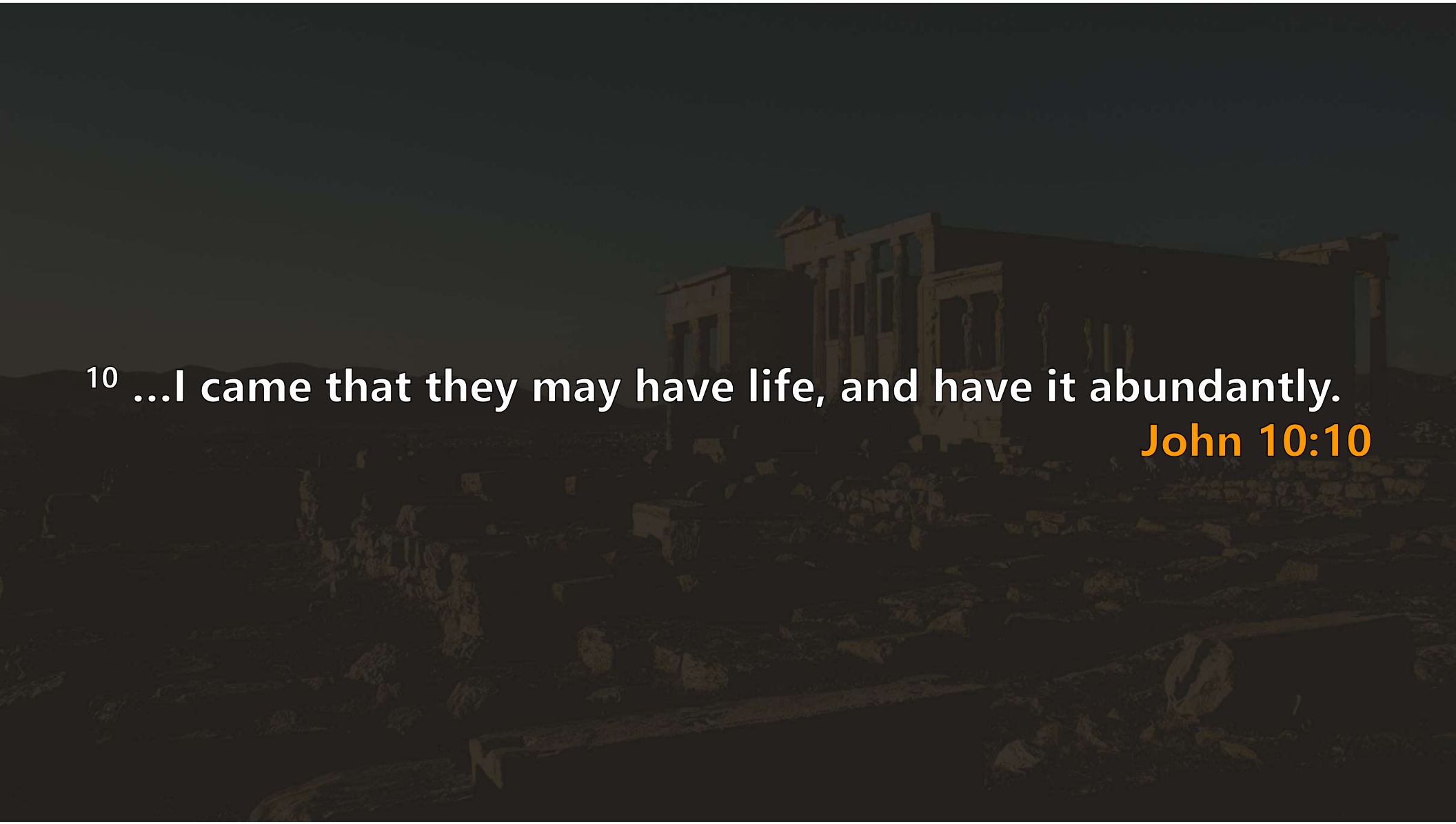
A. As citizens we receive protection, access, and freedom.

36 So if the son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

John 8:36

1 It was for freedom that Christ set us free. Therefore, stand firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.

Galatians 5:1



10 ...I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

John 10:10

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A. As citizens we receive protection, access, and freedom.

B. As citizens we are duty-bound to serve the king, _____, and _____.

10 As each one has received a gift, employ it in serving one
another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God –
11 whoever speaks, as one speaking the oracle of God;
whoever serves as one serving by the strength which God
supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ , to whom belongs the glory and
might forever and ever.

1 Peter 4:10-11

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[22] But become doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.

James 1:22

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8 My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit
and so prove to be my disciples.

John 15:8

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B. As citizens we are duty-bound to serve the king, obey the king, and bear fruit.

C. As citizens we are ambassadors of the Kingdom of God.

17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the
old things passed away; behold, new things have come.
18 Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to
Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of
reconciliation,
19 namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to
Himself, not counting their transgressions against them,
and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation.
20 So then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as God is
pleading through us. We beg you on behalf of Christ to
be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:17-20

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5 So we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another,

Romans 12:5

44 And all those who believed were together and had all things in common;
45 and they began selling their property and possessions and were dividing them up with all, as anyone might have need.
46 And daily devoting themselves with one accord in the temple and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart,
47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2:44-47

II. In Christ we have been brought into God's family.

A. As family members we have intimate relationship with God and with one another.

B. As family members we are intimately involved with the family, and we are called to ____ the family.

3 doing nothing from selfish ambition or vain glory, but
with humility of mind regarding one another as more
important than yourselves,
4 not merely looking out for your own personal interests,
but also for the interests of others.

Philippians 2:3-4

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B. As family members we are intimately involved with the family, and we are called to grow the family.

3 Go therefore and make disciples of all the
nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the
Son and the Holy Spirit,
4 teaching them to keep all that I commanded you; and
behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:19-20

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B. As family members we are intimately involved with the family, and we are called to grow the family.

C. As family members we find our identity in Jesus Christ.

[24] A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a slave above his master.

Matthew 10:24

III. In Christ we are being built into a holy temple.

5 you also as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:5

III. In Christ we are being built into a holy temple.

A. We have been **built** on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus as our chief cornerstone.

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D. We are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

Main Point:

As believers, our new position in Christ makes us a part of God's eternal kingdom.

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