**A Good Inheritance**

Ephesians 1

Words and Music by Jill Shannon Copyright © 2023

Vs. 1

 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Yeshua

Who has blessed us with every spiritual gift in the heavenly places in Messiah

He has chosen us in Him before the worlds were formed

And predestined us as adopted sons

For His pleasing will, to the glory of His grace

CHORUS

He has made us accepted in the Beloved

And in the fullness of time, all of Heaven and earth

He will join together as One new Man in Messiah’s love

Verse 3

In Him we have redemption through His blood, forgiving sins

The riches of His grace, abundantly He gave

Granting wisdom, giving understanding

CHORUS 2

In Him we have obtained a good inheritance predestined

In His holy purposes, by the counsel of His will

He will bring together all things in Christ, in heaven and on earth

Bridge

In Him you also trusted*,* when you heard the word of truth

Received the Gospel of salvation, the Holy Spirit sealed in you

The guarantee of our possession, until we are redeemed

As the fullness of His purchase, to the praise of His glory

Our inheritance and Eternal Life are seen

Vs. 4

I have heard your faith and love for all His holy people

May the Father of Glory give to you

The Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation

Vs. 5

May our eyes of understanding be enlightened, that we’ll find

The riches of the glory of His possession, in His people, in His bride

Oh to know the greatness of His power to us who have believed

Which He worked in Christ when He raised Him up and seated Him on High

Chorus 3

O, the greatness of His power to us, the mighty power in Messiah

When He raised Him from the dead, and seated Him at His right hand

Far above all dominions and power and names

O, the Lord, He reigns, Name above all Names, O the Lord He reigns

Over all

**In Heavenly Places**

Ephesians 2

Words and Music by Jill Shannon Copyright © 2023

Vs. 1

And He made us alive, when we were dead in our sins

When we walked in pathways of darkness

By the prince of the power of the air, who now works

In the sons of disobedience

Vs. 2

And we also once walked in these soulish desires

To our shame, we indulged our iniquity

With dissentions and lies, and our self-serving pride

We were subject to the wrath of God

CHORUS

But God is so rich in His mercy toward us

Even when we were lost in our trespass

He has raised us together, and seated us in Heavenly places with Him

In the Heavenly places with Him

Verse 3

Some would call us outsiders, with uncircumcised hearts

Without Messiah, rejected and far away

But the Lord is our peace and has made us now One

He has brought us near, by Messiah’s blood

CHORUS 2

For by grace you are saved, and this is not of ourselves

It is God’s gift, not our own, for our boasting

For we are His workmanship, created in Yeshua for good works prepared

By the Lord God, before time began

Bridge

You who were once called, “the Heathen”

Foreigners to the covenants of Israel

Without hope in this world, without God in this place

But Messiah’s love has brought you near

The New Covenant in His grace

Vs. 4

You are no longer orphans, you belong to the King

As His family, never alone

Built upon the apostles and prophets of old

Lord Yeshua is the chief cornerstone

**Joint Heirs**

Ephesians 3

Words and Music by Jill Shannon Copyright © 2023

Vs. 1

I, Paul, a prisoner of Yeshua for the Gentile world, O to reach them all

You have heard the grace the Lord has given me

This mystery was revealed to me

One New Man in Messiah’s love for you

In the ages past, this was not made known to the sons of men

It was hidden

But His holy servants have now received the dispensation

Of the revelation

Chorus

A people once so far away, come to receive their share

One family in covenant, we are all joint heirs

Our inheritance is sure, our acceptance is secure

With abundant joy so pure, in the heart of God

Verse 2

I, Paul, was called to preach the hidden things, the mystery

For all eternity

I bow my knees to the Father of Yeshua

Where the family in Heaven and earth is named

Hidden in God, who created all things through Yeshua, in the beginning

That the manifold wisdom of God be made known, to dark powers in the heavenlies

**Chorus**

Now to Him Who can do abundantly, above all that we ask or think

According to His power in us, working miracles each day

**Bridge**

That Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith

Rooted and grounded in his love for you

May you comprehend with all the saints

The width and length, the depth and height

Verse 3

In the Father’s plan, was one eternal purpose

Now accomplished by His Beloved Son

May He grant to you, by the riches of His glory

To be strengthened in your inner man with might

Now to Him be the glory in His people, to all generations

Their inheritance is sure, their acceptance is secure

With abundant joy so pure, in the heart of God

**One Hope**

Ephesians 4

Words and Music by Jill Shannon Copyright © 2023

Vs. 1

Beloved ones, I beseech you to walk worthy of your call

With gentleness, patience and humility

Bearing with each other in love

Vs. 2

Endeavor to keep the unity in the Spirit, the bond of peace

One body, one Spirit, and one hope

Of your calling, your destiny in God

Chorus:

One Lord, one faith, one hope and one immersion

One Savior and our Father, we belong to Him

Who is above all things, and working through our lives

And He is in His people, and is with His people

Making One New Man in Messiah from us all

Vs. 3

To each one, grace was given, by the measure of Messiah’s gift

Some were apostles, prophets, and evangelists

Some were pastors and teachers of the flock

Vs. 4

These gifts supply every needful part

Working together, in love, the gospel flows

Messiah rules over His Body

Serving in unity, His Kingdom’s strength will grow

Chorus 2

May we come to the unity of faith abiding

And come to the knowledge of the Son of God

Until we can attain to the fullness of Christ

And He is in His people, and is with His people

Making One New Man in Messiah from us all

**Bridge**

We’ll no longer be like children, quickly blown away, to and fro

Nor carried by the winds of doctrine, with seeds of lies

Deceptive men have sown

Let us grow up into Yeshua our Messiah and our Head

We stand as one new man together, fighting the storms and evil winds ahead

Vs. 5

We cannot walk as unbelievers

In the futility of their darkened minds

They have indulged in lust and greed

And their conscience to God’s voice is deaf and blind

Making One New Man in Messiah’s love

One New Man in Messiah’s blood

Making One New Man in Messiah from us all

**A Great Mystery**

Ephesians 5:8 - 6:18

Words and Music by Jill Shannon Copyright © 2023

Vs. 1

Choose carefully with wisdom, in evil days, redeem the time

And be filled with the Spirit, singing praise to His Name

Growing in your understanding of His ways

Verse 2

As a mother loves her children, and their father provides for their needs

So the children must respect, to love and obey

Showing honor, their inheritance is safe

**Chorus:**

For we are members of His Body, of His flesh and of His bones

For this reason, a man shall leave his father and mother

And be joined to his bride, as one

Vs. 3

Now put on the full armor of God, to stand against the schemes of the enemy

But our war is not fought against flesh and blood

We war in Heaven’s realm, to stand in the evil day

**Chorus 2**

This is a great mystery, but I am revealing of Messiah and His bride

For this reason, a man shall leave his father and mother

And be joined to his bride, as one

**Bridge:**

The voice of the Bridegroom and the voice of the bride

Shall be heard again in our Land

With gentle submission, protection and strength

I am speaking of Messiah and His Bride

Vs. 4

Now gird your waist with truthfulness

And the breastplate of righteousness

Let your feet be shod, with the gospel of peace

The helmet of salvation and the shield of faith

**Ending:**

Bone of My bones, flesh of My flesh

Taken from My side, formed to be my bride

Bone of My bones, flesh of My flesh

Taken from My heart, she is now a part of me

Bone of My bones, flesh of My flesh

The Father has chosen for His Son, a bride

**Be Thou Renewed**

Ephesians 4:20-5:7

Words and Music by Jill Shannon Copyright © 2023

Vs. 1

You have been taught by the truth in Yeshua

You’ve renounced your former ways, taking off your old nature

That has corrupted through deceitful desires

Vs. 2

Let each one speak the truth, as members of one Body

You feel anger, but do not sin, and give no place to the evil one

Let no corruption proceed from your lips

**Chorus:**

Now, be thou renewed, in your spirit and your mind

And you must put on the garments of the New Man in Christ

And forgive one another, speaking gently with truth

Showing kindness and mercy, as the Lord forgave you

Vs. 3

Do not let the setting sun go down on your anger

Edify, impart His grace, to all those who are hurting

Not showing malice or resentment, put on love

**Bridge:**

And please do not grieve the Holy Spirit

For by Him you’ve been sealed, for the day of redemption

And let all bitterness and wrath be put away

Verse 4

You once walked in darkness, but you are light in Yeshua

Walk as children of the light, searching out how to follow Him

What is acceptable and pleasing to His will

**Chorus 2**

We must imitate the Lord, as dear children, to Him

As our Messiah offered up His life, to atone for our sin

And forgive one another, speaking gently with truth

Showing kindness and mercy, as the Lord forgave you

**Bridge 2**

And now walk in love, as Messiah has loved us

As He gave us Himself, as a fragrant offering

And be tender, and respectful to all

Vs. 5

For the fruit of the Spirit is patience and goodness

Righteousness abides in Him, we refuse deeds of darkness

But expose them, manifest His light each day

**Your First Love**

Eph. 1:13-14; Rev. 1-2; Heb. 4:12-13; Rev. 1:14,16; Rev. 2

Words and Music by Jill Shannon Copyright © 2023

Vs. 1

You have trusted in Yeshua, when you heard the word of truth

You believed the promise and were sealed the Holy Spirit dwelling in you

Verse 2

He’s the guarantee of your inheritance, until He comes to claim His own

When He returns to us, to take His throne

**Chorus:**

Who can know the depths of the human heart

And who can see what we ourselves cannot perceive

His eyes are a flame of fire, who can bear to be exposed

Can we hide from the Presence of the Lord

His Word is the Rock of Truth, a two-edged sword

Vs. 3

My beloved church in Ephesus, I walk among your candle’s flames

You have labored for My people, not growing weary in the fight and pain

You have tested the false apostles, and you discerned their lying ways

As My bride, prepare your hearts for the Bridegroom, His wedding day

**Chorus 2**

But I have this fault against you

You have left your first love, can you remember

The heights from which you fell, repent and return to Me

Or I will come and remove your candle’s flame

Rekindle your first love, and the beauty of My Name

**Bridge**

He who has an ear, let him hear

To him who overcomes, I will give

To eat of the tree of life, bring you to my Paradise

And grant to you My eternal life forever with the Lord

Vs. 4

The deposit of His Spirit is God’s gift to guard your ways

He sends His warnings with His wisdom, and He prepares us for the evil day

The Lord God knows who is pretending, and He perceives who are His own

And all things are laid bare before Him, our hearts and motives are fully known

**In the Wilderness**

Hebrews 4

Words and Music by Jill Shannon Copyright © 2023

Vs. 1

Today if you hear My voice, do not harden your hearts

As you did in the wilderness

I tested you with hunger and thirst

But even in grumbling, I loved you at your worst

From your cruel slavery, I brought you near to Me

With Pillar of Fire, I fought for you, and I set you free

Verse 2

I entered a covenant with you, like a bride in her youth

She would always be faithful

I saw you as an unwanted child

Where no pity was shown, so exposed in the wild

And so I clothed you, and covered you with love

And as you grew, I shined on you, from My light above

**Chorus**

Why was I angry with that generation

I searched among the branches to find fruit

When I saw you, Israel, like grapes in the desert

Like the early fruit on the fig tree and the vine

Vs. 3

Now, why did you go astray, you did not know My ways

And I swore in My anger

You said they shall not enter My rest, they choose not to obey

And they lost their inheritance

There now remains a rest, for you to enter in

We press into this place of rest, prepared by Him

**Bridge**

For the Word of God is strong and alive, sharper than a two-edged sword

Dividing between soul and spirit

Discerning between joints and marrow

His Word will judge our lives, our souls will be preserved by His Word

**Chorus 2**

But where is the faithful resolve in My people

We can easily be moved in fearful times

The Word of God on which you stand, the anchor of your faith

Though you walk through fire, I will have you by the hand

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

All songs written by Jill Shannon, Copyright © 2023

Cover Art: “Our Wedding Crown: *Blossom and Fire of the Eternal Diadem*”

by Nancy DeWind

Graphics by Dave Gerhart

Piano, Keyboards, Acoustic Guitar, Vocals: Jill Shannon

Background Vocals: Jill Shannon, Slayder Betts

Programming, percussion, editing, tracking, mix, mastering: Dave Schonauer

All songs recorded and mixed at MorningStar Studios, Plymouth Meeting, PA

Available on all Digital Distribution sites

To see Jill’s books and cd’s, go to

[www.jillshannon.org](http://www.jillshannon.org) or e-mail: [jill@coffeetalkswithmessiah.com](mailto:jill@coffeetalkswithmessiah.com)