Citizens of heaven

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1 Corinthians 1:5-6

5 that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, 6 even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you,

Revelations 12:11

11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

John 4:25-42

English Standard Version (ESV)

Jesus and the Woman of Samaria

25 The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.” 26 Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.” 27 Just then his disciples came back. They marvelled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you seek?” or, “Why are you talking with her?” 28 So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people,

29 “Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?” 30 They went out of the town and were coming to him. 31 Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, saying, “Rabbi, eat.” 32 But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” 33 So the disciples said to one another, “Has anyone brought him something to eat?” 34 Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work.

35 Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, then comes the harvest’? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. 36 Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. 37 For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ 38 I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.”
Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Saviour of the world."

In this manner, therefore, pray:

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.

Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.

And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

Matthew 5:14 & 16

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."
Ephesians 2:5-6
5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, 6 and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

Philippians 3:20 (AMP)
20 But we are citizens of the state (commonwealth, homeland) which is in heaven, and from it also we earnestly and patiently await [the coming of] the Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah) [as] Savior,

Philippians 3:20 (NKJV)
20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,

Citizenships:
n. 1 The status of a citizen with its attendant duties, rights and privileges
n. 2 The state of being vested with the rights & duties of a citizen

Citizenship: A person owing loyalty to and entitled by birth to naturalization to the protection of a state or nation

2 Corinthians 5:20 (AMP)
20 So we are Christ’s ambassadors, God making His appeal as it were through us. We [as Christ’s personal representatives] beg you for His sake to lay hold of the divine favor [now offered you] and be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20 (NKJV)
20 For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain.
On Earth as it is in Heaven

- Worship

And

- Salvation

Worship
Psalm 22:3
3 But You are holy, Enthroned in the praises of Israel.

1 Kings 8:11
11 so that the priests could not continue ministering because of the cloud; for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD.

On Earth as it is in Heaven

Salvation
Luke 15:7
7 I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.

Luke 15:10
10 Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

On Earth as it is in Heaven

The Keys of Heaven
Math 16:15 - 19
15 He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?”
16 Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”
17 Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. 19 And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

The Keys of Heaven

Love

John12:34-35
34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.
35 By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”
The Keys of Heaven

Obedience

1 John 2:6

Whoever claims to live in Him must walk as Jesus did.

Jesus humbled Himself and become obedient to the point of death

1 Timothy 4:7

7 I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

Matthew 25:21

21 His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

The Lie I believed

God I will only do an outreach if you tell me to go.

Hard realization - He already did that in scripture

The Excuses of Moses

Exodus 3

• 11 But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?”

• 13 Then Moses said to God, “Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they say to me, ‘What is His name?’ what shall I say to them?”

Exodus 4

• 1 Then Moses answered and said, “But suppose they will not believe me or listen to my voice; suppose they say, ‘The LORD has not appeared to you.’”

• 10 Then Moses said to the LORD, “O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither before nor since You have spoken to Your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue.”
The Excuses of Moses
Exodus 4

- 13 But he said, “O my Lord, please send by the hand of whomever else You may send.”

David — was a shepherd that was called to be a King

Moses — stuttered and was called to speak to Pharaoh and command him to let God’s people GO

Amos — was a sheep breeder whom the Lord asked to Prophesy to the people of Israel, because no other profit would bring God’s righteous word.

Acts 4:31 And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

Matthew 9:37-18 37 Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. 38 Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.”