**THANK GOD FOR THE UNSEEN**

**I Peter 1:8-9**

**8** [**Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Peter-1-8/) **9** [**Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Peter-1-9/)

**INTRO:**

**\*\*So often we are thankful for the things we can see:**

1. **People**
2. **Places**
3. **Provisions**

**\*\*But our text says we can rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory over the things we love, yet we cannot see with the natural eye!**

**\*\*I’m glad there are some unseen things in my life that I love and can see through spiritual eyes, yet the world knows nothing about because they cannot see it!**

**\*\*I want to give you three unseen things that I thank God for everyday of my life!**

**I. THANK GOD FOR OUR UNSEEN SALVATION**

**\*\* The world cannot see what salvation has done for you and me!**

 **A. We have Redemption of Our Souls through Salvation**

**Ephesians 1:7** [**In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Ephesians-1-7/)**.**

 **1. The Person – “In Whom” – that’s Jesus!**

 **2. The Possession – “We Have” – I have it!**

 **3. The Power – “redemption through his blood”**

 **B. We have Remission of Our Sins through Salvation \*\*We are Forgiven!**

 **1. The Concept – to remove . . .He removes our sin and shame through forgiveness!**

 **2. The Connection**

**Matthew 26:28** [**For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Matthew-26-28/)**.**

 **3. The Celebration – My Sins are Gone!!**

 **C. We have Revelation of Our Status through Salvation**

 **1. Our Insight**

**Ephesians 1:9 [Having made known unto us the mystery of his will . . .](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Ephesians-1-9/%22%20%5Co%20%22View%20more%20translations%20of%20Ephesians%201%3A9)**

 **2. Our Inclusion**

**Ephesians 1:10** [**That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Ephesians-1-10/)

**\*\*He’ll bring us together!**

 **3. Our Inheritance**

**Ephesians 1:11** [**In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him. who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Ephesians-1-11/)

**\*\*Thank God for an Unseen Salvation!**

**II. THANK GOD FOR OUR UNSEEN STRENGTH**

**\*\*The world cannot see our strength!**

 **A. Because there’s an Unseen Presence**

 **1. The Spirit Accompanies!**

**John 14:18** [**I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-14-18/)**.**

**\*\*He walks with me! He talks with me!**

 **2. The Spirit Abides!**

**John 14:17** [**Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-14-17/)

 **B. Because there’s an Unseen Position**

 **1. We have a Heavenly Connection**

 **John 14:19-20 [Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-14-19/%22%20%5Co%20%22View%20more%20translations%20of%20John%2014%3A19)**

**[more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-14-19/%22%20%5Co%20%22View%20more%20translations%20of%20John%2014%3A19) [At](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-14-20/%22%20%5Co%20%22View%20more%20translations%20of%20John%2014%3A20)**

**[that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-14-20/%22%20%5Co%20%22View%20more%20translations%20of%20John%2014%3A20)**

**[me, and I in you](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-14-20/%22%20%5Co%20%22View%20more%20translations%20of%20John%2014%3A20).**

 **2. We have a Holy Communion**

 **John 14:23 If a man love me, he will keep my words: and**

**my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and**

**make our abode with him.**

 **C. Because There’s an Unseen Peace**

**John 14:27** [**Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-14-27/)

 **1. We have Peace from our Savior**

 **2. We have Peace for our Soul**

**\*\*Thank God for Unseen Strength!**

**III. THANK GOD FOR OUR UNSEEN SAVIOR**

**\*\*The World cannot see our Savior!**

**I Peter 1:8** [**Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Peter-1-8/)

**\*\*We cannot see Him with natural eyes, but we do see Him with spiritual eyes!!**

 **A. He’s Unseen, but not Unreal**

**I Corinthians 5:7** [**(For we walk by faith, not by sight:)**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Corinthians-5-7/)

 **1. His Person is Real to me!**

 **2. His Power is Real to me!**

 **B. He’ Unseen, but not Unknown**

**\*\*God’s children know Him, and thank God He knows us!**

 **1. We’re Known Individually**

**John 10:14** [**I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-10-14/)**.**

 **2. We’re Known Intimately**

**John 10:15 and I lay down my life for the sheep.**

 **C. He’s Unseen, but not Unloved**

 **1. Notice The Cause**

 **I John 4:19** [**We love him, because he first loved us.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-John-4-19/)

 **2. Notice The Course**

 **I John 1:7 we walk in the light, as he is in the light, \*\*Why? Because we love Him!**

 **D. He’s Unseen, but not Unconcerned**

**\*\*Cast all your cares upon Him, because He cares for you!**

 **1. He is Concerned about your Situations!**

 **2. He is Concerned about your Supplies!**

 **E. He’s Unseen, but not Unfaithful**

**\*\*He’ll be faithful to the end and for eternity!**

**\*\*Thank God for an Unseen Savior!**

**CLOSE**

**1. There is so much that this world cannot see, and we cannot see it with our natural eyes.**

**2. Oh, but if they could only see what we can see with our spiritual eyes, they would come to Jesus!**

**3. I see my Salvation, my Strength, and my Savior everyday that I live!!**

**4. Are you thankful for what you can see that the world does not even realize even exists.**

**5. The world really is in their own world . . . their own sinful world.**

**\*\*Why don’t you come and thank God for the Salvation, the Strength, and the Savior that He has shown you?**