

5 Priceless benefits flow from the cross as Christians

1. Forgiveness of sins

Col. 1:13-14 For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Psalm 32:1-2 How blessed is he whose wrongdoing is forgiven, Whose sin is covered!
How blessed is a person whose guilt the LORD does not take into account,
And in whose spirit there is no deceit!

Psalm 86:5 For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive,
And abundant in mercy to all who call up on You.

Matt 16:26 For what good will it do a person if he gains the whole world, but forfeits his soul? Or what will a person give in exchange for his soul?

2. Grace & Mercy

2 Tim. 1:2 Grace, mercy, *and* peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lam. 3:22-23 The LORD'S acts of mercy indeed do not end, For His compassions do not fail. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

Eph. 1:2-8 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, 4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love 5 He predestined us to adoption as sons and daughters through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, with which He favored us in the Beloved. 7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our wrongdoings, according to the riches of His grace 8 which He lavished on us.

3. God hears our prayers

1 Pet 3:12 For the eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous, And His ears attend to their prayer, But the face of the Lord is against evildoers.

Psalm 6:9 The Lord has heard my pleading, The Lord receives my prayer.

Jer. 29:12 Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.

4. Eternal hope

1 Pet. 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead

Titus 3:7 so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life

Col. 1:27 to whom God willed to make known what the wealth of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles is, the mystery that is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

5. God's presence in our lives

John 14:23 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will follow My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our dwelling with him.

Gal. 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.