

## PECULIAR PEOPLE

*Deuteronomy 33:29: Who is like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD*

The benefits that accrue to the account of the redeemed are too numerable to delineate. Believers bask in God's fresh blessings on a daily basis. Oh yes, there are the elements of His "common grace" of which all God's creatures are beneficiaries. Daily sustenance, life and breath, the capacity to enjoy, the pleasures of existence, are but a few of His general provisions of which even the lost partake, but the evident tokens of God's munificent gifts are so apparent in His saints that even the lost are forced to admit it ; "then said they among the heathen, The LORD hath done great things for them."

Even a cursory reading of the scriptures reveals the special care that God demonstrates to His own for "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?" In the midst of famine ,Elijah is tenderly cared for by the Heavenly Father .The ravens, not generally known to have a charitable spirit, became servers at the prophet's table. When the Egyptians were visited with ten plagues, the children of God enjoyed a divine exemption. And even when their back was against the sea, "they passed through the Red sea as by dry land: which the Egyptians assaying to do were drowned." The Philistine champion miscalculated what the Mighty God could do through the weakest saint and a Spirit -guided missile. Peter was able to snore the night before his execution because he knew his God was able to deliver him, for he had once before prayed, while nearly drowning, "Lord, save me". O people saved by the Lord , "let the weak say I am strong"

Psalms 68:19 reminds us: "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation." Chief among those benefits has to be the residing hope of that unseen world that promises us the dissolution of the cursed chains that now bind our bodies to a host of dissipating afflictions. Then our blessed Redeemer shall clothe us with "the garments of salvation" for we "shall see Him as He is" and "sorrow and sighing shall flee away".

Have a blessed day,

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