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"But Jesus answered them, '**My Father works until now, and I am working.**' Therefore the Jews (their rulers) sought even more to kill Him, because He not only had broken the sabbath, but He also said that God was His Father, **making Himself equal with God.** Then answered Jesus and said unto them, '**Truly, truly, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of Himself; but what He sees the Father doing; for whatever things He (the Father) does, these also the Son does likewise.** For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him everything that He does; and He will show Him greater works than these, so that you may marvel.' " (John 5:17-23)

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This attribute of Christ Jesus is clearly an action oriented attribute related to the shared vision and high calling of the Father and Son, in regards to the Salvation of all people who believe and embrace the Good News of Jesus the Messiah. This is a past, present, and future oriented plan of salvation. Also, whatever things the Father does, and the Son likewise does, has very much to do with our own eternal salvation. Just Some of the 'many' shared things and actions that the Father and Son likewise does are as follows:

They each 'gave' believers Love, Peace, and Joy. They each 'gave' us Grace, Mercy, and Forgiveness. They each 'gave' us, Salvation, and Life Everlasting. They each 'gave' us Kindness, Rest, and Righteousness. They each shepherd us; judge us, and Teach us all things that we need for life and holiness. They will give us riches, glory, and an eternal inheritance in the Kingdom of God. They also gave us the Holy Spirit of promise. They each performed Signs, and Wonders, and Miracles!

The Father gave us Forgiveness, and so does Jesus:

Forgiveness: the action or process of forgiving someone of sins, of wrong-doing, of trespasses, etc., by the one who was offended.

"Out of the depths I have cried-out unto You, O LORD. Lord, hear my voice; let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications. If You, LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? **But there is forgiveness with You,** so that You may be feared." (Ps. 130:1-4)

"Bow down Your ear, O LORD, hear me: for I am poor and needy. Preserve my soul; for I am holy. O my God, save Your servant who trust in You. Be merciful unto me, O Lord; for I cry unto You daily. Rejoice the soul of Your servant; for unto You, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. For You, Lord, are good, **and ready to forgive;** and abundant in mercy unto all those who call upon You." (Psalms 86: 1-6)

"When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, '**Son, your sins are forgiven.**' But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts, 'Why does this Man thus speak blasphemies? **Who can forgive sins but God only?**' And immediately when Jesus perceived in His Spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, He said unto them, 'Why do you reason these things in your hearts? What is it easier: to say to the one sick with the palsy, '**Your sins are forgiven;**' or to say, 'Arise, and take up your bed, and walk?....' (Mark 2:5-9)

"This then is the message which we have heard from Him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not do the truth. But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son **cleanses us from all sin.** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, **He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**" (1John 1:5-9)

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"God has exalted Him (Jesus) with His Right Hand to be a Prince and a Savior, so as to give repentance to Israel, **and forgiveness of sins.**" (Acts 5:31)

"Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that **through this man (through Jesus) the forgiveness of sins is preached unto you**" (Acts 13:38)

The Father gave us Salvation, and so does Jesus:

Salvation: God's rescue, and deliverance from condemnation and eternal damnation, and instead into Eternal Life and safety.

"But I will sacrifice unto You with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay what that I have vowed. **Salvation is from the LORD.**" (Jonah 2:9)

"Truly my soul waits upon **God: for my salvation comes from Him.**" (Psalms 62:1)

"But Israel **shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation**: you shall not be ashamed nor confounded, world without end (i.e, forever and ever)." (Isaiah 45:17)

"I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for **the God of my salvation ...**" (Micah 7:7)

"For God has not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we should live together with Him." (I Thessalonians 5:9)

"And being made perfect, **He (Jesus) became the Author (Source) of Eternal Salvation unto all those who obey Him.**" (Hebrews 5:9)

"So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto those who look for him shall He appear the second time without sin **unto salvation.**" (Hebrews 9:28)

Nor is there salvation in any other (speaking of Jesus); for there is no other name under heaven given among men, **by which we must be saved.**" (Acts 4:12)

The Father gives us Life, Life Everlasting, Eternal Life; and so does Jesus:

Life Everlasting: living forever with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in His Eternal Kingdom.

I John 5:11: And this is the record, that **God has given to us Eternal Life**, and **this Life is in His Son (Jesus).**"

"For the wages of sin is death; **but the gift of God is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ our Lord.**" (Romans 6:23)

"**He who believes on the Son has Everlasting Life**; but he who does not believe the Son shall not see Life; but the wrath of God abides on him." (John 3:36)

"Truly, truly, I say unto you, He who hears My word, and believes on Him (the Father) who sent Me, **has Everlasting Life**, and shall not come into condemnation; but has passed from death **unto Life.**" (John 5:24)

"Do not Labor for food which perishes, but for the food **which endures unto Everlasting Life, which the Son of Man shall give unto you**: for on Him has God the Father has set His seal." (John 6:27)

"And this is the will of Him (the Father) who sent Me, **that everyone who beholds the Son, and believes on Him, may have Everlasting Life**: and I will raise him (them) up at the last day. ... truly, truly, I say unto you, 'He who believes on Me has Everlasting Life.'
(John 6:40, 47)

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The Father gave us Kindness, and so does Jesus:

Kindness: the action of reaching out and generously helping someone in their needs.

"In a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment; but with **Everlasting Kindness** I will have Mercy on you, says the LORD your Redeemer." ... For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; **but My Kindness shall not depart from you**, nor shall **the Covenant of My Peace** be removed, says the LORD who has **Mercy** on you." (Isaiah 54:8-10)

"O praise the LORD, all you nations: praise Him, all you people. **For his Merciful Kindness is great toward us**: and the truth of the LORD endures forever. Praise you the LORD." (Psalm 117:1-2)

The Father "has raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus; so that in the ages to come **He might show the exceeding Riches of His grace in His Kindness toward us through Christ Jesus**. For by Grace are you are saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2:6-8)

The Father gives us Rest, and so does Jesus:

Rest: freedom from fear, worry, stress, etc.; and getting calmness, peacefulness, un-hindered trust, etc..

"Thus says the LORD, 'Stand you in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk therein, **and you shall find rest for your souls**.' But they said, 'We will not walk therein.' Also I set watchmen over you, saying, 'Hearken to the sound of the trumpet.' But they said, 'We will not hearken.' " (Jeremiah 6:16-17)

"But fear not, O My servant Jacob, and be not dismayed, O Israel; for behold, I will save you from afar off, and your seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, **and be in rest and at ease**, and no one shall make him afraid." (Jeremiah 46:27)

Jesus said, "Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, **and I will give you rest**. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: **and you shall find rest unto your souls**. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light." (Matthew 11:28-30)

The Father gave us Righteousness, and so does Jesus:

Righteousness: the state of life and living where someone is acceptable before and by God.

"He restores my soul; **He leads me in the paths of Righteousness** for His name's sake." (Psalms 23:3)

"He who has clean hands, and a pure heart; and who has not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully; he shall receive the blessing from the LORD, **and Righteousness from the God of his salvation**." (Psalms 24:4-5)

"But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon those who fear Him, **and His righteousness** is unto children's children; and to those who keep His covenant and remember to do His commandments" (Psalms 103:17-18)

"But now **the righteousness of God** apart from the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law; **even the righteousness of God which is by faith in Jesus Christ** unto all those who believe; for there is no difference: For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; whom God has set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, **to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past**, through the forbearance of God; to declare at this time **His righteousness; so that He might be just, and the justifier of those who believe in Jesus**." (Romans 3:21-26)

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“For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and **it was counted unto him for righteousness**. ... But to him who does not work, but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, **his faith is counted for righteousness**,” (Romans 4:3-5)

“For if by one man's offense death reigned by one (speaking of Adam); much more they who receive abundance of grace **and of the gift of righteousness** shall reign in Life by One (even Jesus Christ). Therefore as by the offense of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; **even so by the righteousness of One the free gift came upon all men unto justification of Life**. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, **even so by the obedience of One (Jesus) shall many be made righteous**” (Romans 5:17-19)

“What shall we say then? That the Gentiles (non Jews), who followed not after righteousness, **have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith**. But Israel, who followed after the law of righteousness, has not attained to the law of righteousness. Why? Because **they did not seek it by faith**, but as it were by the works of the law.” (Romans 9:30-32)

“For they were ignorant of God's righteousness, and went about to establish their own righteousness, having not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. **For Christ is the end of the law for Righteousness to everyone who believes**.” (Romans 10:3-4)

“Therefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. And all things are of God, who has **reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ**, and has given to us the ministry of reconciliation; that is to say: that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and has committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us. We pray you in Christ's stead, that you be reconciled to God. For He has made Him (Jesus) to be sin for us, who knew no sin; **so that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him (in Jesus)**.” (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)

“But whatever things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Indeed I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord; for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, so that I may win Christ, and be found in Him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, **but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith**; so that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformed unto His death.” (Philippians 3:7-10)

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: From now onward, there is laid up for me **a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day**: and not to me only, but also unto all those who have loved His appearing.” (II Timothy 4:8)

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Always and always, for us Their Forgiveness, Salvation, and Eternal Life forever!!

Forever and ever, Their wonderful Rest for our souls!!

Everlasting Righteousness, for us, which comes from God through our Faith in Jesus!!

Their merciful and great Kindness which will never depart from us!!

Thank You Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for Your eternal Forgiveness of our sins!!!

Thank you Jesus for our Salvation that we have through Your death on the Cross!

Lord Jesus, I am looking forward to spending eternity with You in Your Kingdom!

Amen! and Amen!