



You Brought Us Out to Rich Fulfillment

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Introduction

- “We went through fire and through water; But You brought us out to rich fulfillment.” (Ps. 66:12)
- What has He brought us out of and filled us with?

1. Out of the Self (Ego)

- Eve's fall was a fall of the Ego
 - “For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” (Gen. 3:5)
- All sin is selfish
- “Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin.” (Jn. 8:34)
- EX: St. John the Baptist
 - And they [Jews] came to John and said to him, “Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have testified—behold, He is baptizing, and all are coming to Him!” (Jn. 3:26)
 - “He must increase, but I must decrease.” (Jn. 3:30)

2. Out from being a shameful street girl to a beautiful bride of Christ.

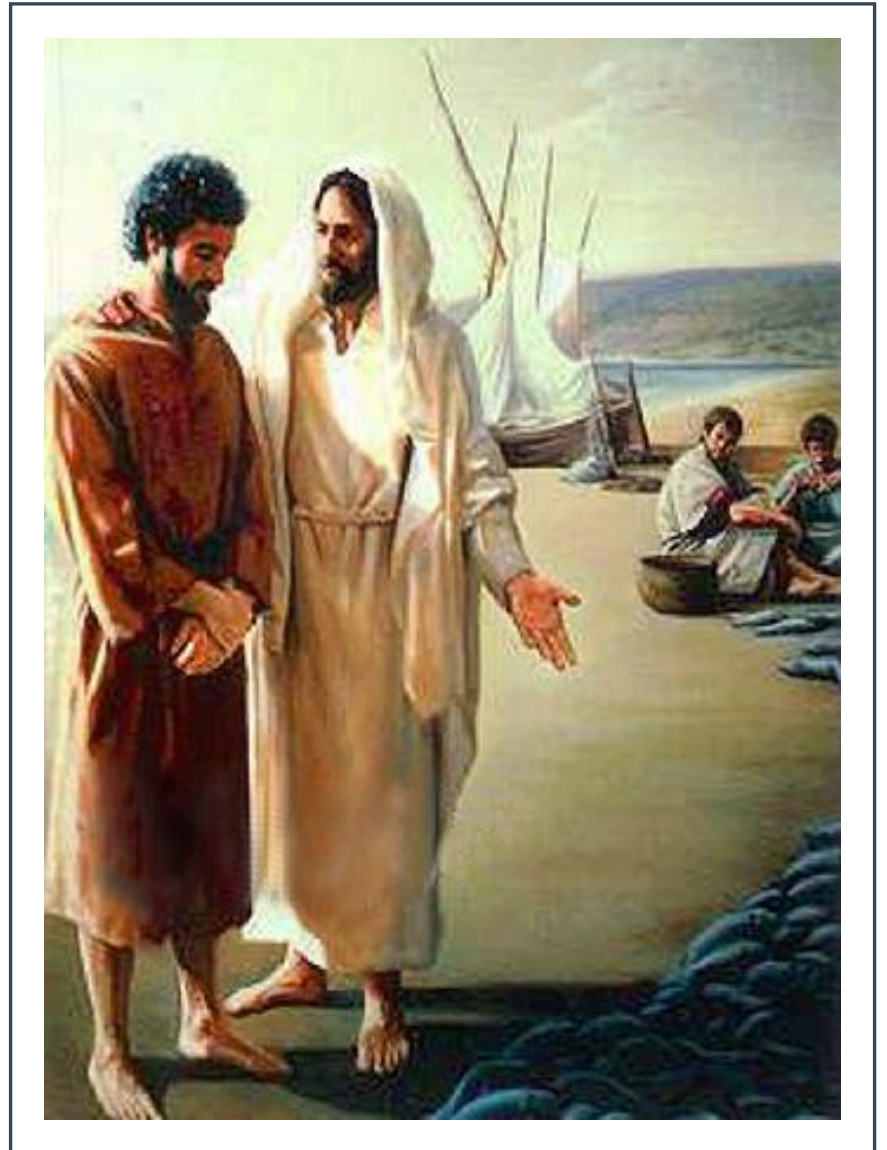
- Ezekiel 16:6-14
- "And when I passed by you and saw you struggling in your own blood, I said to you in your blood, 'Live!' Yes, I said to you in your blood, 'Live!' 7 I made you thrive like a plant in the field; and you grew, matured, and became very beautiful. Your breasts were formed, your hair grew, but you were naked and bare.
- 8 "When I passed by you again and looked upon you, indeed your time was the time of love; so I spread My wing over you and covered your nakedness. Yes, I swore an oath to you and entered into a covenant with you, and you became Mine," says the Lord GOD.

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- Ezekiel 16:6-14
- 9 "Then I washed you in water; yes, I thoroughly washed off your blood, and I anointed you with oil. 10 I clothed you in embroidered cloth and gave you sandals of badger skin; I clothed you with fine linen and covered you with silk. 11 I adorned you with ornaments, put bracelets on your wrists, and a chain on your neck. 12 And I put a jewel in your nose, earrings in your ears, and a beautiful crown on your head. 13 Thus you were adorned with gold and silver, and your clothing was of fine linen, silk, and embroidered cloth. You ate pastry of fine flour, honey, and oil. You were exceedingly beautiful, and succeeded to royalty. 14 Your fame went out among the nations because of your beauty, for it was perfect through My splendor which I had bestowed on you," says the Lord GOD.

3. Out from the burden of sin (guilt) to give us the richness of His forgiveness

- EX: David
- **“For I am conscious of my iniquity; and my sin is at all times before me.” (Ps. 50)**
- EX: St. Peter when he denied Christ



4. Out from
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- “And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth...For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.”
(Jn. 1:14,17)

5. Out from eternal death to the richness of eternal life

- “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Rom. 6:23)
- “Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!” (Jn. 1:29)
- “He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life...” (Jn. 3:36)

Summary

The Lord Jesus Christ came to bring us out to rich fulfillment.

1. Out of the Self (Ego)
2. Out from being a shameful street girl (because of our sin) to a beautiful bride of Christ.
3. Out from the burden of sin (guilt) to give us the richness of His forgiveness
4. Out from lies to the riches of the truth
5. Out from eternal death to the richness of eternal life