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The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

2 Cor. 13:14 May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. (NIV)

Paul concludes his second letter to the church in Corinth with this very important blessing. We see that he is giving a three-fold blessing from a triune God. From Jesus, we receive the grace of God when we deserved His punishment for our sins. Jesus paid the total price that was due for every sin that has and ever will be committed. That means we have been set free from the bondage of sin and that we can live in the forgiveness of those sins.

Secondly, we are blessed by the love of God. This love is greater and deeper than any other love could ever be. It is complete. It is incomprehensible. It is never-ending. It is unconditional. It is perfect in every way. Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you? And he always will. There is nothing that you could ever do to make Him stop loving you. This leads us to the third blessing, the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. I like to say it like this: fellowship is two people in one ship. To go the same direction, we must be working together, not against each other. The Holy Spirit leads us and guides us and encourages us. He will always be there with us to work in us and with us. And as we have fellowship with Him, then we will all have fellowship with each other. We will have the same mind and heart that has a propensity to follow the Savior. ***1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son, purifies us from all sin. (NIV)***

Dear LORD, we call upon Your Holy Name and ask that You will help us live with the grace of Jesus flowing from us; with Your love flowing through us; and fellowship with the Holy Spirit empowering us. In Jesus Name, Amen