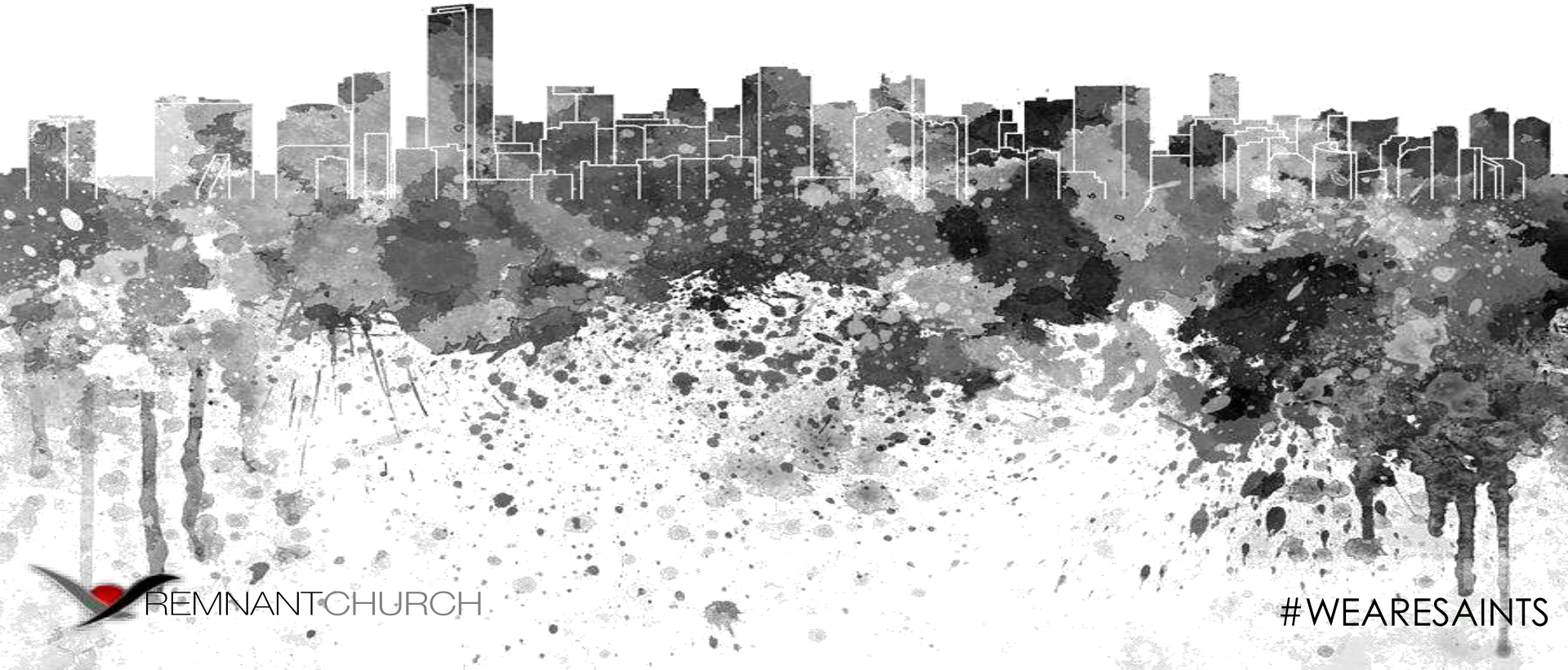


Saints

ORDINARY PEOPLE WITH EXTRAORDINARY PURPOSE



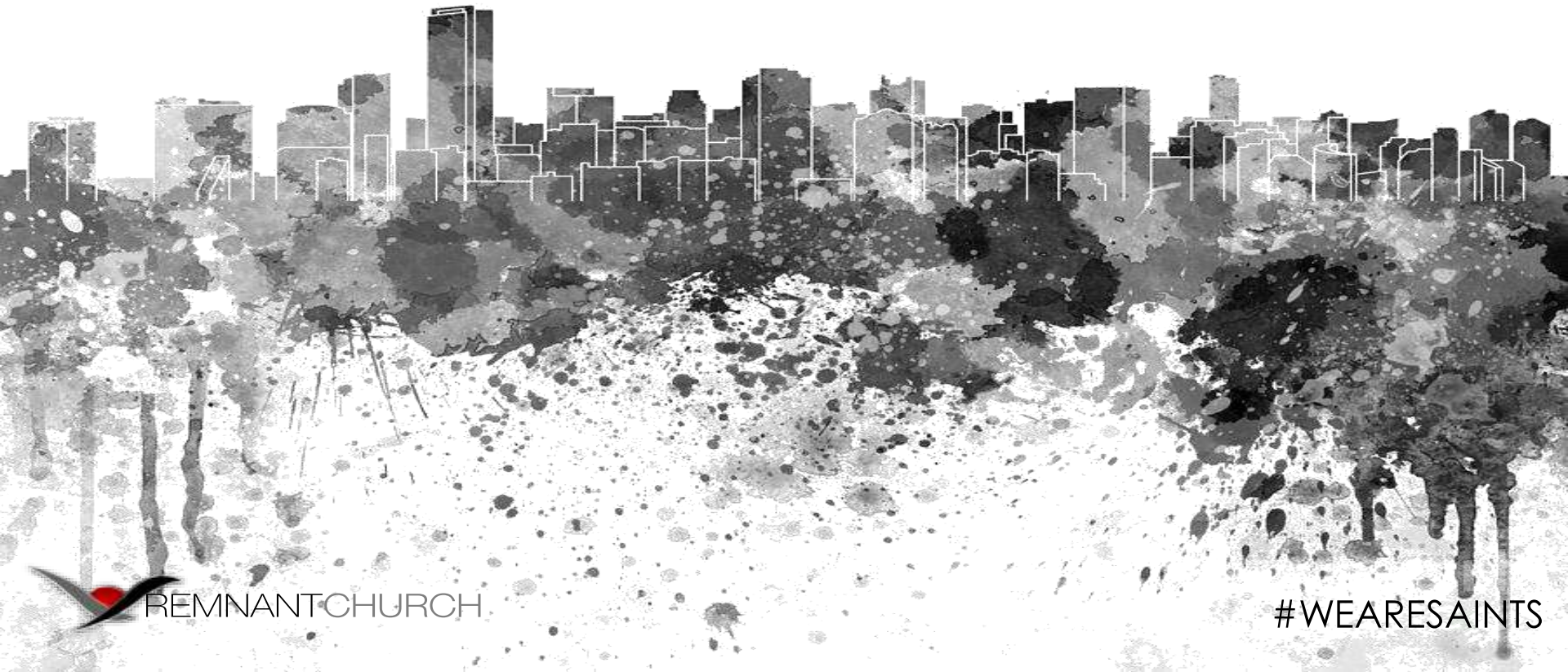
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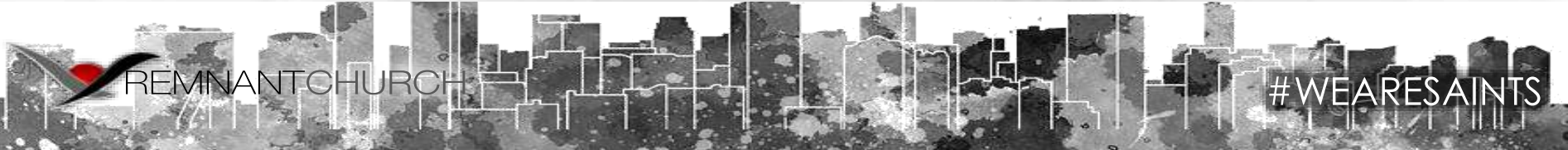
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In love ⁵ he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will— ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.



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***Many Christians have an
identity crisis.***



Isaiah 40:31

but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.



We Are Saints

Ephesians 1:1-2

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We Are Saints

Ephesians 2:19-20

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.



We Are Saints

1 Corinthians 15:9

For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God



We Are Saints

***We are not saved because we are
"faithful," rather, we are "faithful"
because we are truly saved!***



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We Are Saints

Ephesians 1:3

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.



We Are Saints

***If grace is the fountain,
peace is the stream.***



We Are Blessed

Ephesians 1:3

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.



We Are Blessed

Matthew 19:17

No one is good but One, that is, God.



We Are Blessed

Psalm 37:25

I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread.



We Are Blessed

"He that gives us heaven will surely give us all that is needful on the road to there."



We Are Blessed

God has made us eagles now!



We Are Blessed

**We ask
for
love...**

Romans 5:5

And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit



We Are Blessed

**We ask
for
peace...**

John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.



We Are Blessed

***We pray
for joy and
happiness...***

John 15:11

I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.



We Are Blessed

***God has
given us
everything
we need to
live for Him!***

2 Peter 1:3

His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.



We Are Blessed

***God has
given us
everything
we need to
live for Him!***

2 Peter 1:3 (The Message)

Everything that goes into a life of pleasing God has been miraculously given to us by getting to know, personally and intimately, the One who invited us to God. The best invitation we ever received!



We Are Blessed

Ephesians 2:6

And God raised us up with Christ
and seated us with him in the
heavenly realms in Christ Jesus



We Are Chosen

**God chose us in
Christ**

Romans 10:13

Everyone who calls
on the name of the
Lord will be saved.



We Are Chosen

**God chose us in
Christ**

Mark 16:15

He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.



We Are Chosen

**God chose us in
Christ**

John 6:44

No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him,



We Are Chosen



We Are Chosen

**God chose us from
the beginning**

Ephesians 1:4

For he chose us in him
before the creation
of the world to be
holy and blameless in
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We Are Chosen

**God chose us to
be holy**

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We Are Chosen

**God chose us to
be holy**

***Although we may not
always achieve it, a
Christian wants a life
of holiness and
blamelessness.***



We Are Adopted

Ephesians 1:4-5

For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love ⁵ he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—



We Are Adopted

Ephesians 1:4-5 (The Message)

Long before he laid down earth's foundations, he had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of his love, to be made whole and holy by his love. ⁵ Long, long ago he decided to adopt us into his family through Jesus Christ. (What pleasure he took in planning this!)



We Are Adopted

**We are adopted
because of His
love**

Romans 8:15

The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father”



We Are Adopted

**We are adopted
through His
predetermined
plan**

Ephesians 1:4-5

In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will



We Are Adopted

**We are adopted
for His pleasure**

Ephesians 1:4-5

In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will



We Are Adopted

**We are adopted
for His pleasure**

***It pleased the
Lord to bring us
into His family.***



We Are Adopted

**We are adopted
to praise Him**

Ephesians 1:6

to the praise of his
glorious grace, which he
has freely given us in the
One he loves.



We Are Adopted

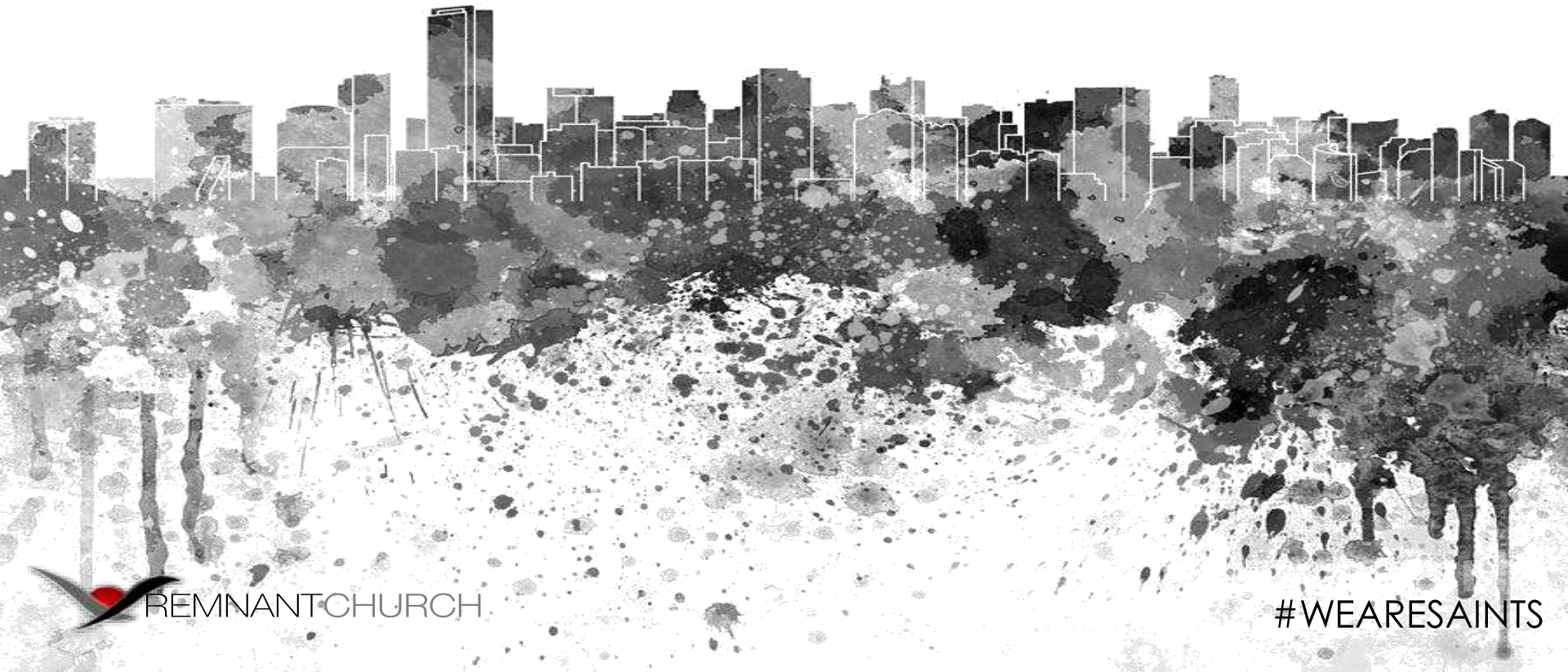
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***The fact that we
deserve nothing, but
God has graced us
with "every spiritual
blessing" brings
praise to His name.***



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