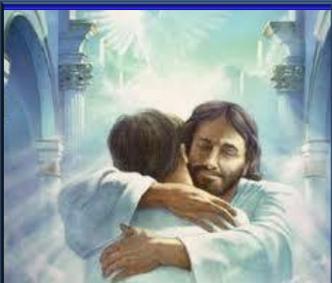


"You Are Made New In Christ - Born Of God!"

When you accepted Jesus as your Lord and savior and believed upon Him, you became a new creation in Christ. God's Word tells us that this new man is created in righteousness and true holiness: Ephesians 4:24, "**And to clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.**" We aren't just born again, but we have also become sons (and daughters) of God: John 1:12-13 "**But to all who received Him, who believed in His name, He gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.**" So what happened to the old-you? The old you was crucified with Christ. God didn't repair the old-you, He created a new-you in Christ, which is what the Bible refers to when talking about being "**Born Again**": John 3:5-7, "**Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.'**" Galatians 2:20, "**And it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ Who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.**"

"He Calls Us His Beloved"



"See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him. **Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is.**" (1 John 3:1-2 ESV)

One of my favorite words in the Bible is the word "**Beloved.**" It doesn't appear in every version, but I think it's a correct word for a key principle God is trying to teach us about His kind of love. Often one of the hardest things for a person to do is to accept unconditional love. Perhaps it's because the world is so void of that kind of love. The world often displays a love that is contingent on the recipient's behavior or form of repayment of the love. It is a give and take kind of love...a "**you scratch my back, I'll scratch yours**" kind of trade-off for love. **The word beloved in the previous verse literally means "beloved, esteemed, dear, favorite, worthy of love". It's a word indicating an action on the part of the one doing the loving. The God of the universe, the same God who paints a sunset, shapes a mountain and plans the waves at the beach, has chosen to love us, not because of who we are, but because of who He is. Our role in this is to BE-LOVED.**

"The Blood Of Christ That Makes Us Worthy"

"Worthy Is The Lamb Who Was Slain." Rev. 5:12
 'The Power To Make Us Worthy Is In His Blood'



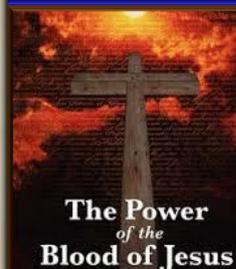
When we don't realize who we are in Christ, our faith will be crippled. If you don't feel worthy to exercise your authority in Christ, then you won't be doing it in the fullness of faith and will lack assurance. Satan works diligently to program people's minds to feel unworthy and unable to

walk in power of God here on earth. This is one of the most popular strongholds in existence today in the body of Christ! **The truth is that we, by our own power and effort, are unworthy, but it is the Blood of Christ that makes us worthy. And if we say we are unworthy when the Blood says we are, then we are denying the work that Christ did for us on the cross!**

"Your Identity Is Reveled His Word "

One elementary subject that most Christians still don't fully understand, and it is a powerful key to spiritual breakthrough for countless believers around the globe today! **Don't believe you're just an old forgiven sinner just because someone tells you so. Look these things up in the Word of God for yourself and know the truth. For Jesus said clearly that if we continue in His Word, we will know the truth and the truth will set us free! John 8:32, "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."** **The opposite of truth is deception or false beliefs... and will cause you to live in bondage unnecessarily. This subject is no exception. If you see yourself as a failure, you will not be able to boldly exercise your authority in Christ because you will feel unworthy (even after the Blood of Christ has made you worthy). If you claim to be unworthy after the Blood of Christ has made you worthy, then you are denying the work of Christ in your life! We need to say to ourselves, "I am worthy, because JESUS' Blood has made me worthy!"**

"You Are Loved By God The Father"



This one may be hard to get your mind around, but it is true. **God loves us with the same love that He had towards Jesus Himself! Look at this passage in scripture: John 17:23, "I in them and You in Me – so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that You sent Me and have loved them even as 'You have loved Me'."** You are loved by God, not because of what you've done, but because of who you are. The Bible tells us that while we

were yet sinners, Christ died for us. He longed to have a relationship with you even before you became His child! Romans 5:8, "**But God commanded His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**"

"Not Greater Love"



Jesus said that the greatest love a man can show for his friends, is when he lays down his life for them. Jesus laid down His life for us - that is how valuable and dear we are to Him! John 15:13, "**Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.**" As a matter of fact, if we don't

realize the love of God, we cannot be filled with the fullness of God. We will lack His fullness in our lives until we come to know, understand and comprehend His deep love for us: Ephesians 3:17-19, "**So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge - that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.**" Seeing how righteous we are because of Jesus, not how sinful we are because of the fall, will build our faith and increase our love for God and cause us to want to please Him all the more.

"We Are Justified And Declared Innocent"

If you have repented of your sins and accepted the gift of God, referring to the forgiveness of sins through the precious shed Blood of Christ, then God's Word tells us that we are justified: Galatians 2:16, "**Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.**" The word justified in the above passage is derived from the Greek word dikaiōo, which means, "**to render (that is, show or regard as) just or innocent: - free, justify, be righteous.**" If a person is justified, it means they are made innocent or made just as if they have never sinned!

"We Are Entitled To A Clean Conscience"

Since our sins have been put away and removed from us, and we are justified, that is, made right with God, you and I are entitled to a clean and un-defiled conscience! Hebrews 9:14, "**How much more shall the blood of Christ, Who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?**" My friend, if you are still beating yourself up over your past failures which have been nailed to the cross, you are denying the work that Christ has done for you! A clean conscience before the Lord agrees with what Christ has done in removing their sin and

declaring them as justified or innocent before the Lord. Your sins are no longer a part of you. The truth is that your sins have not simply been covered, but actually removed from your account. This was not possible in the Old Testament, but through the precious Blood of Christ, the removal of sins is a reality. John 1:29, "**The next day John saw Jesus coming towards him and said, 'Look, the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world!'**" Matthew 26:28, "**For this is My blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.**" And if forgiving us wasn't enough, God Himself chose to FORGET our failures for His own sake. When He sees us, He doesn't want to remember our failures, He wants to see us as His precious child who stands blameless before Him: Hebrews 10:17, "And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more." We need to stop reminding God of sin we have already repented of. We need to receive His forgiveness and His Unfailing Love.

"We Have Peace With God"

We have been justified and made right with God, therefore we have peace with God. This means that your relationship with God has been restored and you can boldly enter His presence with a clean conscience because of your faith in Christ Jesus and the work that He's done for us on the cross. Romans 5:1, "**Therefore being justified by faith, we have 'Peace' with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.**"

"We Are Clothed With The Righteousness Of Jesus"



As believers in Christ, there is a great exchange that has taken place. One of the things exchanged is our sin for Jesus' own righteousness. Let's take a look at a few scriptures: Romans 3:22, "**Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference.**" Romans 3:25, "**Whom God**

put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by His Blood, effective through faith. He did this to show His righteousness, because in His divine forbearance He had passed over the sins previously committed; "Romans 5:17, "**If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the 'Free Gift Of Righteousness' exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.**" Jesus received what we deserved (punishment for our sins), and He gave us His righteousness in exchange! **"You Are Made New In Christ - Born Of God!"**

God's Word tells us that we are new creatures in Christ, old things having passed away and all things have become new: 2 Corinthians 5:17, "**So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!**" Begin To See Yourselves As God Sees YOU!