

Becoming a New Creation, pt. 2

Walking in Newness of Life /// 9AM

I. All Died in Christ's death

2 Corinthians 5:14-15, 17 For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; 15 and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.... 17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

A. If One died, then all died – When Jesus was put on the cross I too was put on the cross with Him. If I accept His substitutionary death for me, I died with Him.

B. Since I accept that I died with Him, I now live my life for him, instead of myself.

C. Through this exchange I trade my life, which was dead in sin, for His life, which is fully alive. In this exchange, I become a new creation. My Spirit becomes new - raised with Jesus.

II. We no longer have to live in sin

Romans 6:1-3, 5-14 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? ... 5 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, 6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. 7 For he who has died has been freed from sin. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, 9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. 10 For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. 11 Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. 12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. 13 And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. 14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

A. We must therefore reckon(consider, conclude) ourselves dead to sin.

- B. And as a result we are not to let sin reign in us
- C. We are not to present our bodies to sin, but present ourselves to God
- D. We are to present our bodies as instruments of righteousness
- E. Sin shall not have dominion over you because of the power of grace

Gal 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in (obedience to) the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

III. Put off the Old Man, Live in the New Man

Colossians 3:1-5 If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. 5 Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry...8 But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. 9 Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, 10 and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

- A. Since you are raised, seek those things above
- B. Set your mind on things above
- C. Put to death the deeds of the flesh
- D. Live in the new man that you are

Ephesians 4:22-24 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, 23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

- E. Put off the old man
- F. Be renewed in the spirit of your mind
- G. Put on the new man – created in true righteousness and holiness

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IV. The Power that Works in Us

Ephesians 3:14-20 For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, 16 that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, 17 that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height— 19 to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. 20 Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,

- A. Strengthened with might through His Spirit in your inner man
- B. Christ may dwell in your heart through faith
- C. Be rooted and grounded in love, comprehending all the dimensions of love
- D. That you be filled with all the fullness of God
- E. He is able to do exceedingly, abundantly above all we can ask or think
- F. According to the power that works in us

V. Treasure in Earthen Vessels

2 Corinthians 3:7-11 But if the ministry of death, written and engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away, 8 how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious? 9 For if the ministry of condemnation had glory, the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory. 10 For even what was made glorious had no glory in this respect, because of the glory that excels. 11 For if what is passing away was glorious, what remains is much more glorious.

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2 Corinthians 4:6-7 For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.