



The New Creation in Christ

*Therefore if anyone is in Christ,
he is a new creature; the old things passed away;
behold, new things have come.*

2 Corinthians 5:17

Born Anew

In Newness of Life, I am...

FIRST BORN ...

The first delivered out of the fall.

When John saw Jesus glorified, he fell at His feet as dead . . . Jesus said, "I am He who lives and was dead, and behold I am alive forevermore . . ." Not merely "I live," but I have life, and am the source of it to my people. Rev 1:17-18

... of many brethren
 imparted to the believer.
 The law of reproduction "after
 its kind". Genesis

Born Anew New Life in Christ



A Different Beginning . . .
 In Newness of Life
 Romans 6:4c

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| Healed
I Peter 2:24 | Forgiven
I John 2:12 | the Righteousness of God
II Corinthians 5:21 |
| Accepted
Ephesians 1:6 | Clothed with Christ
Romans 13:14 | Joined to Christ
Romans 7:4 |
| Reconciled
Romans 5:11 | a New Creation
II Corinthians 5:17 | Heir of Salvation
James 2:5 |
| am Perfect
Hebrews 10:14 | a Heavenly Citizen
Philippians 3:20 | Freed from the Law
Romans 7:6 |
| Justified
Romans 5:1 | Born from Above
John 1:12-13 | am God's Beloved
II Thessalonians 2:13 |
| a King
Revelation 1:8 | Child of God
John 1:12 | Alien and Sojourner
I Peter 2:11 |
| Glorified
Colossians 3:4 | Dead to Sin
Romans 6:11-14 | Partaker of the Divine Nature
II Peter 1:4 |
| a Saint
Psalm 16:3 | Redeemed
Ephesians 1:7 | In the world but not of it
John 17:14-16 |
| a Holy Nation
I Peter 2:5 | | God's Workmanship
Ephesians 2:10 |

"In direct proportion to the growing realization of the identity of the Person of Jesus the Son of God, in direct proportion to your realization of all of who He is, in that ratio you come to really know who you are and what your destiny is." Jack Hayford

An Excerpt from Alive for the First Time
by David Needham

"God tells us we are alive in a way we have never been before. That we have value, beauty, and a preciousness which lifts us above all earthly measurements. He encourages us to look deep within at His workmanship and make that unexpected discovery of passion for Him and a holiness that will set us free to be ourselves - free to live and to love. He invites us to believe the unbelievable about the miracles He has performed in us that enable us to say enthusiastically 'Ye!' to Him and 'Yes' to life, while at the same time saying 'Yes' to who we most deeply are.

Could it be that the major reason for the indifference, the epidemic occurrences of moral shipwreck in our evangelical churches, and the shattering of Christian homes is because we have seen ourselves as nothing more than 'Christian' forgiven sinners - failing to be what we should be, because we cannot stop being what we think we are?

May we trust that God in His patience will awaken His church to the implications of the bigness of the miracles by which we have become the children of God, the shares of His life - His joy, His purity, His love, His passion, His peace - in a most mysterious fellowship of the saints which reveals, as nothing else has or ever will, the wonder of the glory of God."

Christian, do you know who you really are?

Suggested Reading for Deepening These Truths:

The Holy Bible: John 3; Romans 6-8; Galatians 1-3; Colossians 1-3; 1 John 1-3

Alive for the First Time by David Needham

The Principles of Position by Miles Stanford