

# How Do You Know Him?

2nd Corinthians 5:17

# Chapter 5 Unimpressed With Paul

The church at Corinth saw him as:

- -weak
- -bad speaker
- -unimpressive presense
- -not to be preferred (2 Cor 10:10, 11:6; 1 Cor 1:17)

# 2 Corinthians 5:15-16 NKJV

[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. [16] Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer.

# 2 Corinthians 5:17-18 NKJV

[17] Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. [18] Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation,

## 2 Corinthians 5:19 NKJV

[19] that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

# 2 Corinthians 5:20-21 NKJV

[20] Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. 21 For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

## 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 NKJV

[9] Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, 10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

## 1 Corinthians 6:11 NKJV

[11] And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God

#### Christians Who Are In Christ

- -We are no longer condemned, adopted.
- -We are born again.
- -We know Christ according to the Spirit.
- -We are indwelled with the Holy Spirit.
- -It is no longer us who live, but Christ who lives in us.
  - (1 Pet 5:14; Phil 1:1; Rom 8:1; 2 Cor 5:17)

#### Galatians 3:26-28 NKJV

[26] For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. [27] For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. [28] There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

## Galatians 3:20 NKJV

[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 the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

# In Christ = Born Again = New Creation

- -You must be born again to see the kingdom of God.
- -You must be born of water and of the Spirit to enter the kingdom of God. (John 3, Romans 8)

## John 3:16-17 NKJV

[16] For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved]

## How Do I Know If I Am Born Again?

- -Have you believed on Jesus as Lord?
- -True belief has action: Response to conviction, repentance, living for Jesus.
- -Is their any fruit of the Spirit?
- -Do you love God and others and desire to keep His commands?
- -Are you led of the Spirit and not the flesh?

## How Do I Know If I Am Born Again?

- -Does the Spirit bear witness that you are a child of God?
- -Do you see sin as slavery?
- -Has your hearts desires been increasingly changed to Godly desires?
  - (Rom 5:12, 6:18, 8:14-16, 10:9-10; Jm 1:15; Jh 3,
- 8:34-36; Matt 16:24-26; Ez 36:26; Ps 37:4; Phil
- 3:8-21; Eph 2:1-10; Gal 5;16&26; 1 Jh 2)

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