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The Grace of God Revealed

Lesson 9 God's Grace Revealed in the Believer's Identity April 15, 2024

Stage 4 - The Results of the Eternal plan of redemption.

Every human born with a fallen spiritual identity or DNA. We have no power to change it. But God does and He did for all of us who believe.

Romans 6:6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.

Who does God say we are?

We are no longer enemies of God but children.

Galatians 4:7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Our spiritual DNA could only be changed by GOD!

That is what God does for us spiritually when we by faith are born again. God removes the Old Adam and gives us new life in Christ.

External changes is not what makes us righteous. It's being made a new creation by God that makes us righteous.

Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ. It is <u>no longer I who live</u>, but 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.

Colossians 3:9-10 Do not lie to one another, since you have <u>put off the old man</u> with his deeds, and have <u>put on the new man</u> who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

Colossians 2:13-14 And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, <u>God made alive together with him</u>, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

2 Corinthians 5:17-18 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a <u>new creation</u>. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;

God crucified, destroyed, eradicated, removed our old fallen spiritual DNA and the identity that went with it. Positionally this is who we are now.

Unfortunately we often still identify ourselves with the old sin nature and do things that resemble the sin nature. The first step in correcting our identity issues is knowing who we are in Christ. What has changed? DNA

Old Man/Fallen Nature	New Man
Given to us by Adam	Given to us by Jesus
Born dead to God	Reborn alive to God
Born Enemies of God	Made the Children of God
Made us Sinful	Makes us Righteous
Born with the Lucifer Mindset. Cannot experience fellowship with God.	Given the Mind of Christ. Able to fellowship and commune with the Godhead.
Born without God, without an inheritance, without the Holy Spirit, and without any future hope.	God is our loving Heavenly Father Who promises us EVERY spiritual blessing, and eternal inheritance, and an inexhaustible hope that is beyond our comprehension.
Physical death leads to Eternal Death/Separation	Physical death leads to Eternal Life/into God's Presence.

We are Created new in Him by grace

Ephesians 4:24 and to <u>put on the new self</u>, (this is done by knowledge and faith) created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

Colossians 3:9-10 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have <u>put on the new self</u>, which is being renewed in <u>knowledge</u> after the image of its creator.

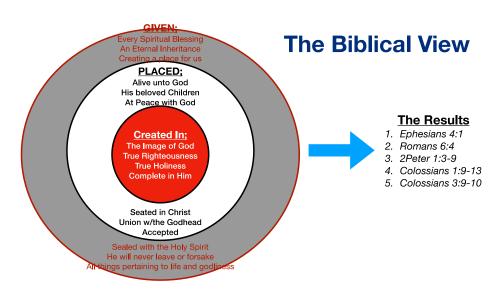
Placed into Christ - Heirs and children

Galatians 4:4-7 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive <u>adoption as sons</u>. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are <u>no longer a slave, but a son</u>, and if a son, then <u>an heir</u> through God.

John 17:20-23 I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, <u>I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one</u>, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

Ephesians 1:5-6 he predestined us for adoption to himself <u>as sons</u> through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

What are the results of our new identity?



Ephesians 4:1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to <u>walk in a manner worthy</u> <u>of the calling to which you have been called</u>,

Romans 6:4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might <u>walk in</u> <u>newness of life</u>.

2 Peter 1:3-9 His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the <u>knowledge of him</u> who called us to his own glory and excellence, by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, <u>having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.</u> For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.

Colossians 1:9-14 And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to <u>walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him:</u> bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; giving thanks to <u>the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.</u> He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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More things that we have received. Our new identity.

John 16:14-15 He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that <u>he will take what is mine and declare it</u> to you.

1 Corinthians 2:11-12 For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. <u>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.</u>

Romans 8:15-17 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of <u>adoption as sons</u>, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and <u>fellow heirs with Christ</u>, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.