

11. *Why should I ever be in bondage knowing that there is freedom where the Spirit of the Lord is (2 Corinthians 3:17)?*
12. *Why should I feel condemned when the Bible says there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus (Romans 8:1)?*
13. *Why should I feel alone when Jesus said He is with me always and He will never leave me nor forsake me (Matthew 28:20; Hebrews 13: 5)?*
14. *Why should I feel as if I'm cursed or have bad luck when the Bible says that Christ rescued me from the curse of the law that I might receive His Spirit by faith (Galatians 3:13, 14)?*
15. *Why should I be unhappy when I, like Paul, can learn to be content whatever the circumstances (Philippians 4:11)?*
16. *Why should I feel worthless when Christ became sin for me so that I might become the righteousness of God (2 Corinthians 5:21)?*
17. *Why should I feel helpless in the presence of others when I know that if God is for me, who can be against me (Romans 8:31)?*
18. *Why should I be confused when God is the author of peace and He gives me knowledge through His Spirit who lives in me (1 Corinthians 2:12; 14:33)?*
19. *Why should I feel like a failure when I am more than a conqueror through Christ who love me (Romans 8:37)?*
20. *Why should I let the pressures of life bother me when I can take courage knowing that Jesus has overcome the world and its problems (John 16:33)?*

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## What Is True of Christ Is True of You

*The list below itemizes in first-person language who you really are in Christ. These are some of the scriptural traits which reflect who you became at spiritual birth. You can't earn them or buy them anymore than a person born in America can earn or buy the rights and freedoms he enjoys as an American citizen. They are guaranteed to him by the Constitution simply because he was born in the United States. Similarly, these traits are guaranteed to you by the Word of God simply because you were born into God's holy nation by faith in Christ.*

### Who Am I?

- I am the salt of the earth (Matthew 5:13).
- I am the light of the world (Matthew 5:14).
- I am a child of God (John 1:12).
- I am part of the true vine, a channel of Christ's life (John 15:1, 5).
- I am Christ's friend (John 15:15).
- I am chosen and appointed by Christ to bear His fruit (John 15:16).
- I am a slave of righteousness (Romans 6:18).
- I am enslaved to God (Romans 6:22).
- I am a son of God; God is spiritually my Father (Romans 8:14, 15; Galatians 3:26; 4:6).
- I am a joint heir with Christ, sharing his inheritance with Him (Romans 8:17).
- I am a temple—a dwelling place—of God. His Spirit and His life dwells in me (1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:19).
- I am united to the Lord and am one spirit with Him (1 Corinthians 6:17).
- I am a member of Christ's Body (1 Corinthians 12:27; Ephesians 5:30).
- I am a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17).
- I am reconciled to God and am a minister of reconciliation (2 Corinthians 5:18, 19).
- I am a son of God and one in Christ (Galatians 3:26, 28).
- I am an heir of God since I am a son of God (Galatians 4:6, 7).
- I am a saint (Ephesians 1:1; 1 Corinthians 1:2; Philippians 1:1; Colossians 1:2).

I am God's workmanship—His handiwork—born anew in Christ to do His work (Ephesians 2:10).  
 I am a fellow citizen with the rest of God's family (Ephesians 2:19).  
 I am a prisoner of Christ (Ephesians 3:1; 4:1)  
 I am righteous and holy (Ephesians 4:24).  
 I am a citizen of heaven, seated in heaven right now (Philippians 3:20; Ephesians 2:6).  
 I am hidden with Christ in God (Colossians 3:3).  
 I am an expression of the life of Christ because He is my life (Colossians 3:4).  
 I am chosen of God, holy and dearly loved (Colossians 3:12; 1 Thessalonians 1:4).  
 I am a son of light and of darkness (1 Thessalonians 5:5).  
 I am a holy partaker of a heavenly calling (Hebrews 3:1).  
 I am a partaker of Christ; I share in His life (Hebrews 3:14).  
 I am one of God's living stones, being built up in Christ as a spiritual house (1 Peter 2:5).  
 I am member of a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession (1 Peter 2:9, 10).  
 I am an alien and stranger to this world in which I temporarily live (1 Peter 2:11).  
 I am an enemy of the devil (1 Peter 5:8).  
 I am a child of God, and I will resemble Christ when he returns (1 John 3:1, 2).  
 I am born of God, and the evil one—the devil—cannot touch me (1 John 5:18).  
 I am *not* the great "I am" (Exodus 3:14; John 8:24, 28, 58), but by the grace of God, I am what I am (1 Corinthians 15:10).

*Because you are in Christ, every one of those characteristics is completely true of you, and there's nothing you can do to make them more true. But you can make these traits more meaningful and productive in your life by simply choosing to believe what God has said about you.*

**Read the list once or twice a day for the next week or two.**

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## Twenty Cans of Success

1. *Why should I say I can't when the Bible says I can do all things through Christ who give me strength (Philippians 4:13)?*
2. *Why should I worry about my needs when I know that God will take care of all my needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19)?*
3. *Why should I fear when the Bible says God has not given me a spirit of fear, but of power, love and a sound mind (2 Timothy 1:7)?*
4. *Why should I lack faith to live for Christ when God has given me a measure of faith (Romans 12:3)?*
5. *Why should I be weak when the Bible says that the Lord is the strength of my life and that I will display strength and take action because I know God (Psalm 27:1; Daniel 11:32)?*
6. *Why should I allow Satan control over my life when He that is in me is greater than he that is in the world (1 John 4:4)?*
7. *Why should I accept defeat when the Bible says that God always leads me in victory (2 Corinthians 2:14)?*
8. *Why should I lack wisdom when I know that Christ became wisdom to me from God and God gives wisdom to me generously when I ask Him for it (1 Corinthians 1:30; James 1:5)?*
9. *Why should I be depressed when I have hope and can recall to mind God's loving-kindness, compassion and faithfulness (Lamentations 3:21-23)?*
10. *Why should I worry and be upset when I can cast all my anxieties on Christ who cares for me (1 Peter 5:7)?*

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