

"And the one sitting on the throne said, "Look, I am making everything new!" And then he said to me, "Write this down, for what I tell you is trustworthy and true. 6 And he also said, "It is finished! I am the Alpha and the Omega—the Beginning and the End. To all who are thirsty I will give freely from the springs of the water of life." Revelation 21:5-6 NLT

If the Christ who died had stopped at the cross, His work had been incomplete. If the Christ who was buried had stayed in the tomb, He had only known defeat, But the way of the cross never stops at the cross, and the way of the tomb leads on To victorious grace in the heavenly place where the risen Lord has gone. Annie Johnson Flint

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  - 2) Newness calls forth expectancy for new POTENTIAL and OPPORTUNITIES

'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." **Revelation 21:4** 

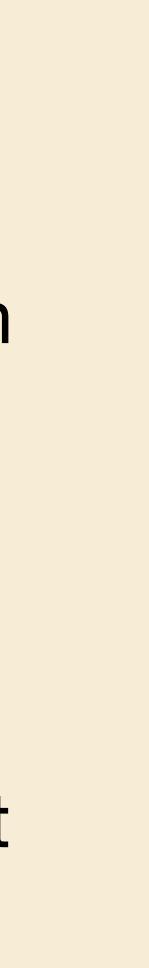


"...anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!" - 2 Corinthians 5:17 NLT

# How does God make All Things New in our lives? He <u>Restores</u> us... He <u>Renames</u> us... He <u>Resurrects</u> us...

Jesus makes us a new person by restoring us

**34** When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, 35 and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind... 39 "Return home and tell how much God has done for you." So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him. Luke 8:34-35, 39



## Jesus makes us a new person by renaming us

You are forgiven; reconciled with God, rescued, redeemed, bought with a precious price and you belong to God! You are known by God, chosen, justified, accepted, saved, made <u>alive, set free, eternally secure, born of God, adopted by God, a</u> <u>child of the promise, Jesus' friend, a citizen of Heaven! Sealed by</u> the Holy Spirit, and immeasurably LOVED by God! (See Ephesians 1:3-14 for your new identity in Christ)

Jesus makes us a new person by resurrecting us "The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you." -Romans 8:11 NLT

