

Apart from Christ, We Were _____ Dead.

With Christ, We Are _____ Alive.

In Christ, We Are God's _____.

G-_____ of God

R-_____ by God

A-_____ from God

C-_____ for God

E-_____ with God

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Group Questions

For further study, see the following passage: [Rom 5:6-11](#)

In explaining this passage, Charles Spurgeon wrote this:

“Faith occupies the position of a channel or conduit pipe. Grace is the fountain and the stream. Faith is the aqueduct along which the mercy flood flows down to refresh the thirsty sons of men. ... I remind you again that faith is only the channel or the aqueduct, and not the fountainhead. We must not look to it so much that we exalt it above the divine source of all blessing which lies in the grace of God.”

1. When you die how do you want your funeral to go?
 - a. Will you be buried or cremated? Why?
2. How does Paul describe our pre-Christian status in 2:1–3?
 - a. How do you think a typical unbeliever today would respond to this description of a non-Christian: “dead,” a slave of Satan, dominated by appetites, and destined for wrath?
 - b. What was the consequence of our pre-Christian status?
 - c. How does Paul graphically describe those who are dead in sin? How does this compare to your experience? (verses to consider: [Eph 4:17–19](#); [Rom 8:10](#))
3. Why are the words “But God” so sweet?
 - a. Why did God make us alive?
 - b. What words does Paul use in the passage to describe God’s actions toward the lost?
 - c. How does [John 6:44](#) contribute to your understanding of this passage?
4. What does this passage teach about our union with Christ?
 - a. What is the believer’s future? How should this impact our daily lives?
 - b. Why should God’s salvation humble us?
5. What is the relationship between grace and works (2:10)?
 - a. How do we measure this?
6. What can you do to “grow in the grace ... of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ” ([2 Peter 3:18](#)) this week?