

## **OUR BIGGEST CHALLENGE**

In the Garden Adam and Eve disobeyed God.

When they did, their spirits died.

Their spirits were the part of them that was created to be in total oneness with God.

As their descendants we inherited that same spiritually dead life from Adam and Eve.

Romans 5.12 explains;

sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, so also death was passed on to all men, because all sinned.

When we accepted Christ as our savior, God made our spirits alive again by giving us His Spirit.

God testifies that He has given us His eternal life and that life is in His Son. Whoever has the Son has that life. 1 John 5.11

We are completely new creations, not just reformed sinners.

2 Corinthians 5.17

if anyone is in Christ, *he is* a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

We're not a reformed version of our old man. We have the eternal life of God.

Here are a few scriptural confirmations.

1 Corinthians 6.17

Whoever is joined to the Lord is one Spirit with Him.

1 Peter 1.23

We were born again of God's imperishable seed.

John 1.12 states that;

By accepting Christ as our savior, we were born of God's supernatural nature.

We didn't just adopt a new theology, and some new forms of behavior.

## **GOD MADE A BLOOD COVENANT WITH US**

In this blood covenant He has made everything He is and everything He has available to us forever.

Jesus said to His disciples, this is the new covenant in my blood. When they drank it, they accepted that God was committing everything He is and everything He has to them and they were committing everything they were, and everything they had to Him in complete oneness. Luke 22.20

Jesus' words and the scriptures agree with this.

Jesus said in John 16.14;

Everything the Father has is mine and I've sent my Holy Spirit to give it to you.

1 Corinthians 1.30 explains that;

The Father put us in Christ by His own doing. Christ became, our wisdom from God, our righteousness, our sanctification, and our redemption.

Romans 8.15

you have received a Spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!"

The Holy Spirit testifies with our spirit that we are sons of God, heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ, sharing His inheritance with Him.

God has granted to us everything pertaining to His life and His godliness. He has given us His promise, (His blood covenant), so we would be partakers of His divine nature. 2 Peter 1.2

Jesus declared that the Holy Spirit is in us and Jesus and the Father have made their permanent home in our spirits. John 14.16-23

He did not say, We will make occasional visits, but that you will be partakers and possessors of His supernatural Spirit nature.

It's His Spirit within our spirit that causes us to be "born again." It's not praying a prayer of forgiveness and joining a church. It's receiving by faith His eternal life in exchange for our old spiritually dead one that we inherited from Adam and Eve.

Jesus declared that the Holy Spirit, Jesus and the Father, have made their permanent dwelling place in us. John 14.16-23

We've been adopted into the family of God. His commitment of Himself to His children is truly mind boggling.

The biggest challenge we have to walking in this is that most of our lives we lived with the identity as a son of Adam, living apart from God.

But now that we are God's children, we have been translated out of the authority of darkness and transferred into His kingdom and we have been totally redeemed as members of God's family Colossians 1.13

Satan cannot overturn or stop this because God has already done it and made it our reality.

So his main effort is to attack our identity as God's children. And if he can get us to accept our old identity as helpless sons of Adam separated from God we will try to serve God with the old nature that God set us free from.

We will petition God as beggars living apart from Him instead of qualified heirs that have access to everything God is and everything God has.

He tries to get us to think that this reality is way beyond our ability to obtain it. The truth is, it's been made ours by Christ's, supernatural sacrifice and His perfect performance of the laws demands. He paid our penalty so that we could possess and walk in His life.

Satan will bring situations and people against us to stop us from doing God's will of redeeming God's children back into His family.

Jesus said , I've given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions and all the works at the enemy. Luke 10.19

As joint heirs with Him, we have His authority to resist Satan because Satan has already been defeated by Christ. James 4.7

We can enforce Christ's victory with His ability and not the helpless efforts of sons of Adam.

I'll close by sharing a few more statements of reality from God that show another part of God's blood covenant. The part that keeps these things from being just Christian theories and concepts.

1 Corinthians 1.9

God is faithful, through whom you were called into fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hebrews 8.10

"I will put my laws in their minds, and I will write them on their hearts. And I will be there God, and they shall be my people."

"And they shall not teach everyone his fellow citizen, and everyone his brother, saying "know the Lord", for all will know Me, from the least to the greatest of them."

Please notice, the operative words in this covenant are, "I will, I will, and I will."

This is God's idea, and this is God's eternal blood covenant with us.

Jesus defined eternal life as "knowing You the only true God and Jesus Christ whom You have sent." John 17.3

God has qualified us to share in this incredible inheritance by making us His children. Colossians 1.12

And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, *engaged* in evil deeds, yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach— if indeed you continue in the faith firmly established and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel that you have heard, which was proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, was made a minister. Colossians 1.21

These things become our reality " by faith in the working of God". Colossians 2.12  
God's reality always trumps Satan's lie.

God bless you.  
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