

Pastor Paul's Newsletter 2-4-24

Live the Free Life; Identify with Christ - Not Moses

Moses brought the Law, and Jesus brought the New Testament.

John 1:17 KJV For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

As Christians, we must not put ourselves back under the Old Testament law. We are believers in the New Testament which was written to us. Moses' law was written to the Israelites before Christ came. We are the born-again Christian Church, and God deals with us as new creations in Christ. We have been born spiritually from Jesus' Seed that is Holy. Now the way we live holy is by identifying with the new holy person that Jesus has made us; not by trying to change our behavior through condemnation and guilt. We are not sinners after our new spiritual birth. If we know ourselves after our new spiritual identity, we will live the life of Jesus while we are on the earth. Although we do have a flesh that is not yet born again, when Jesus comes to get us, we will have a new body that will never desire to sin again. That is not the case right now. We have a Christ spirit and a natural flesh, and there is a war going on between the two. The spirit wants to live like Jesus, but the body wants to live like the world it was born in. The more we see ourselves as spirit and not flesh, the more we will live holy and righteous.

The modern day Church has many teachers in it, and most of the people that are teaching out of the Bible really believe they are saying what God wants them to say. They really want Christians to serve the Lord and live a holy and righteous life. However, so many ministries today do not have revelation of believers being born again and their spirits having God's nature in them to live out what they were born. The Christian ministries are supposed to be showing the born-again believers that they can live like Jesus now, because they are born spiritually with His nature. When a dog is born, they will not live like a cat; because they have a dog's nature, not a

cat's. The way our Father God gets us to live Godly is He reveals His nature in us, so we will then allow that nature to live out what it was born to live. Christian ministries are supposed to show the Church the nature of God that is in them, so they can live it out.

John 3:3-6 KJV Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God. [4] Nicodemus saith unto Him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? [5] Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. [6] That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

1 Peter 1:23 KJV Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

2 Peter 1:3-4 KJV According as His divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that hath called us to glory and virtue: [4] Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

The more we let the Bible tell us who we are, the more we will start living a life of victory in Jesus. As a pastor, I want my congregation to live like Jesus. I want them to love each other and forgive one another. Before I received the revelation that I've shared in this Newsletter, I would talk to people and point out the sins of their flesh without showing them their new nature in Christ. I thought I could change their behavior by just revealing their sins of the flesh, I know better now. I must always reveal who they now are spiritually; not just point out their flesh sins. I hope you have gained insight of who you really are now in the spirit.

Romans 8:15-17 KJV For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba,

Father. [16] The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: [17] And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together.

1 John 4:15-17 KJV Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God. [16] And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. [17] Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as He is, so are we in this world.

1 John 5:1,4-5 KJV Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth Him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of Him. [4] For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. [5] Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

I hope, now that you have read this Newsletter, you can see clearly that our behaviors change when we get the revelation of who we are in Christ when we were born again by His seed.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Acts 5

Tuesday Acts 6

Wednesday Acts 7

Thursday Acts 8

Friday Acts 9

Saturday Acts 10

Sunday Acts 11

STAY CONNECTED

**Here is the link for The Christian Center app- -
<https://subsplash.com/thechristiancenter/app>

**If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line 580-704-0505

**Singles will be eating after Services at: Wok N Roll 4407 NW Cache Rd

**They are needing extras for the Easter Pageant. Rehearsals will be every Sunday at 2pm starting February 4 till the Pageant on March 23. All the main parts are filled, so they only need crowds of people. No need to sign up; just show up at the Holy City

**Communion Wednesday

**Women's Fellowship: Saturday 9am in the Fellowship Hall

**You can give by texting through the TCC app. There is an OPTION to add the fee, but it IS NOT mandatory.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES at 9:45am

Children — 6 months - 5th grade

Youth — 6th -12th grades

Young Singles/College & Career — 18-26 years of age - Eliav/Kim Nash

ADULT CLASSES

*Foundation 1 - Pastor Paul

*Healing - Lester/Monica Witherspoon

*Foundation 2 - Mike Wiggins

*Marriage - Danny/Demetrice Williams

*Faith - Mike Whitley

*Prayer - Joe Cunningham

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily

* Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday 6:15-7:15am

* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Fri 10-11am in the Gym

*Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app

Weekly

** Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes; 10:45am Main Service

** Monday Night Care Group: In Sanctuary under balcony 7pm

** Wednesday Night Prayer: 6pm before Services in the Foundation 1 Classroom

** Wednesday Night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth area)

** Mobile Prayer: Fri 2-3:30pm Hobby Lobby parking lot

** Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Sanctuary under balcony

Monthly

*** Crosses at the Corner: 1st Saturday 11am-1pm corner of Sheridan and Cache Rd.

*** Women's Meeting:

2nd Saturday 9am in Fellowship Hall

*** Women's Discipleship:

3rd Thursday 5pm in Sanctuary

*** Horse Ministry: 3rd Saturday 11am -2 pm at Camp Faith