

The Christian Center Newsletter 8-18-24

Every Born-Again Christian is Free from Condemnation

As I start this Newsletter, I want to state some spiritual facts that we, as Christians, must believe, if we are going to stop the lying devil from deceiving us. We must know that we are in right standing with God - only by our faith in what Jesus did in our place.

2 Corinthians 5:21 KJV For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him.

NLT For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.

MSG How? you ask. In Christ. God put the wrong on Him who never did anything wrong, so we could be put right with God.

TPT For God made the only One who did not know sin to become sin for us, so that we who did not know righteousness might become the righteousness of God through our union with Him.

This verse, in all these translations, is telling us a very important spiritual fact. We no longer are sinners, but we are now righteous with Jesus' righteousness. We, as Christians, must never view ourselves as sinners anymore in order to be in agreement with God. Our Father God looks at us as new righteous people. We didn't make ourselves righteous with any of our good works; God made us righteous with Jesus' good works. Jesus did everything that His Father asked Him to do and never did anything wrong. When we accept Jesus as our Savior and Lord, God replaces our sins with Jesus' righteousness. We must now realize that we have been completely justified by Jesus, not by any of our good deeds.

Romans 5:8-10 KJV But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. [9] Much more then, being

now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. [10] For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

Most of the Christians today are completely in the dark about their new identity in Christ. The reason for this is because the Christian church leaders haven't been taught themselves about the three divisions of man. Man is three parts in one. Man is a spirit; he has a soul (mind, will, and emotions) and he lives in a body. When a person receives Jesus, his spirit is recreated at that moment and becomes a new creation in Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:17 KJV Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

This is just the spirit part of man. The mind, will, and emotions have to be renewed. The Christian is the spirit which is new instantly, the soul is renewed progressively by the study of God's Word. The spirit is born from Jesus' Seed and has no sin nature in it, but the soul and the body are not born again. That's why a Christian can still sin in the flesh even after they are born again. The flesh, which is our body, and our un-renewed mind will want to sin even after our spirits are made new with Jesus' righteousness. This is where we have to use our new spiritual nature to control the sinful desires of our flesh. We must not feel guilty just because our flesh still wants to manifest sin after we have become Christians. When Jesus comes back, and we get our new bodies, we will never be tempted to sin again. But till then, we will have to control our bodies when they desire to sin.

As I finish this Newsletter, I want to encourage you that even though you might have addictions in your body and you're still yielding to it, if you start calling yourself free from that sin, in Jesus' Name, you will become free. There is more power in the Name of Jesus than that sin in your body. Freedom will be experienced by you as you identify with the new you in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:10-14 KJV For in that He died, He died unto sin once: but in that He liveth, He liveth unto God. [11] Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. [12] Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. [13] Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. [14] For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Mark 1

Tuesday Mark 2

Wednesday Mark 3

Thursday Mark 4

Friday Mark 5

Saturday Mark 6

Sunday Mark 7

STAY CONNECTED

** 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: Milano's 1424 NW Sheridan Rd.

** Relationship Class 10am-noon Saturday in Fellowship Hall

** Annual Labor Day Picnic 11am-3pm Saturday, August 31 at Camp Faith

** You can text to give through the TCC app.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES at 9:45am

Children — 6 months - 5th grade

Youth — 6th -12th grades

Young Singles/College & Career —ages 18-26 Eliav/Kim Nash

ADULT CLASSES

*Foundation 1 - Pastor Paul

*Healing - Lester/Monica Witherspoon

*Faith - Mike Whitley

*Marriage -Danny/Demetrice Williams

*Foundation 2 - Mike Wiggins

*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; 10:45 am 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 Gym)

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

** Friday Night Prayer: 7:00 pm 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 10am -1pm at Camp Faith

*** Relationship Class: 4th Saturday 10am-12 in Fellowship Hall. Childcare 4 years old and up.