

Christ in you

*"I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but **Christ lives in me**; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me."* Galatians 2:20 NASB

Christ living in you:

To be a child of God and a citizen of the Kingdom of God it is important to know your King, Christ Jesus. It is also very important that you know who you truly are *in* Christ or who Christ is *in* you. Your relationship to God through your Lord Jesus Christ is *priceless!* This means that your relationship with God is more valuable to you than the sum total value of the whole world! "*what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul?*" 1

When you received Christ as your Savior, were born again in the spirit and started living your life through the grace of God, "*What actually took place is this: I tried keeping rules and working my head off to please God, and it didn't work. So I quit being a "law man" so that I could be God's man. Christ's life showed me how, and enabled me to do it. **I identified myself completely with Him.** Indeed, I have been crucified with Christ. My ego is no longer central. It is no longer important that I appear righteous before you or have your good opinion, and I am no longer driven to impress God. **Christ lives in me.** The life you see me living is not "mine," but it is lived by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I am not going to go back on that.*" 2

Discover who you really are in Christ!

How do you discover who you really are in your spirit in Christ who created you? First offer willingly your life back to Him to show you His purposes for your life.

"Dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him." 3

Then let your mind be *transformed* by the word and the spirit of God.

*"Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but **let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think.** Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect."* 4

This meditation on the word of God is prepared for you to know your true identity in Christ.

Pray that the Holy Spirit will transform your understanding and reveal the truth to you.

First stop what you are doing and take some time. Then find a quiet place. Also consider listening to anointed praise music in the back ground and slowly, prayerfully read through this meditation.

Pray and invite the Holy Spirit to bless you with the wisdom and revelation to be transformed in your mind and spirit, and to receive your true identity and inheritance in Christ.

Now meditate on who the Bible says that you *truly* are and who Christ is in you. Pray *Yes Lord* in agreement with these truths. Let the word of God *transform* your mind into the *mind of Christ*. Let the love and truth of God marinate your heart, to be tenderized, to come into *one* with heart and spirit in the Lord. Let the author of the Word, the Holy Spirit, speak truth deeply into your spirit and strengthen you.

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Thank Christ for dying for your sin and for His resurrection which defeated death. He offers you His very own *supernatural* life to be lived through you. Read, meditate and discover all the great love, grace, mercy and power that God has available to give to you and live through you as you yield your life to Him.

You know that God loves you with His everlasting love and gives you eternal life. *“For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.”* 5

You are given the way to God, the truth and life through the person of your Lord Jesus Christ. *“Jesus answered, “Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.”* 6

You are set free by knowing and experiencing the truth of Christ’s life living in and through you. *“...“If you stick with this, living out what I tell you, you are my disciples for sure. Then you will experience for yourselves the truth, and the truth will free you.” “So if the Son sets you free, you are free through and through.”* 7

You are given the opportunity to live the real, everlasting abundant life of Christ. *“I came so they can have real and eternal life, more and better life than they ever dreamed of.”* 8

You are given God’s plan for a good future and hope. *“I know what I’m doing. I have it all planned out—plans to take care of you, not abandon you, plans to give you the future you hope for.”* 9

You will be supplied with all your needs from the glorious riches in Christ. *“...God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus.”* 10

You can do more than you can ever imagine by the power of His Spirit working within you. *“God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, His Spirit deeply and gently within us.”* 11

Christ is on your side and is praying for you. *“... If God is for us, who can ever be against us? Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won’t he also give us everything else? Who dares accuse us whom God has chosen for his own? No one—for God himself has given us right standing with himself. Who then will condemn us? No one—for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and he is sitting in the place of honor at God’s right hand, pleading for us.”* 12

You can be healed through your faith in the life giving word of God. *“... listen well to my words; tune your ears to my voice. Keep my message in plain view at all times. Concentrate! Learn it by heart! Those who discover these words live, really live; body and soul, they’re bursting with health.”* 13

You will receive great blessings from heaven too large to store as you give and invest into God’s kingdom building work. God will also protect the fruit of your work. *“Bring your full tithe to the Temple treasury so there will be ample provisions in my Temple. **Test me in this** and see if I don’t open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings beyond your wildest dreams. For my part, I will defend you against marauders, protect your wheat fields and vegetable gardens against plunderers.”* 14

You are blessed and helped as you are generous and help others. *“The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped.”* 15

You will receive good gifts from God as you ask Him in Jesus name. *“So if you ...know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good gifts to those who ask* 16

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Your path will be made known to you by God as you trust in Him and not your own understanding. *“Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.”* 17

Your heart’s desire and purposes will be fulfilled by God. *“May He grant you according to your heart's desire, and fulfill all your purpose.”* 18

Your needs will be supplied to you as you seek the Kingdom of God and His righteous ways. *“For this reason I say to you, do not be worried about your life, as to what you will eat or what you will drink; nor for your body, as to what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? “But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you.”* 19

Your joy will be full and mature. *“I’ve told you these things for a purpose: that my joy might be your joy, and your joy wholly mature.”* 20

You will always be joyful as you pray continually and thank God in ALL things. *“Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.”* 21

You will never be left alone or forsaken by God. *“I will never fail you. I will never abandon you.”* 22

You are given Christ’s ministry of reconciliation. *“God has given us the task of telling everyone what he is doing. We’re Christ’s representatives. God uses us to persuade men and women to drop their differences and enter into God’s work of making things right between them. We’re speaking for Christ himself now: Become friends with God; he’s already a friend with you.”* 23

God lives in you! *My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So I live in this earthly body by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.* 24

The Lord dwells with you as you love and obey Him

“Jesus replied, “All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them.” 25

You are one in the spirit with Christ and with God and He loves you like He loves His own Son! *“I am in them and you are in me. May they experience such perfect unity that the world will know that you sent me and that you love them as much as you love me.”* 26

You will know that God is love by the extravagant love He has for you and loves through you. *“All who confess that Jesus is the Son of God have God living in them, and they live in God. We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love. **God is love**, and all who live in love live in God, and **God lives in them.**”* 27

Christ gives you His very own nature to you. *“Everything that goes into a life of pleasing God has been miraculously given to us by getting to know, personally and intimately, the One who invited us to God. The best invitation we ever received! We were also given absolutely terrific promises to pass on to you—your tickets to participation in the life of God after you turned your back on a world corrupted by lust.”* 28

God has given you His Holy Spirit to live in you. *“And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever-- the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.”* 29

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God lives in you as a temple of the living God. *“...For we are the temple of the living God. As God said: “I will live in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they will be my people.”* 30

You are joined to the Lord in one spirit with Him. *“But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him.”* 31

You are a member of the body of Christ. *we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones.* 32

All things are possible by God through you. *“Nothing, you see, is impossible with God.”* 33

You are blessed with ‘mountain moving’ faith in God. *“...,” said Jesus. “The simple truth is that if you had a mere kernel of faith, a poppy seed, say, you would tell this mountain, ‘Move!’ and it would move. There is nothing you wouldn’t be able to tackle.”* 34

You are a new creation in Christ. *“This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!”* 35

You are a child of God. *“But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God.”* 36

You live by faith in God. *“By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God’s command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen.”* 37

You can bear much fruit in your life lived in Christ. *“Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.”* 38

Christ is being formed in you. *“My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you,”* 39

You have freedom and liberty in the Spirit of the Lord as you are changed into Christ’s image. *“But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.”* 40

You will be filled with all the love, fullness of life and power from God. *“May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.”* 41

You are one with God who lives in you and through you. *“and one God and Father, who is over all and in all and living through all.”* 42

You will receive real rest in Christ. *“Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you’ll recover your life. I’ll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won’t lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly.”* 43

You are called to be an ambassador for Christ as He appeals to those around you through you. *“So we are Christ’s ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, “Come back to God!” 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.”* 44

You have the first fruits of the Spirit. *“...we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ...groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.”* 45

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You are set free from the law of sin and death. *“For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.”* 46

You have no condemnation in Christ Jesus. *“There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.”* 47

You are alive to God in Christ Jesus. *“So you also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus.”* 48

Your sins are forgiven when you confess them to God and you are made alive in Christ. *“Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins.”* 49

You are cleansed and set apart as a saint in Christ Jesus for God. *“I send this letter to you in God's church at Corinth, believers cleaned up by Jesus and set apart for a God-filled life. I include in my greeting all who call out to Jesus, wherever they live. He's their Master as well as ours!”* 50

You are complete in Christ. *“So you also are complete through your union with Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority.”* 51

You are to be holy. *“Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes.”* 52

Christ is preparing you as His church, His bride to be holy, clean, and without fault or blemish. *“to make her holy and clean, washed by the cleansing of God's word. He did this to present her to himself as a glorious church without a spot or wrinkle or any other blemish. ...she will be holy and without fault.”* 53

You are seated with Christ in the heavenly realms. *“For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ Jesus.”* 54

You are more than a conqueror through Christ. *“Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.”* 55

You will have love for one another. *“By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”* 56

You are not to be anxious for anything and you will have the peace of God. *“Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. ⁷ Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.”* 57

Your life is hidden with Christ in God. *“For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.”* 58

You can bring your every thought into obedience with Christ. *“The world is unprincipled. It's dog-eat-dog out there! The world doesn't fight fair. But we don't live or fight our battles that way—never have and never will. The tools of our trade aren't for marketing or manipulation, but they are for demolishing that entire massively corrupt culture. We use our powerful God-tools for smashing warped philosophies, tearing down barriers erected against the truth of God, fitting every loose thought and emotion and impulse into the structure of life shaped by Christ.”* 59

Christ is your life. *Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. ² Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. ³ For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ And when Christ, who is your life, is revealed to the whole world, you will share in all his glory.* 60

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You are to test yourself that Christ lives in you. *“Test yourselves to make sure you are solid in the faith. Don't drift along taking everything for granted. Give yourselves regular checkups. You need firsthand evidence, not mere hearsay, that Jesus Christ is in you.”* 61

You are invited to become a living sacrifice to God. *“And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.”* 62

You will be transformed by the renewing of your mind. *“Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.”* 63

You are an instrument of righteousness to God. *“Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God.”* 64

You are one with the body and spirit of Christ. *“...Your body has many parts—limbs, organs, cells—but no matter how many parts you can name, you're still one body. It's exactly the same with Christ. By means of his one Spirit, we all said good-bye to our partial and piecemeal lives. We each used to independently call our own shots, but then we entered into a large and integrated life in which he has the final say in everything. (This is what we proclaimed in word and action when we were baptized.) Each of us is now a part of His resurrection body, refreshed and sustained at one fountain—His Spirit—where we all come to drink. The old labels we once used to identify ourselves—labels like Jew or Greek, slave or free—are no longer useful. We need something larger, more comprehensive.”* 65

You are commanded to love God with all of heart, mind, soul and mind. *“Jesus replied, ‘You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment.”* 66

You can live in victory through the spirit of God in you. *“But you belong to God, my dear children. You have already won a victory over those people, because the Spirit who lives in you is greater than the spirit who lives in the world.”* 67

You can conquer the present fallen world system and the kingdom of darkness ruling over it. *“For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith. And who can win this battle against the world? Only those who believe that Jesus is the Son of God.”* 68

You are to love others. *“... ‘Love others as well as you love yourself.’ These two commands are pegs; everything in God's Law and the Prophets hangs from them.”* 69

You are commissioned by Christ to train disciples; those who will learn to follow and live by the commandments of Christ. *“Go out and train everyone you meet, far and near, in this way of life, marking them by baptism in the threefold name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Then instruct them in the practice of all I have commanded you. I'll be with you as you do this, day after day after day, right up to the end of the age.”* 70

You will overcome the world and will be divinely blessed *“He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.”* 71

He who overcomes will not be hurt by the second death.” 72

to him I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it.” 73

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*“He who overcomes, and he who keeps My deeds until the end, **TO HIM I WILL GIVE AUTHORITY OVER THE NATIONS;**”* 74

*“...will thus be **clothed in white garments**; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.”* 75

*“...**I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God**, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name.”* 76

*“...**I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne**, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.”* 77

You have been made a king and a priest to our God. *“...Paying in blood, you bought men and women, Bought them back from all over the earth, Bought them back for God. Then you made them a Kingdom, Priests for our God, Priest-kings to rule over the earth.”* 78

Christ is with you always. *“And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”* 79

Wow! Did you find some of these scriptures hard to believe? Sadly we have spent most of our lives hearing and believing lies from the world so the truth sounds unbelievable.

Read these verses over again until you believe the truth deep in your spirit. When you come to believe the truth by faith, then all of these wonderful promises from God can actually be lived out through your life.

How do you grow into the image of Christ?

Your complete *obedience* to God is required to form Christ in you. You may say that is impossible. In your own strength that is true, but God has given you His Holy Spirit to live in you and through you. It is *only* by God’s Spirit that you are taught, trained, guided and strengthened to be transformed into the image to Christ. This is called sanctification and will take time as you yield your life to the Lord. Remember that Christ is the head and you are His body. As you surrender your life to the leadership of Christ, your head, you will come into submission and alignment with His will and His ways.

Your life in Christ

Jesus is so much greater than all of us. His power and ways transcend our understanding. If we are to grow into all that He has for us then we need to connect into what the Holy Spirit has for us today. Open your hearts to Christ as He delights in revealing Himself to you through His Word, prayer, spiritual experiences including dreams, visions and miracles, angelic encounters, and insights into things to come.

How do you keep focused on Jesus? Go beyond the realm of your natural senses into supernatural experiences.

The good news can be stated that: Jesus laid down His life for you, so He could give His life to you, so that He could live His life through you.

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Your life as a follower of Christ will be difficult, challenging and will not be encouraged by the present fallen world system. The victorious life of an obedient believer will take sacrifice, effort and discipline. This life requires you to work hard, but please understand that **it is infinitely better than the alternative!**

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The life that you and all others were all born into is based on sin, rebellion to God, lies and leads to everlasting destruction in the lake of fire, and the eternal separation from the love of God. The abundant life of true love, joy and peace is only available from the King in His kingdom. Jesus said, *“My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.”* 81

Seek the Lord and receive all that He has for you. He has paid for it in full with His sacrificed life. So build your life only on a Person, the Lord Jesus Christ. Followers of Christ are to walk in total surrender, humility, obedience and in His love and power. A life of prayer, worship, listening to God and obedience to His will and ways are the disciplines required to enter more fully into the presence of the Lord and into the Kingdom of God. This is a choice by choice, day by day walk with the Lord. God’s *mercy is new every day*. There are eternal rewards promised by your King including joy, unconditional love, and everlasting life in God’s kingdom. These true riches from God of salvation, forgiveness, healing, deliverance, wholeness, purpose, and love are *priceless* and everlasting.

Receive from your King

You are a child of God and He wants you to receive all that He has for you. Christ is the ‘Anointed One’ sent to open the way back to God. Be *transformed* into the image of Christ, and become an anointed one. You are the King’s child, a Holy priest; live in peace, joy, justice and righteousness. You have the mind of Christ, which listens and obeys the voice of God. This is a primary principle of the Kingdom of God, to listen to your King and receive all that Christ has prepared to be shared with you. All things will be restored for Christ’s inheritance. *“For he must remain in heaven until the time for the final restoration of all things, as God promised long ago through his holy prophets.”* 82

Willingly receive Christ into your presence, into your life and you will be progressively transformed into His image and transported to your divine destination, your destiny.

End Notes:

1. Mark 8:36 NLT	29. John 14:16-17 NKJV	55. Romans 8:37 NKJV
2. Galatians 2:19-20 MSG	30. 2 Corinthians 6:16 NLT 1 Corinthians 3:17	56. John 13:35 NKJV
3. Romans 12:1 NLT	31. 1 Corinthians 6:17 NLT	57. Philippians 4:6-7 NLT
4. Romans 12:2 NLT	32. Ephesians 5:30 NKJV	58. Colossians 3:3 NKJV
5. John 3:16 NLT	33. Luke 1:37 MSG Mark 9:23, Matthew 19:26	59. 2 Corinthians 10:3-5 MSG
6. John 14:6 NLT	34. Matthew 17:20 MSG	60. Colossians 3:1-4 NLT
7. John 8:31-32, 36 MSG	35. 2 Corinthians 5:17 NLT	61. 2 Corinthians 13:5 MSG
8. John 10:10b MSG	36. John 1:12 NLT	62. Romans 12:1 NLT
9. Jeremiah 29:11 MSG	37. Hebrews 11:3 NLT	63. Romans 12:2 NLT
10. Philippians 4:19 NLT	38. John 15:5 NLT	64. Romans 6:13 NLT
11. Ephesians 3:20 MSG	39. Galatians 4:19 NKJV	65. 1 Corinthians 12:12-13 MSG
12. Romans 8:31-34 NLT	40. 2 Corinthians 3:16-18 NLT	66. Matthew 22:37-38 NLT
13. Proverbs 4:20-22 MSG	41. Ephesians 3:19 NLT	67. 1 John 4:4 NLT
14. Malachi 3:10-11 MSG	42. Ephesians 4:6 NLT	68. 1 John 5:4-5 NLT
15. Proverbs 11:25 MSG	43. Matthew 11:28-30 MSG	69. Matthew 22:39-40 MSG
16. Matthew 7:11 NLT	44. 2 Corinthians 5:20-21 NLT	70. Matthew 28:19-20 MSG
17. Proverbs 3:5-6 NLT	45. Romans 8:23 NASB	71. Revelation 2:7 NASB
18. Psalm 20:4 NKJV	46. Romans 8:2 NASB	72. Revelation 2:11 NASB
19. Matthew 6:25, 33 NKJV	47. Romans 8:1 NKJV	73. Revelation 2:17 NASB
20. John 15:11 MSG	48. Romans 6:11 NLT	74. Revelation 2:26 NASB
21. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NLT	49. Colossians 2:13b NLT	75. Revelation 3:5 NASB
22. Hebrews 13:5b, Joshua 1:5 NLT	50. 1 Corinthians 1:2 MSG	76. Revelation 3:12 NASB
23. 2 Corinthians 5:19-20 MSG	51. Colossians 2:10 NLT	77. Revelation 3:21 NASB
24. Galatians 2:20 NLT	52. Ephesians 1:4 NLT	78. Revelation 5:9-10 MSG
25. John 14:23 NLT	53. Ephesians 5:26-27 NLT	79. Matthew 28:20b NLT
26. John 17:23 NLT	54. Ephesians 2:6 NLT	80. Galatians 2:20 MSG
27. 1 John 4:15-16 NLT		81. John 10:10b NLT
28. 2 Peter 1:3- 4 MSG		82. Acts 3:21 NLT