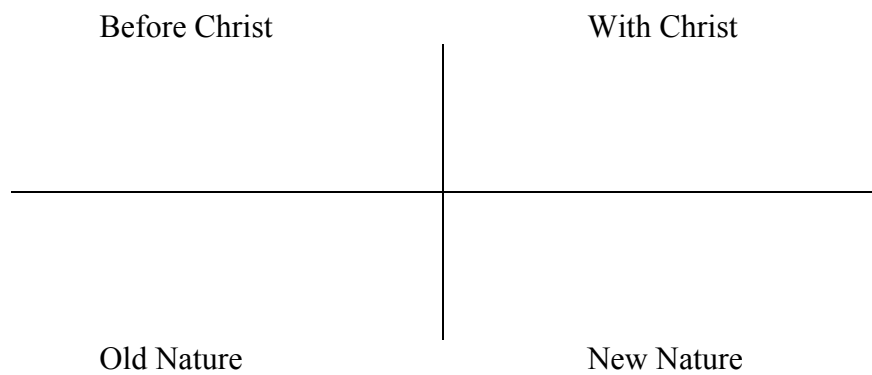


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MY SECURITY IN CHRIST

If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶ As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.” ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 8:31-39 (NIV)**



RECOGNIZING MY IDENTITY IN CHRIST, I AM...

- A NEW creation.**
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 2 Corinthians 5:17
- REDEEMED: “to recover ownership through payment”**

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.
1 Peter 1:18-19

- JUSTIFIED: “made righteous in the sight of God”**
Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. **Romans 5:1-2**
- Promised ETERNAL life with God.**
“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” **John 3:16**
- Marked by God and SEALED by the Holy Spirit.**
And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God’s possession – to the praise of his glory. **Ephesians 1:13-14**

UNDERSTANDING GOD’S FORGIVENESS

(Jesus said,) I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father’s hand. **John 10:29-29**

- It must be ASKED for and received.**
- It is on-going, yet PERMANENT.**
- It came with a PRICE, but gifted freely.**
- It does not eliminate CONSEQUENCES.**

MY RESPONSE TO CHRIST’S SACRIFICE

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?” ²² Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.”
Matthew 18:21-22

1. I belong to Jesus as God's CHILD.
2. I grow to understand the depth of the RELATIONSHIP He desires with me.
3. I REPLICATE God's forgiveness to others.