

Your Rights in Christ

Foundation Scripture: Rom 8:17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer (*endure persecution*) with [him], that we may be also glorified together.

A. Jesus – His Names and His Titles.

1. Jesus Christ.

Jesus is His name; Christ is His title. Christ refers to the Anointed One (the Messiah) and His Anointing. Jesus Christ refers to the ministry of the man Jesus who lived and fulfilled the messianic prophecies as the Lamb of God, sacrificed for the sins of the world, taking your sins so you could be born again into the family of God and be given your Salvation Package.

2. Christ Jesus.

Christ Jesus refers to the Messiah, to the Anointed One and His Anointing, Who rose from the dead so that believers who die in Christ could be resurrected, and so that overcomers could live without dying. Believers who live with Jesus as Lord have full access to their Salvation Package, living as ambassadors of Heaven on earth with authority over three worlds (Phi 2:10).

B. We are New Creations in Christ.

1. New creatures and new careers (callings).

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

2Co 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech [you] by us: we pray [you] in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

2. New minds and new knowledge.

2Co 3:14 But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which [vail] is done away in Christ.

2Co 2:14 AMPC But thanks be to God, Who in Christ always leads us in triumph [as trophies of Christ's victory] and through us spreads *and* makes evident the fragrance of the knowledge of God everywhere,

C. In Christ, We Have Resurrection and Life.

Joh 11:25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

Joh 11:26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

1. The Resurrection.

1Co 15:17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith [is] vain; ye are yet in your sins.

1Co 15:18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.

1Co 15:19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

1Co 15:20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, [and] become the first fruits of them that slept.

1Co 15:21 For since by man [came] death, by man [came] also the resurrection of the dead.

2. The Life.

1Co 15:22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Eph 1:10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; [even] in him:

1Th 4:14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which **sleep (dead) in Jesus** will God bring with him.

1Th 4:15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive [and] remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the **dead in Christ** shall rise first:

1Th 4:17 Then we which are alive [and] remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.