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PROLOGUE



WHAT IS FORGIVENESS? WHAT IS IDENTITY?

Forgiveness is not only an attitude but an act. According to the web, forgiveness is defined as the action or process of *forgiving* or being *forgiven*.

Forgiving means intentionally letting go of anger and resentment, even if the person who offended you doesn't deserve forgiveness. It can also involve giving up negative emotions and not reacting negatively to the person who hurt you. Forgiving can also mean restoring a relationship with the person who hurt you.

God is often portrayed as a person who is flooded with anger over people's behavior. With this image, we need God's forgiveness. That leads us to the word forgiven, which means one experiences someone stopping or letting go of resentment or blame against someone or something.

Okay, if that works for you, it works. But for me, it doesn't. The Hebrew word often translated as *forgive* is (na-sa), whose root thought is best conveyed as drawing up or near to. Jacob drew up (na-sa) water from the well for Rachel. That picture fits. Jesus and we in him were drawn up to sit with him in the heavens. In Greek, the word is (a-

fi-i-ni). This means leaving off, leaving behind, or even divorce. This fits, too. God, in Christ's death, has divorced us from Mr. Sin.

Between the two, God has divorced us from sin (not trusting His love for us).

*“And He, when He comes, will convict the world
concerning sin and righteousness and judgment;
concerning sin, because they do not believe
(trust) Me;” (See John 16:8-9 italics mine)*

So what is this all about? Thanks to Adam and Eve, we were married to Mr. Doubt. The spirit of distrust in God was glued to our souls when they ate of the TREE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL. We doubted ourselves, our neighbors, and, if honest, God.

We needed a better spouse. God prepared ONE. Jesus drove up to your home, snatched you from Mr. Sin, and drove you to the cross where with him you died. Now free from Mr. Doubt, you can be married to Mr. Trust, who trusts Father has always loved you more than himself.

*“So then, if while her husband is living she is joined
to another man, she shall be called an
adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free
from the law, so that she is not an adulteress
though she is joined to another man.
Therefore, my brethren, you also were
made to die to the Law through the
body of Christ, so that you might be
joined to another, to Him who was
raised from the dead, in order that we might
bear fruit for God.” (Romans 7:3-4 Italics
mine)*

What is my new position? Well, that can best be defined by asking and answering these age-old questions—Who am I? What am I here for?

1. You are a child of God.

2. You are here to act like God and love everyone indiscriminately.

But how can you do God stuff while this albatross of flesh hangs on? Well, you can't do God, but God can do you even if, for some reason, you forget you are dead, and your life is hidden in God by marriage to His Son, Jesus Christ.

Your new identity is Christ identifying with you.

When a child, my mother's name was Mrs. Lionel Devillo Chicquette. By the time she died, she was Carol Joyce Bellin Kline. She had gone from having another's name, rights, property, and privileges to nothing but a hint of who her husband might have been.

Just the opposite has happened for us, as Christ's bride. I am the Spouse of Mr. Lord God Jesus Christ of Nazareth. My Identity is not in who or what I have or can do but totally in another. That's why I am lifted up in Christ to be with Christ forever in Father God's house.

Now we have the full picture. Father proved he had forgiven me and lifted me up as His Son's Bride with all the trimmings. In the end, this is all about our living out this union with God from the heavenly realm in this earthly realm just as Christ then trusted Father, still reproducing His trust through us. The new 'US' is my identity, and I know forgiveness because I forgive, gather in, and lift up those I meet in person to that grand hall of acceptance. There, we dance, sing, feast, and embrace every new wave of Mr. Love Himself.

PRAYER

Father, let us so see you through forgiveness. Let the forgiveness we have received flow to all around us. May your name and what you do resound, Jehovah Saves!

*Your child, Dean Chicquette
Amen!*

IDENTITY THROUGH FORGIVENESS



REAL LIVING

TO START DISCOVERING YOUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST, YOU must first find forgiveness in Him. Your very righteousness is best described as your being perfected by the gift of Mr. Grace himself. Your righteousness in Christ Jesus is the greatest news of all. The new creation of the indwelling life of God is realized through the indwelling presence, peace, and joy of Christ being himself through us. The indwelling glory of Christ has been delivered to you, for you, and resides within you so that the gospel of Christ's victory over fear, guilt, and shame can be experienced by others. His victory transmits your soul's need for victory. He in you and you in him is the victory that overcomes. Your real life is that Christ has overcome and is expressing that truth.

He suffered to gain the right to claim residence in those willing to let him rule their lives. When you accept the gift of his life on the cross, you also receive his life given to you. He gives his life to you, and you receive this as fact by trusting him. Then he moves in you as if you were doing

the living. Once you acknowledge his residence in you, he lives his life as you; by simple trust, let him live your life. The living feels like you are doing it. Your active faith is trusting he is getting his way.

What Christ does, God has initiated. Christ has been offered to you as the solution to sin, guilt, and despair when you received the gift of Christ crucified. It is then you trust you have been separated from Mr. Sin himself and sins in particular. You are forgiven [set free] to trust Christ's abilities. That means you lay down your ability to function and accept Father's ability to function through you to gain his end. You accept your cross, highlighted by dying to your efforts to do God's stuff. You die to self-motivation. You hang around and discover two wonderful things. First, that old flesh-I is dead. Second, that old flesh-I is dead.

THEN WHAT LIVES?

Your righteous One lives, and you get to live his living you. So much so that you think you are living without his direct influence. This spontaneous living is his life being lived through you without interrupting your ability to be a knower, wantor, chooser, and doer. It is in choosing to receive his total death that enables you to be his total living.

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." (Galatians 2:20)

SPIRIT LIFE

This is the life given to you and a gift for you to share. His Holy Spirit within still speaks of Father's love for every person conceived. When you trust that he was given to you as a baby in a manger, he becomes your ability to be his child. He has gifted you with his trust through his bloodshed and brought you into union with Christ's nature. He was given for you as well as to you. You have received his life as given to you; now receive his life as you. He gives you what you don't deserve as you continue to receive that life. You didn't earn the ability to trust, but as you receive it, every moment of every day, he consciously becomes your living as you remain totally dependent upon him.

CAN THIS GOOD NEWS GET BETTER?

This reality of Christ makes himself known as you become his living sacrifice. Suffering the sins of those around you prompts you to pray for their eyes and ears to be opened and for their hearts to become flesh and let Christ rule their lives. Your sin problem has been fixed. He released you from having to follow the desires of the flesh.

Walking in the Spirit is NOT walking in the flesh.

The Spirit life he has given you is his life of love, overcoming every circumstance. He accomplishes this by becoming you, overcoming life. From the inside out, he produces joy, peace, and love. Father produced his nature through Jesus's total submission to his will, so it is with you. Your total submission to his desires is safe. How? You do not submit to doubts because you know you are not the flesh nor its desires. The gospel is so much bigger than a

baby born in a manger or once grown a sacrifice for all the sins of the whole world. These are the prelude. Here comes the rest of the story. You living your life is Christ living his person, nature, will, and obedience to Father through you.

You have been recreated with the capacity to know and trust the love which God has animating you. God is love, and your abiding in love is your abiding in God. It is God who abides in you. In this way, LOVE is total in you so that you may have confidence in his day of judgment on the cross. You can live life like he lives because as He is, so are you in this world.

“We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world.” (1 John 4:16-17)

THE RIGHTEOUS ONE

JESUS CHRIST is in you, supporting and empowering you. He has come to you for you to be as he is, Love, loving. Even ungodly people are pawns in God's hands and plans. His plan is to include humanity in Christ's Person and life. As you trust in God's plan, Christ affirms your new lineage with the good news of great joy that he is for all people. For unto you was born in the city of David, a savior who is Christ, The Chosen One, the Lord. He is the gift for you. Today, you find this baby wrapped in your flesh. In other words, the lamb to be sacrificed was born to bring life to you through his death. Now, you are reborn for that exact purpose: to give life.

For some, it will cost their life to share Christ.

*“For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to
preach the gospel, not in cleverness of speech, so
that the cross of Christ would not be made
void.” (1 Corinthians 1:17)*

Through one act of trust, you have joined yourself to the Lord. You can trust he HAS saved you for himself. His trusting Spirit is one with your soul. Your new person is God’s Person joined to your knower, wanter, and chooser. The flesh is dead, but your spirit is alive to God. You know the things of God. You know what he is up to. You know his plans for you. You, like he, have become a life-giving spirit through your nature, receiving his nature of sacrificial love.

*“So also it is written, ‘The first MAN, Adam,
BECAME A LIVING SOUL.’ The last
Adam became a life-giving spirit.” (1
Corinthians 15:45)*

Jesus was sent to you for you to be baptized in his life-giving Spirit. He is freely giving his life to all. You can reach out and take what has been given. Just slip your hand into his. Rest in what he is doing. Be natural—live love. As you consume the bread of life, you will give eternal life to every person you meet. As he was in this world, born as a sacrificial lamb, you live in this world ready to give life. Glory to God in the highest and this earth, peace in those with whom he is pleased to sacrifice. The indwelling resurrected Life of Christ in you gives glory to God’s victory over death. Jesus Christ’s Spirit resides in you to fill the gap of others’ sins by convincing them of their ungodly ways and inviting them to let God’s way sway them to

allegiance to his abilities to save through his Son Jesus Christ.

You are not bound to sin.

SEEDS OF HOPE

In Jesus Christ, we, too, are born to fall like seeds to the ground so that we may rise again and give glory to God. We are your artistry. We are your praise. We are displaying your artwork for all to see. Apart from Christ, there can be no other response to the sinfulness of humanity than the end of humanity bound to sin. Yet the good news is that we are in Christ Jesus and have all died. Also, in Christ, all have been made alive.

For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ, all will be caused to live. Note that even when we were dead in our transgressions, he made us alive together with Christ; by this gift, you have been released from sin and death. Make note: even when you were dead in your trespasses, transgressions, and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God caused you to live in union and unison with him. How? By having set you free from the consequences of each and every one of your transgressions. For Christ also died to remove sins once and for all, the just One for the unjust ones, so that he might bring you to God. He, having been put to death in the flesh, has been made alive in the Spirit. Your first self has been put to death. You, too, are alive in His Spirit. (See 1 Corinthians 15:22, Ephesians 2:5, Colossians 2:13, 1 Peter 3:18)

God's glory is the creation of many sons who despise a

life given to gratify their flesh but love to submit to Father's will. It is God's work that you trust the Son to do you.

"Therefore they said to Him, 'What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?' Jesus answered and said to them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent.'" (John 6:28-29)

God's highest glory is your being seated in Christ next to Father. By this, God's favor toward us is contrasted by our unworthiness. Sin has been rendered powerless by Christ's perfection. The perfect One and those perfected in the One coexist in fellowship with Father God.

Your identity as a sinner has been destroyed. Your identity is now hidden in Christ's perfection. You are in the sinless, obedient Son of God. You do not bring sin into the Son; he brings his perfection into you. Having been brought out of Adam and placed in Christ, you have been brought into his righteousness.

For the righteousness of God is revealed from trust to trust. It is written, "BUT THE RIGHTEOUS ONE SHALL LIVE BY TRUST." For all who trust share in the righteousness of God through the very trust of Jesus Christ, there is no distinction. You know about God's righteousness and need not seek to establish your own. You can subject yourself to the righteousness of God. He made Jesus, who knew no sin, to be for us, sin itself, so that you might know you are the righteousness of God in Christ. (See Romans 1:17, 3:22, 10:3, 2 Corinthians 5:21)

HIS WILL IS DONE

You are God's righteousness, found in Christ Jesus. That is huge! Union with sin killed you. Union with Christ has made you alive. His behavior is your new nature. If this is so, and it is, how then do you end up sinning?

The steps to sin and recovery from sinning.

- 1. The flesh convinces you that its desires are your desires.
- 2. You then trust this lie, and you try to change.
- 3. At some level, you think *yourself* is less than perfect and decide to do something to act like Jesus would act if he were here.
- 4. You have forgotten you are seated with Christ in his perfection.
- 5. Once you remember you have no life of your own but his, you repent and stop trying to be God.

The cure for this behavior is to have the same attitude concerning yourself as is in Christ Jesus. Although he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as a thing to be grasped. Instead, he emptied himself by taking on the form of a slave to Father's will. (see Philippians 2:5–8)

RECAP

Your union with Christ is nothing for you to grasp. Even though you are in some form of God reconciling the world to his love, you can empty yourself and be a human as humans were meant to be, which is being obedient to the will of the Father. Now, as a human being, you can, like

Jesus, be obedient to Father unto death, even a public execution if he so desires. His will for you is his desire to bring everyone to the subjection of Christ, have every knee bow, and proclaim him as the LORD.

*For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ, all will be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming, then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power, for He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be abolished is death, for He has put all things in subjection under His feet. But when He says, 'All things are put in subjection,' it is evident that He is excepted who put all things in subjection to Him. When all things are subjected to Him, the Son Himself will also be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, **so that God may be all in all.** (See 1 Corinthians 15:22–28)*

THE LEAP

You are not a sinner. You are a saint in Christ all the time. Your trust in God is your walking in the spirit. Then why do you sin? Because you distrust you are perfect. Sometimes, you don't feel whole. In Christ, there is no fear of sin or sinning. You are in Christ Jesus. No sin nor sinner resides in Christ's kingdom of love, for that Kingdom is founded on righteousness, joy, and peace in the Holy Spirit.

The pulls of the fleshly mind echo the Liar's thoughts like, "Life is up to me. If I don't do this or that, I'll die." The LIE places your sense of self on your flesh, while the

mind set on Christ remembers you are the righteousness of God in Christ.

Jesus's righteousness defines you, not sinful behavior. The Righteous One defines your 'I am'. Your righteousness in Christ allows you to live according to his living you. Just as when you were dead in sin, it was the dictates of sin enslaving you, so now righteousness rules you. In both cases, you think you are ruling yourself either successfully or not. In chapter seven of the book of Romans, Paul comes to this epiphany...

Oh, I am not the one trying to do Godly things. It is Satan.

Paul discovered he failed when he determined to roll up his sleeves, dug in his heels, and tried to do good. Not once, but every time he discovered a law, he failed when he tried to imitate God's stuff. This revelation was right on the heels of this discovery: it was the evil one himself trying to do God's stuff, not Paul.

GOD IS GOOD: GOD CAN DO GOD.

Only God can do good, every time.

That settled it. Coveting was no longer Paul's thought, stemming from some residual evil *sinful nature*. No, that old self was dead. He was one with the new man, Christ. Paul had the proper thought, "Christ doesn't covet," but he discovered he had no power to prevent a coveting thought from landing on his head. Paul discovered that his ability to be godly resided in God being himself every moment without Paul's help. Paul moved from letting thoughts define his person to letting God define him. Later, the Holy

Spirit brought that revelation to the Corinthians by Paul saying...

“We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ,” (2 Corinthians 10:5)

GOD IS THE DECIDING FACTOR

Sin’s root shoots through you when you decide to be the defining factor of what you can fruit. Simply put, it is rebellion; it is witchcraft. God commanded everyone to look to Christ and trust his ability to produce life out of death. When you obey this command, you discover you are totally dependent upon God. When you were without God as your source of living, everything you did was idolatry. Instead of God and God alone, you put your trust in everything you could do or gain.

For God, it is settled. Christ’s indwelling righteousness crucifies any thought that you are, from the core, a sinner trying to make yourself good. When you try to purify your heart, you sin. The sin is distrusting you are, right now, complete, perfect, total, and obedient, from the core to Father’s desires for you. You cannot try to be good if you have not decided you are not good.

Who told you you are not complete? Not Christ.

Adam and Eve attempted to create their goodness in the Garden of Eden. They believed they could achieve this goal by becoming more like God. They chose to continuously learn about good and evil so that they could emulate God and do good by avoiding evil. However, this

desire stemmed from a need they never had. They hoped to be the source of their godliness.

Are you trying to be optimistic flesh dwellers? Using the flesh to think good thoughts and do good things is a self-seeking righteousness. Only the Righteous One is right with God. That One is Christ. Not just what he did but what he is doing right now through your trust in him. Christ is your only hope, and this hope is enough. To do what? Nothing more than trust. You live by his trust. You live from one opportunity to trust (exercise faith) from one trust moment to the next. Your being right is revealed through your trust in the Right One.

“For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, ‘BUT THE RIGHTEOUS man SHALL LIVE BY FAITH.’” (Romans 1:17)

BE SEATED

When the angels declared GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, it was more than just about forgiveness of sins. It was also his body prepared for you. When Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit in Mary, he was the perfect vessel in which everyone conceived from Adam’s gene pool could fit. Jesus’s blood was created as the solvent to separate you from Mr. Sin as your father and transfer you to Abba Father’s bloodline. His sacrifice separated your soul from Mr. Sin and joined you by love to Christ’s Person. He in you makes you righteous. What is more significant than God’s glory revealed in the highest other than his Son and the sons in the Son? Christ has reconciled you to Father and, through his extended family, is still reconciling everything to himself.

His blood separates you from one dominion and places

you into another. There is no middle ground. You are either in Mr. Doubt or Mr. Trust. Christ reconciled you to Father God at a significant cost. Jesus paid the price to gather up every occurrence of distrust in God and lead it to its eternal home, utterly detached from unfaithfulness. You are, in Christ, transferred from one state of being into another. There is no in-between — we are either in a state of doubt or a state of trust. Through Jesus' actions, we are reconciled with God, but it came at a high price. Jesus paid that price by taking all of our distrust in God and leading it to a place where it can never cause unfaithfulness again.

Jesus did not die for his sins but to eliminate sin from the Kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy forever. Despite the Law of God stating that anyone who hangs on a tree is cursed, Christ's obedience led him to the cross. Jesus did not nail himself to the cross, but others did. However, the Law provided a way for sin to be legally crucified with Jesus's body, thus eradicating it.

“He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.” (2 Corinthians 5:21)

We now have a complete understanding of the situation. He not only took our sins upon himself but also embraced us. We all die with him, and by trusting in Christ, we also turn to him for life. Our new identity is only as permanent as his ability to live. He has given eternal living to everyone, but some remain eternally dead in their distrust while others are alive in Christ. What is this death? It is a mindset focused on the flesh. The last enemy of God is death - the mindset set on the flesh. In other words, when your core identity is no longer rooted in

the flesh but in Christ, your new life becomes one with Life himself.

“For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace,” (Romans 8:6)

“The last enemy that will be abolished is death.” (1 Corinthians 15:26)

Christ currently intercedes for you through his living presence. He embodies God’s glory and presence. In Christ, you share the same mindset as him and are seated with Father God in the heavens. This might sound impossible, but don’t think of heaven as a physical place above us. You are the temple of God.

“But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,” (Ephesians 2:4-6)

FRUIT OF UNION

The glory of God separates us from sin itself, enabling Christ to reside in us and reproduce his life through us. As the man of God and the man of sin cannot coexist, Jesus’ blood has separated these two entities. In Christ, we are made pure, perfect, and complete. The glory of God in the highest is reconciling us to Himself by His Son’s life. As we remain in him, he will remain in us. We were slaves to sin in Adam, but in Christ, we are slaves and servants to the

Righteous One who lives by trusting in Father God to do for us what he did for him.

Once caught, there is no escape. You have been caught.

Sin is distrusting God's abilities and is not compatible with accepting the sacrifice of Christ's life. He humbled himself to death on the cross.

THAT IS FULL COMMITMENT.

Once, a chicken and a hog walked past a restaurant advertising a ham and egg special. The chicken says to the hog, "Look! They are honoring us." The hog replays, "For you, it is an honor. For me, it is full commitment."

Through total commitment, Christ's perfect life was transformed into a life-giving Spirit producing many sons. You have nothing to give for such an exchange. Your death, though total, produces no life if, in its decaying husk, there is no seed of Life. If you have the Seed of God within, he clothes it with your life, expressing the root by the fruit on the shoot. The fruit of your spirit-soul union with Christ produces many children.

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." (Galatians 5:22-23)

RECEIVE THE TRUTH

“that is, the mystery which has been hidden from the past ages and generations, but has now been manifested to His saints, to whom God willed to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ.”
(Colossians 1:26-28)

This scripture proclaims that the mystery has been revealed, which is that God understands you. You are His child, His precious possession, and a reflection of His righteousness. He sought you out even when you were lost, helpless, and alone.

YOU ARE WHAT HE WANTS: YOU ARE PERFECT AND COMPLETE IN HIM.

Christ has taken up residence in you. You can receive this Truth today and get on with living. Christ is in you right now where you are. The life conceived in Mary exposed to this world, wrapped up in swaddling cloth and laid in a manger, that Life, that Spirit, that very same Person has taken up residence in you. Just as much as he took up residence in Mary and became a baby in Bethlehem, that same Spiritual Life, Christ himself, is again in an ordinary manger wrapped up in some disposable cloth. Christ wrapped up with you, is ready to love everyone and exchange the lie for the truth indiscriminately.

The lie is ‘it takes you to get God to behave safely.’ The truth is, ‘it takes God in you to get you to act safely.’ Sin

distrusts what God can do, especially concerning his Son Jesus Christ. Many see him, but few put their trust in him. To be sold out for God is to become a slave to his will. You get to do God's will every time. How?

JUST DON'T DO THE FLESH

You remain trapped in a falsehood as long as you believe that you are solely your physical body with its sensations, thoughts, and preferences. This falsehood tells you you have complete control over your actions and can do whatever you please. However, Jesus proclaimed the opposite of this notion.

"Therefore Jesus answered and was saying to them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner.'" (John 5:19)

"I can do nothing on My own initiative. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is just, because I do not seek My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me." (John 5:30)

"I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing." (John 15:5)

"For we can do nothing against the truth, but only for the truth." (2 Corinthians 13:8)

Christ's surrender to the will of his Father then reproduces his life in you right here and now. What he did then, submit to Father, he is still doing in you. Your soul gets to do God's will. What is the will of God for you?

*“And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.”
(Romans 12:2)*

Christ is the peace that brings joy within us. He is our peace with God and humanity. He was put on display in the most troublesome circumstances then and is prepared to live in human history in its most chaotic times. The only question left for you is ponderable...

Are you willing to be all God in you is willing to be?

YOUR PURPOSE

The sacrificial act of Christ is seen as evidence of his divinity. According to the Old Covenant, people were expected not only to anticipate the coming of Christ but also to receive him. His teaching was simple: “Be as perfect and complete as your heavenly Father. He bestows blessings upon all without discrimination; he shows no partiality.” In other words, he urged his followers to do the impossible: love their enemies. The New Covenant eliminates the need for us to be the author of what God is doing; instead, we become the recipients. To be obedient means to accept God’s will as our own, act on it, and accept the consequences of our actions. God is within us, preparing the work to be done and performing it. We are not the performers but rather the audience placed on a 3D stage of his life unfolding.

You suffer his loving others at his expense.

You are merely the container, and Christ is the bread of life. When you consume Christ, you are consumed by Christ. Your circumstances do not determine your history, but they display the will of Christ. If you doubt and distrust him, he turns it into his victory. If you trust and obey, he displays his victory. Either way, his will prevails. Let's make this simple: many people turn to Christ to escape their problems, but Christ in you dives into every problem, becoming the solution through obedience to the Holy Spirit.

*"Therefore, since Christ has suffered in the flesh,
arm yourselves also with the same purpose,
because he who has suffered in the flesh has
ceased from sin," (1 Peter 4:1)*

You were created anew in Christ to reconcile it to the Father. Your Egypt is Father's purposes revealed as much as Rome was Paul's. To emulate Jesus is to be prepared to be sacrificed.

*"Just as it is written, 'FOR YOUR SAKE WE
ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY
LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS
SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED.'"
(Romans 8:36)*

The one within defines the truth about you. Your behavior exemplifies your god. If you hate and kill and destroy, your god is your flesh. If you steal, lie, and bear false witness, your flesh is producing death. Bowing to the flesh's dictates expresses the god of 'it is up to me.' In contrast, your humility before God and obedience to his will proclaims him. What is Father's will?

“For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, and I Myself will raise him up on the last day.” (John 6:40)

Father’s will is simple: recognize Jesus as the only Christ and trust him completely. This means putting aside all trust in yourself and others. It may seem incredible, but surrendering entirely to God is the only way to have hope, even to complete the simplest tasks.

Jesus, as the sacrificial lamb of God, was bound to the Father’s will, and he has not changed his mind. We are called to exhibit the same mind that was in Christ Jesus now that he is in us. He has always been and always will be love - a love that conquers hate. This love does not destroy hate by defeating it with more hate but by breathing love into every opportunity to hate. Jesus, the sacrificial King of kings and Lord of lords is the intercessor who replaces hate and discord with himself - the embodiment of Love.

“Do not be surprised, brethren, if the world hates you.” (1 John 3:13, See also John 15:18)

GLORY REVEALED

Your life has been made compatible with God’s very nature, and you have become His life for others. Through your co-resurrection with Him, He gave you the authority to proclaim that you are a child of God. Being a child of God, the glory seen in the face of Christ is reflected on your face.

“For God, who said, ‘Light shall shine out of darkness,’ is the One who has shone in our

*hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the
glory of God in the face of Christ.” (2
Corinthians 4:6)*

The manifestation of Christ’s indwelling life becomes evident through you, reflecting God’s glory as you embrace LOVE. Christ within you is a redeemer, not a murderer. It is emphasized that no one should suffer for murder. While killing may be deemed justifiable by societal laws, to the one being killed, it remains an act of murder. The attempt to suppress the choice to love is not a novel concept. Throughout history, brave individuals have justified violence, claiming it brings peace. In contrast, Christ achieved peace by redeeming the souls of those mistreated by their brethren, including even the souls of the oppressors. The assertion is made that true innocence is only claimed when one trusts that the resident force in Mr. Love’s life is dedicated solely to promoting love.

GOD IS LOVE

LOVE embodies the essence of God. The pinnacle of God’s glory is realized through Christ within you—the sole and ultimate source of hope for glory. The presence of Christ in you represents the flawless plan, with his birth among humankind marked by sacrificial love. Furthermore, his resurrected life, now alive in you, is a testament to God’s glory and magnificence. God, synonymous with Christ in you, manifests through the reproduction of Jesus’s life within you. The age-old proclamation of “Peace on Earth and Good Will toward men” was a historical event that continues through Christ’s life in you. Fear and hatred towards enemies find no justification, as God orchestrates a feast in their presence, allowing you to offer them the finest sustenance. Jesus

symbolized as the bread and wine of life, is served through your embodiment of his love, even when faced with hostility. Your being cracked open by adversity only reveals an abundance of love directed toward those who may harbor hate.

LOVE TRANSFORMED YOU. LET LOVE TRANSFORM OTHERS.

Through faith, you embraced the idea that his life eradicated your sins. That faith leads you to believe that his life dwelling within you is more than enough. Your faith journey aligns with his life, lived through you by faith—an expression of his trust in the Father. His ways remain unchanged; in the past, he personified grace, and you can confidently rely on his life being personified through you, driven by the same trust he places in the Father. Your resurrection is intertwined with his, establishing a spiritual union. As the Life-giving Spirit, he unites with your soul, creating a oneness. In this union, he is referred to as the last Adam.

You get to live LIFE.

“So also it is written, ‘The first MAN, Adam, BECAME A LIVING SOUL.’ The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.” (1 Corinthians 15:45)

“But the one who joins himself to the Lord is one spirit with Him.” (1 Corinthians 6:17)

“By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world.” (1 John 4:17)

You’ve experienced a rebirth and now dwell in a state

of tranquility, purified and consecrated for his purpose—sanctified and embodying the righteousness of God in him, where his wisdom shapes your identity. You’ve been redeemed, and he claims ownership over you. With the power and authority to infuse you with his essence and character, as exemplified in Christ Jesus, he has the capability and rightful authority. In the revelation of Christ, four words eliminate any need for fear of God, for he declares as loud as possible...

“I, God, Love you.”

THE SACRIFICE CONTINUES

The benevolence of GOD’S GRACE, GOODWILL, PEACE, and JOY is bestowed through his sacrificial act. His continual indwelling in your life perpetuates this giving through sacrifice. Redemption is embodied in the resurrected life of Jesus Christ residing within. Equipped with his skills, you witness the rebirth of Christ in others. The manifestation of God’s incarnate life is evident through Christ, revealed by his Spirit dwelling within. Each moment, every day, holds significance as a divine moment. The Spirit connected to you is sent to all, aiming for a magnificent outcome. God’s grand design is to encompass the entirety of existence. This implies that your location cannot be anywhere else but where he resides.

“If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also.” (John 14:3)

Christ has reappeared as the Holy Spirit, immersing us in God’s Love. The Spirit resides within you, and his Divine Life and spiritual reality have been gifted to you.

The sole means of conveying his Divine Life to others is through its expression in and through you. Transitioning from one incarnation of God's Spirit joined to a soul to multiple souls embodying the Spirit of God. He hasn't saved you merely to change your address but to unite you to his life-giving Spirit. The essence of need has been eradicated; love and generosity prevail, replacing any remnants of need and greed. Your purpose isn't to establish him; instead, he has accommodated you to be unleashed upon this world in myriad forms.

Your availability to Father reproduces hope in the hopeless.

Let's praise God, who came to bring about a rebirth to peace and joy in his creation. He harbors no hatred towards humanity but has eradicated every soul's attachment to the flesh driven by the spirit of error. This spirit contradicts God's declaration that trusting Christ is sufficient. Christ, manifested in numerous ways, asserts that trust is adequate. If his life is visibly reborn in you, there's no doubt that the same God can become Emmanuel for anyone, signifying 'God With Us.' The method of transferring his life to you remains consistent for all. The Spirit of Love, vibrant within you, ignites every soul you encounter as they witness your complete surrender to his life living through you. If loving everyone were not deemed humanly impossible, God's Abundant Life, bestowed by Christ, would be attainable through human means. When you embrace Christ's love, you renounce self-love. Upon discovering that your heart exclusively embraces God's Love, without attachment to anyone or anything else, you attain freedom from all fears. That love uniformly spills onto every fearful heart.

Gush love and gain a friend for eternity.

ASSURANCE

“The cross was necessary for the resurrection to take effect within you. God is present with you, unlike how He was present with David or Moses who had to rely on indirect signs of His presence. God is with you to convey His glory and to bring His Son once again on this Earth. You have become the bearer of the joyous news, the good news which is that Christ is in you, the very hope that others can see and trust in Him.”

Here is a story to this point.

Let's say you live with thousands on an island and hear a report that the God of Love's children live on another island many miles away. You and several others are commissioned to travel to that island, observe how God behaves through his children, and report your discovery. Once there, you observed the people as being filled with all kinds of unrighteousness, wickedness, greed, evil, envy, murder, strife, deceit, and malice; they are gossips, slanderers, verbal haters of God as love, insolent, arrogant, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, without understanding, untrustworthy, unloving, unmerciful. They claim they know the life of God, and that those who practice such things are worthy of death, but they not only do the same but also give hearty approval to those who practice them. What do you report back? Do you say,

“They are children of the God of Love, but not yet?”

“And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper,

being filled with all unrighteousness, wickedness, greed, evil; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, malice; they are gossips, slanderers, haters of God, insolent, arrogant, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, without understanding, untrustworthy, unloving, unmerciful; and although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them.” (Romans 1:28-32)

Christ living in you is not a self-improvement project; he has already saved you and made you a part of his family, giving you his nature and characteristics. Trying to resist his loving nature requires significant effort. If you are not transformed by the good news that he is your life, what other news could you want? Claiming to be a sinner and relying on your flesh for perfection is a rebellion against God. Still, repentance involves identifying with the Holy Spirit, who is connected to your soul. Doubts may be familiar, but they rebel against Christ's perfection. Instead of trying to improve yourself, trust in God's ability to reproduce his life in you. Distrusting God should be an exception for you, and although God doesn't hold it against you, persisting in this doubt can harm your soul. Once you realize that you think your own effort serves God, change your perspective and trust that God is actively working out what he has worked in you. What has he worked in you? Jesus!

JESUS WAS RESURRECTED WITH THE CAPACITY
TO HOUSE EVERY SOUL EVER CONCEIVED.

Heaven is not a physical location but a person - Jesus Christ. When you place your faith in him, you acknowledge that you are a part of his being, and his life is intertwined with and flows through your soul. However, some individuals may doubt this positive message and even become angry about it. They may claim, "I'm not a robot!" which demonstrates that they do not want to follow God's will, even for a moment. They would rather die trying than get down to living.

**If you do not know you are saved, you will fear
death.**

*"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out
fear, because fear involves punishment, and the
one who fears is not perfected in love." (1 John
4:18)*

DONE DEAL

You are whole, complete, perfect, sinless, righteous, and holy. You are full of wisdom and sanctified in and by Christ Jesus. It is a gift to trust in this fact. It is Father's intention for us to be found in Christ Jesus, who is our permanent address. You are included in the center of His love. Some people believe their salvation is limited to the forgiveness of sins, but let's look at these two words: forgiveness and salvation. The biblical word translated as forgiveness implies being lifted and released from a situation and then brought into a new and better situation. In Christ, we have been rescued from slavery to sin. Salvation means we have been rescued and remain safe in

Christ, who holds us in his hand. We were not redeemed with an expiration date; what our Father has gathered, he keeps. What he has begun, he finishes. We were raised with Christ, never to be rejected. Our soul's destiny is the Person of persons who cannot die nor change. He is captured by his Father's will, making us also captive to Father's will.

You have been saved from the dominion of sin.

That is a done deal, and know this forgiveness is not salvation. Salvation is his resurrected Divine Life living in you to the glory of God by grace. It is the blood that has solved the problem. Jesus gave eternal existence to all. Those who choose to distrust Christ as their Lord, King, and Priest remain right where they were put when included in Christ's death. Even now, those stuck in their decaying identity can trust him. Not one is beyond repenting [changing their mind that Christ is enough]. No one has to get saved. Just receive the salvation you have been given. Begin trusting him and remain trusting him. Being born of mud and then raised into Christ living is much more miraculous than the process of an ovum becoming a butterfly.

YOU ARE SAVED. RECEIVE!

You don't have to get saved; you have already been saved. Receive Christ as having been crucified for your sin. Trust you have been born anew in Christ's resurrected person. Joining his life is up to you at heart level. You either love his loving you in your unlovable self, or you postpone giving your life to God until you think you are worthy of him. In short, these people demand that Father accept you on your terms. Not a good idea (NAGI).

He has saved you; it is his deal and finished.

DOWN TO EARTH

God revealed his love to the world by sending his son Jesus Christ to be born in a manger. Through Jesus, God's love can now reside in and on the earth he created. Jesus is like a vessel containing all of God and creation. Those who trust in God, like Jesus did, are also included in this divine vessel.

God has the power to give life and also to take it away. He can create calamity and peace; his ways are beyond our understanding. The life we experience with Christ in us is like another manger on earth, but it is not just a temporary launchpad to a better home in the stars. Instead, it is an eternal and meaningful life we can experience here and now.

*“‘Though you build high like the eagle, Though you set your nest among the stars, From there I will bring you down,’ declares the LORD.”
(Obadiah 1:4)*

Following God's direction means making the same decisions Christ made when he was in his physical body. Currently, those decisions are being made again in his extended body. Life is not just about you living for Christ but about Christ living through you for the Father. It's not about Christ being separate from you or what God will do despite your actions. The grace of God is a gift, and His gift is Himself through His Son, making Father God visible in His new manger. As declared in the Old Testament, Jesus is our Ark of the New Covenant.

“‘But this is the covenant which I will make with

the house of Israel after those days,' declares the LORD, 'I will put My law within them and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.'" (Jeremiah 31:33)

If you believe that God is able and willing and has transformed you to reflect His character, then you can trust that this promise has been fulfilled in Christ. The law of love should govern our lives, as Jesus summed up the message in a straightforward statement.

"Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love." (John 15:9)

Let's get down to earth and love one another.

REST AND NEST

The presence of your Father is with you at this very moment. His presence is his essence, and since it resides within you, it also defines you. He has already performed the tasks of redemption, salvation, purification, and ownership, so now he dwells in you. Even Jesus had to let go of his desires towards the end of his life and submit to the Father's will. Similarly, Christ lives in you, and you are free to go beyond the limitations of the flesh and every thought that originates from it. Your new mindset is a humble heart that reflects the will of the Father. Ultimately, you will realize that you do not control your life.

"At that time Jesus said, 'I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have revealed them to infants. Yes, Father, for this

way was well-pleasing in Your sight. All things have been handed over to Me by My Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father; nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and anyone to whom the Son wills to reveal Him. Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”
(Matthew 11:25-30)

Faith is like a tree that we can rest and nest upon. God initiated Christ to do his divine will in us, and this story expands to all who trust in Christ, the Last Adam, who has no sinful nature. The flesh is always trying to catch up with the willing Spirit. Jesus showed us that we could live obediently by allowing him to be the life we live. Unlike the first Adam, who distrusted God and ate the poisonous fruit, Jesus remained obedient and became the fruit of the Tree of Life, which we can freely eat. If we have faith in this fruit, it can bring us joy and peace.

You become what you eat.

HIS WILL IS FOR YOU

By faith, Christ is alive within you and expressing Himself through you today. The glory of Heaven is present only because of Christ's presence within you here on Earth. To be absent from this body reveals all of life in Christ. So, remain mindful of your body and remember that He is joined to your soul. You are a new creation.

As a believer, you are experiencing the growth from the

impossible to the everyday reality. The unseen Creator of this universe has taken residence in many earth forms for a reason. Once humbled in total submission to Jesus, we are the catalysts that become the gift the Father receives from the Son. This gift allows God to be the all in all. Not one part will be less than the all, nor will the all be missing any one part. This is incredible!

God in all is nothing less than the all in God.

“When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself also will be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may be all in all.” (1 Corinthians 15:28)

What a plan! It seems like a backward way of getting the job done. You submitted yourself entirely to death so that Life itself might be revealed. The life of Christ in you creates a new you. Merely agreeing that you have been born again changes nothing but your attitude. A believer has agreed with God that doubt and distrust are useless while trust is essential. Claim your inheritance in Jesus Christ. When you relinquish control of your life, He has your heart. Thinking that you are in control ignores the fact that He is in control. Humbling yourself to His control is trusting totally in him.

Discover his will for you.

Right now, pause, humble your heart and soul, and receive Jesus, the gift of God, as your LORD, God, and Savior. Repent of trying to be your destiny. Accept Him as your life and destiny. It is so!

ETERNAL LIFE

The indwelling life of Christ is a fundamental principle that speaks to our life in Christ. Our core was created to reveal that Christ is the reason for every person's existence. The gospel teaches us that our forgiveness in Him is more than just having Jesus remove our fear, guilt, and shame. He has transformed our 'I' from a self-centered flesh-self to His very life-giving Spirit-self. We are not God but the expression of His love, person, and nature.

We are no longer sinners saved by grace, but we are God's grace to sinners. We walk in the righteousness of God, which is birthed in us by Christ's life living through us. Christ, who was once dead, now lives through us for others. Anything less than the indwelling life of Christ in union with us is not good news.

THE GOOD NEWS WAS REVEALED TO YOU

“to whom God willed to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.” (Colossians 1:27)

The life of Christ within us is a revelation for all humanity to behold. His life-affirming reality is a story that he shares with us, not just for our benefit but also for the benefit of others. We are what he shares with our families and every person we meet. Christ's glory is revealed to the world, living through us, making us the windows to his soul.

Christ's life within us is what humanity seeks but often rejects. It is the only hope of making God visible, tangible, and accessible to all. We can love everyone indiscriminately through Christ's love within us, just as we have been forgiven and forgive others.

The glory of God is revealed through Christ reborn within us, connecting the dots of life and making it simple and immediate. As we become Christ's good news, life becomes more apparent. Anyone who claims Christ is not present within our flesh is a liar, and the truth does not have fellowship with that lie.

“Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God; and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God; this is the spirit of the antichrist, of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world. You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world. They are from the world; therefore they speak as from the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God; he who knows God listens to us; he who is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.” (1 John 4:1-6)

Humanity desires to desire. Christ has eliminated all such desires. Only those celebrating his completeness can genuinely understand the difference between life and death. Physical death is insignificant when compared to a soul's quest for identity in material possessions. That kind of death is eternal. After physical death, only one thing can be grasped, the Gift of God, which is Life itself. It is as simple as having faith in the name of Jesus, which means “Jehovah is your Salvation.” This doesn't imply that

Jehovah offers salvation as something distinct from himself, but rather, he offers himself as the very life you were meant to live. When you believe in Christ, he is resurrected within you, and he is the glory of God in the highest.

Christ within you means that his divine life can now live as a human being, not as a human merely doing, but as Father God has determined you to be. Even Pharaoh's actions gave God glory, and his rebellion proved that God was more significant than even the most powerful ruler of that time. You, too, will give God glory, bow to his will, and demonstrate his tolerance and forgiveness. The truth is that you have been judged, condemned, crucified, and reborn in Christ Jesus. To have Christ is to have Father God as your all and in all. Anything less than that is just a lost soul striving to be something other than what they are.

CALL UPON THE NAME OF NAMES: RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST.

“If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater; for the testimony of God is this, that He has testified concerning His Son. The one who believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself; the one who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has given concerning His Son. And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.” (1 John 5:9-13)

If you have the son having you, you have the life you were meant to live.

Blessings, my friends, you have what it takes...

“Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His glory and excellence. For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.” (2 Peter 1:2-4)

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