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Crucified with Christ., on: 2016/7/23 2:24

In order to see ourselves as crucified with Christ, and in union with Christ, we need to have our spiritual eyes opened by direct revelation from God, and we must pray as in Ephesians 1:17, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto us the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him.

One day we 'knew' that our sins were forgiven because Christ died on the cross, and we must also 'know' one day, that we were there with Him and because of that, our old nature, the nature that was ruled by sin and was therefore separated from the presence of God, was crucified with Him.

This took place in the past, two thousand years ago, it is not something to hope for and to pray over and over about, for the future. It was done in the past by Christ taking us with Him, not through anything we could achieve, by our Bible reading, obedience to God's commandments, church attendance, taking of the sacraments, nothing. Christ did it all.

He freed us from the power of sin and all that we need in order to have this power effective in our lives today 'that henceforth we should not serve sin, for he that is dead is freed from sin' is to place our faith in this and in Christ who came to save us from sin and our lukewarmness, discouragement, dryness, fears, doubts, lack of love, coldness of heart, and deadness.

Our old nature or flesh, is not to be improved upon but seen as dead and when we have received this knowledge into our hearts as well as our minds, we can then 'reckon' and put it into practice, working out what God has worked in, and be enabled to walk in newness of Life in fellowship with and led by the S

Re: Crucified with Christ. - posted by StirltUp (), on: 2016/7/23 5:16

Hi sister Brenda,

Thank God for the Holy Spirit and how He guides us into all truth. Every born again child of God has the Spirit of God dwelling in him/her and we can be sure He will lead us to that point of surrender and of faith where we enter into rest. I have quoted some of my favorite verses in Romans here below from the Phillips translation (not because I prefer it, necessarily, but it is on my desktop and I could easily copy the verses :))

I remember with great joy and thankfulness the day when the Holy Spirit brought me into this experience of rest. I had been struggling with certain fleshly temptation and, as is human, was trying to resist and overcome in my own strength. The Holy Spirit clearly spoke in me and said: "Give Me your time and I will do the work" I did just that, spending time praying and worshiping, sometimes just lying on the floor in the presence of God. He led me to a book of Andrew Murray' called Absolute Surrender and another one Humility, and through these writings brought me to a place of surrender and faith where I "died" to my own efforts and rested on His finished work.

It was a real internal struggle as between Jacob and the angel. As Andrew Murray teaches, you need to come to the point of brokenness and saying: "Lord I cannot but You can. You can do it in and through me. I give up and cast myself completely upon you."

There is such a battle of self will at this stage, but Andrew Murray also writes that our loving Lord understands this and we can pray: "I do not feel willing, Lord, but I am willing to be made willing"

Those words really helped me enter in and my life has never been the same since!

It is when our will is given up and surrendered to His will that we truly enter in.

Now one of my favorite definitions of "faith" is: Not I but Christ!

I hope these words can help someone else enter in to their "land of abundance" and of victory over self and sin.

Paul quoted below:

8:1-2 - No condemnation now hangs over the head of those who are "in" Jesus Christ. For the new spiritual principle of life "in" Christ lifts me out of the old vicious circle of sin and death.

8:3-4 - The Law never succeeded in producing righteousness - the failure was always the weakness of human nature. But God has met this by sending his own Son Jesus Christ to live in that human nature which causes the trouble. And, while Christ was actually taking upon himself the sins of men, God condemned that sinful nature. So that we are able to meet the Law's requirements, so long as we are living no longer by the dictates of our sinful nature, but in obedience to the promptings of the Spirit.

8:5-8 - The carnal attitude sees no further than natural things. But the spiritual attitude reaches out after the things of the spirit. The former attitude means, bluntly, death: the latter means life and inward peace. And this is only to be expected, for the carnal attitude is inevitably opposed to the purpose of God, and neither can nor will follow his laws for living. Men who hold this attitude cannot possibly please God.

What the presence of Christ within means

8:9-11 - But you are not carnal but spiritual if the Spirit of God finds a home within you. You cannot, indeed, be a Christian at all unless you have something of his Spirit in you. Now if Christ does live within you his presence means that your sinful nature is dead, but your spirit becomes alive because of the righteousness he brings with him. I said that our nature is "dead" in the presence of Christ, and so it is, because of its sin. Nevertheless once the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead lives within you he will, by that same Spirit, bring to your whole being new strength and vitality.

8:12-13 - So then, my brothers, you can see that we have no particular reason to feel grateful to our sensual nature, or to live life on the level of the instincts. Indeed that way of living leads to certain spiritual death. But if on the other hand you cut the nerve of your instinctive actions by obeying the Spirit, you are on the way to real living.

Christ is within - follow the lead of his Spirit

8:14-17 - All who follow the leading of God's Spirit are God's own sons. Nor are you meant to relapse into the old slavish attitude of fear - you have been adopted into the very family circle of God and you can say with a full heart, "Father, my Father". The Spirit himself endorses our inward conviction that we really are the children of God. Think what that means. If we are his children we share his treasures, and all that Christ claims as his will belong to all of us as well! Yes, if we share in his suffering we shall certainly share in his glory.

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Please realize that I have no power to open your eyes to this glorious truth concerning your freedom in Christ. Only the Holy Spirit of God can do that so now just ask God and expect that by His Holy Spirit to take the things of Christ and then show them to you. As he does this your eyes will be opened and you will see these truths in a greater detail than you ever have before.

If you are having problems or issues in walking and experiencing Christ's victory or if you have been struggling to be freed from sin then this article is for you.

Most of us have no problem in believing the fact that Christ was crucified and died on the cross for us. This was an unchangeable and irrevocable historical and Spiritual act of God. Even if you chose not to believe in this fact, it still remains a fact.

Now was Christ's death real or potential? It was real in every possible way. He really died and He did shed his blood. There was absolutely nothing potential about it.

Now what did you have to do concerning this act of God?

Did you agree with it or even consent to it?

Did you even get to vote for it?

NO!

You had absolutely nothing with to do with it all!

This act was all of God's doing because of His supreme love for you.

Do you know that when Christ was crucified that you were crucified with Him?

Do you know that when Christ was buried you were buried with Him?

Do you know that when Christ rose from the dead you were raised with Him in newness of life?

Now I went to many churches and some completely different denominations for many years without even hearing this truth. The places that I did hear this truth they only taught it as some potential or a positional truth that somehow I had to attain to or acquire by my efforts.

Let us see what God's word says concerning this truth.

Rom 6:3-7; "Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him."

Rom. 6:18; "Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness."

Rom. 6:22; "But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life."

Rom. 8:2-3; "For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh"

2 Cor. 5:14-15; "For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again."

Gal. 2:20; "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."

Look at what Watchman Nee wrote in his book "The Normal Christian Life."

"In these verses it is made clear that the death of the Lord Jesus is representative and inclusive. In His death we all died. None of us can progress spiritually without seeing this. Just as we cannot have justification if we have not seen Him bearing our sins on the Cross, so we cannot have sanctification if we have not seen Him bearing us on the Cross. Not only have our sins been laid on Him but we ourselves have been put into Him.

How did you receive forgiveness? You realized that the Lord Jesus died as your Substitute and bore your sins upon Himself, and that His Blood was shed to cleanse away your defilement. When you saw your sins all taken away on the Cross what did you do? Did you say, 'Lord Jesus, please come and die for my sins'? No, you did not pray at all; you only thanked the Lord. You did not beseech Him to come and die for you, for you realized that He had already done it.

But what is true of your forgiveness is also true of your deliverance. The work is done. There is no need to pray but only to praise. God has put us all in Christ, so that when Christ was crucified we were crucified also. Thus there is no need to pray: 'I am a very wicked person; Lord, please crucify me'. That is all wrong. You did not pray about your sins; why pray now about yourself? Your sins were dealt with by His Blood, and you were dealt with by His Cross. It is an accomplished fact. All that is left for you to do is to praise the Lord that when Christ died you died also; you died in Him. Praise Him for

it and live in the light of it. "Then believed they his words: they sang his praise" (Psalm 106:12). Do you believe in the death of Christ? Of course you do. Well, the same Scripture that says He died for us says also that we died with Him. Look at it again: "Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). That is the first statement, and that is clear enough; but is this any less clear? "Our old man was crucified with him" (Romans 6:6). "We died with Christ" (Romans 6:8).

When are we crucified with Him? What is the date of our old man's crucifixion? Is it tomorrow? Yesterday? Today? In order to answer this it may help us if for a moment I turn Paul's statement round and say, 'Christ was crucified with (i.e. at the same time as) our old man'. Some of you came here in twos. You traveled to this place together. You might say, 'My friend came here with me', but you might just as truly say, 'I came here with my friend'. Had one of you come three days ago and the other only today you could not possibly say that; but having come together you can make either statement with equal truth, because both are statements of fact. So also in historic fact we can say, reverently but with equal accuracy, 'I was crucified when Christ was crucified' or 'Christ was crucified when I was crucified', for they are not two historical events, but one. My crucifixion was "with him". Has Christ been crucified? Then can I be otherwise? And if He was crucified nearly two thousand years ago, and I with Him, can my crucifixion be said to take place tomorrow? Can His be past and mine be present or future? Praise the Lord, when He died in my stead, but He bore me with Him to the Cross, so that when He died I died. And if I believe in the death of the Lord Jesus, then I can believe in my own death just as surely as I believe in His.

Why do you believe that the Lord Jesus died? What is your ground for that belief? Is it that you feel He has died? No, you have never felt it. You believe it because the Word of God tells you so. When the Lord was crucified, two thieves were crucified at the same time. You do not doubt that they were crucified with Him, either, because the Scripture says so quite plainly.

You believe in the death of the Lord Jesus and you believe in the death of the thieves with Him. Now what about your own death? Your crucifixion is more intimate than theirs. They were crucified at the same time as the Lord but on different crosses, whereas you were crucified on the self same cross as He, for you were in Him when He died. How can you know? You can know for the one sufficient reason that God has said so. It does not depend on your feelings. If you feel that Christ has died, He has died; and if you do not feel that he died, He has died. If you feel that you have died, you have died; and if you do not feel that you have died, you have nevertheless just as surely died. These are Divine facts. That Christ has died is a fact, that the two thieves have died is a fact, and that you have died is a fact also. Let me tell you, You have died! You are done with! You are ruled out! The self you loathe is on the Cross in Christ. And "he that is dead is freed from sin" (Romans 6:7, A.V.)."

Just look at some things God has already done for you and in you.

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having forgiven you all trespasses, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

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Re: Crucified with Christ., on: 2016/7/23 5:19

sorry - double post

Re: - posted by brothagary, on: 2016/7/23 6:21

Strangely enough, I never read this thread before I posted a thread just now, and read this thread and the comments I can't help but think that the spirit is witnessing, because I read the same thing here. As in the beginning of my thread, that was an old thread from a few years ago, which seems to be the main thrust prior to a prophecy about the holy spirit

Amen to what I've read here!

Re: - posted by brothagary, on: 2016/7/23 6:27

It's all through faith, according to his grace, may we grasp the truth through a spiritual and lively faith, ignited by the holy spirit, a faith that burns in our hearts as well as our minds, a faith in the truth, that purifies us, from all ungodliness!!

Re: - posted by StirltUp (), on: 2016/7/23 7:41

Amen brothers and sister!

This is a crucial message to believers and as Tuc quoted Watchman Nee, without understanding this, further spiritual progress is impossible!

Many believers are still babies because they have not gone on in grace!

They are still caught in the wilderness of sinning and asking for forgiveness as a habitual lifestyle when in fact the Normal Christian Life is that of Joshua and Caleb who entered the Promised Land of abundance and blessing, because they believed God and obeyed.

Thanks Tuc, for those scripture references. Every believer who desires this victorious life we speak of must read and meditate on Romans 5 through 8 and apply what is written there.

In His Love

William

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2016/7/23 9:52

Some wonderful things shared in this thread. It is very true that we are crucified with Christ, such is a key to victory in the Christian life.

The only addition I would say is that we are actually given a new heart and are not sinners in reality but saints now! Children of God.

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God has made us who were sinners to become saints not just in word but in actual experience. Such is our standing now that we become holy because of the blood of Christ and His redeeming work. Our heart is made new as we grow into His likeness.²⁷⁴ Yet from this vantage point of being a redeemed saint of God we should never look down on or despise others who are still in the filth of sin being outside of Christ, for it is from hence we came!²⁷⁵ Thus the true work of Christ in us allows us to love all others because God in Christ loves all: "Who gave Himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time."²⁷⁶

from: https://ia600202.us.archive.org/28/items/principlesv4/11_Principle10.pdf

Re: - posted by PaulWest (), on: 2016/7/23 12:28

I agree with Greg. Awesome material here. These are all timeless truths, but the amazing thing is they are all "according to your faith" by appropriation. For those who do not "reckon" them to be such, to them it is not. And vice-versa. What an ingenious design! It precludes all boasting. And if anyone attempts to bring willpower merit to faith, we are reminded that even our faith itself is of the Son of God, the Author of it.

Re: , on: 2016/7/23 15:12

Amen! God does not regard His children, (those who have faith in His Son) as sinners.

1Jn 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

Isa 56:5 Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

Re: - posted by twayneb (), on: 2016/7/23 16:36

Amen Paul! The reality of our being crucified WITH Christ is powerful, but like all things that God has provided it must be entered into by faith.

This one truth, that we have died with Christ is perhaps the biggest truth in scripture in my opinion. How can we be reborn if we do not first die? We have been guilty of reducing salvation to freely offered forgiveness of sin that results in a ticket to heaven and not hell. This is a serious misrepresentation of the Gospel, and its result is a powerless church that is still bound by sin and defeated in its everyday life.

I am sure that my ancestors in the faith realized this. They taught three distinct experiences in a Christian's life that were offered by the grace of God. Salvation was also called justification and simply dealt with past sin. Sanctification was called the rebirth, and dealt with the inclination to sin, and our victory over sin. Then there was the baptism of the Holy Spirit. I am not sure I agree with the exact way it was presented, but I totally understand the spirit of it.

Jesus said that if any would come after Him, they must deny themselves, take up their cross, and follow Him. Paul teaches us in Romans 6 (Perhaps one of the greatest chapters in all of scripture) that we have died to sin and self and have our life in Christ.

This is important. It is in this death and resurrection that we have victory over sin and the flesh. I would estimate that 95% or better of our temptation comes from within, not from without. We are told that every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his OWN lust and enticed. If we do not understand our own crucifixion and resurrection, we will not have victory over our flesh.

James tells us that faith without corresponding action is dead. Our own repentance and surrender to God in every area of life is the action that demonstrates our faith in our being crucified with Him. We deny ourselves, we take up our cross, we submit ourselves to Him in every area of life as a response to the reality that we have been crucified with Him, and that we are dead to sin. His response to our act of faith is grace, divine empowerment by His Holy Spirit to live through us (it is no longer I that live but Christ that lives in me) and to give us victory over our the lusts of our flesh.

Re: - posted by StirltUp (), on: 2016/7/23 16:38

Amen and amen!

Glory to God in the highest!...and on earth peace and goodwill to men.

Grace to you, brothers!

Re: - posted by twayneb (), on: 2016/7/23 16:41

Quote:

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Amen William. He has broken down the middle wall of partition and I have been restored to right relationship with God. I now have peace with Him.

Re: - posted by StirltUp (), on: 2016/7/23 16:56

Amen Travis!

That's why in heaven we will sing: "Worthy the Lamb Who was slain!

By His blood He has purchased us from every tribe and tongue and nation, and made us a kingdom priests unto our God!

Let us continually lift up to God the sacrifice of praise, which is the fruit of our lips, giving thanks!

Blessings,

William

Re: - posted by Christinyou (), on: 2016/7/24 21:17

Tuc put in his post;

Quote; ""This is the truth that sets you free.

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Praise God Tuc, the time is now.

I came here over ten years ago, speaking "Christ in you the hope of glory", there was nothing, then you came also expounding, "Christ in you". God is truly faithful, for look what is happening. The time is now. Thank you for being answer to prayer. I hear you and there are others who now hear, "Christ in you the Hope of Glory" and "it is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me".

Christ in us is truly the One that gets all the Glory given Him by the Father, for what He has done and greater things than these are we destined for because of Him being our life.

The time is now brother tuc, Praise God for Him in you.

In Christ: Phillip

Re: - posted by StirltUp (), on: 2016/7/25 2:51

and because what we have shared is truth, brethren, let us earnestly adhere to the advice / admonition given by the apostle Paul:

Phillipians 2:12-13 - So then, my dearest friends, as you have always followed my advice - and that not only when I was present to give it - so now that I am far away be keener than ever to work out the salvation that God has given you with a proper sense of awe and responsibility. For it is God who is at work within you, giving you the will and the power to achieve his purpose.

Colossians 1:21-23 - And you yourselves, who were strangers to God, and, in fact, through the evil things you had done, his spiritual enemies, he has now reconciled through the death of his body on the cross, so that he might welcome you to his presence clean and pure, without blame or reproach. This reconciliation assumes, of course, that you maintain a firm position in the faith, and do not allow yourselves to be shifted away from the hope of the Gospel, which you have heard, and which, indeed, the whole world is now having an opportunity of hearing.

Hebrews 2:1-4 - We ought, therefore, to pay the greatest attention to the truth that we have heard and not allow ourselves to drift away from it.

Hebrews 3:12-15 - You should therefore be most careful, my brothers, that there should not be in any of you that wickedness of heart which refuses to trust, and deserts the cause of the living God. Help each other to stand firm in the faith every day, while it is still called "today", and beware that none of you becomes deaf and blind to God through the delusive glamour of sin. For we continue to share in all that Christ has for us so long as we steadily maintain until the end the trust with which we began. These words are still being said for our ears to hear: 'Today, if you will hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion'.

His grace be with your spirits, brethren,

William

Re: - posted by Christinyou (), on: 2016/7/25 6:26

Hi Travis,

I was blessed by your post, Yes death to my old spirit, which was of Satanic origin, My cross that I am supposed to pick up was the only Cross that could make my death with Christ a thing of such importance. For the Cross that I died on was the Cross that Paul was expounding upon in Gal 2:20. That is my cross that I was crucified with Christ upon.

This has been a stumbling block for me for a long time, taking the explanation that my cross was what I had to endure in

this world as my being like Christ and suffering here conformed me to Christ as He suffered. Praise God, reading your post, the light came on and The Holy Spirit knowing when the time was right, that I now can understand that my Cross was the Cross of Christ of whom I was crucified with, and given new birth by the Spirit of Christ birthed, (born again) of incorruptible Seed of the Word of God who is Christ on the Cross and me with Him, dead to self and alive unto God.

Praise God, Truth; Galatians 2:20 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.

1 Peter 1:23-25 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

This truly is the Gospel, Crucified with Christ and born again of the incorruptible Seed of the Father Jesus Christ.

Colossians 1:26-29 Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus: Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

This is truly the fulfillment of the Word of God, dead to self and the world but alive to God in the Spirit by the Christ in me. I now can pick up my cross and know that it was His Cross that I died on.

Truly a son of God in Christ: Phillip

Re: Crucified with Christ - posted by RevSRE (), on: 2016/7/25 14:05

What a wonderful thread. This truth should start every sermon and change the world, but it is only discussed by a few and seldom preached. We hear how sin full and lost every one is.

Where did the Church lose sight of the BEAUTIFUL TRUTH discussed in this thread. I so often hear teaching ranging from "You are so sinful, God has to do it all, for all your life you must be under and struggle with a controlling sin nature.

There is VICTORY IN JESUS! Why do we not hear more teaching of this victory?

I hear preachers talking about "Repentant Sinners" almost to the point you would think we have to be saved or at least repent of our many sins every week, day, hour.

But, the work of Jesus on the cross made a difference, we are not, cannot be, in the flesh bound to sin. Jesus changed all that!

Rom 5:19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of One shall many be made righteous.

Rom 8:2 But the Law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.

1 John. The apostle states, on the matter of sin: 3:5 "And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin." 3:6 "Whosoever abideth in him is not living in sin: whosoever is living in sin hath not seen him, neither known him." 3:7 "Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous." 3:8 "He that committeth sin is of the devil." For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil." 3:9 "Whosoever is born of God doth not live in sin." 3:10 "In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God." From these scriptures it is evident that the proof of one being in Christ is his not living in sinning. This does not say one cannot commit a sin, if we do we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ to make intercession for us. It says a person cannot knowingly LIVE IN sin and be saved.

Grace, Faith, Indwelt, Family, Adopted, Child, Heirs, Priest, Kings, all of these names apply to a Christian and understood in order they are the story of a Christian.

The only way to be saved is by Grace, it is a free gift and available to All.

Joh 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish.

h but have everlasting life. Faith is our part. Grace is offered but must become real to us accepted by us. Every thing changes at this point.

A Christian is not a Repentant Sinner. A Christian is ~~Indwelled~~ By the Holy Spirit, Adopted into the family of God, Adopted as Sons and Daughters, Children of God, Heirs of God, Joint heirs with Christ. We are the temple of God indwelled by the Holy Spirit we are Priest of the Most High God with Jesus as Our High Priest. We are a Royal Priest hood and will rule with Christ in Eternity.

Now I Call that VICTORY!!

My question is where did the Church loose sight of the Victory?

Re: , on: 2016/7/25 17:53

Probably when man-made religion got involved. But that is always been around since creation. At least since the time of Christ.

Honestly brother I don't know the answer to your question. But I'm sure religion have something to do with it.

Simply my thoughts brother.

Re: - posted by twayneb (), on: 2016/8/4 17:45

Phillip: Praise God!!! It is so cool when revelation comes from the Holy Spirit through the word of God. Yes, our cross was His cross. We were crucified with Him, nevertheless we live, yet it is no longer us that lives, but Christ that lives in us. Thank you for sharing this with me. It has blessed me today.

Re: - posted by twayneb (), on: 2016/8/4 17:47

Amen Steven! Amen!

Re: , on: 2016/8/4 23:35

Quote:

-----by Christinyou on 2016/7/24 21:17:47

Tuc put in his post;

Quote; ""This is the truth that sets you free.

1. You have deliverance from sin and its spiritual consequences.
2. You are attached to the body of Christ.
3. You have Jesus Christ actually dwelling, abiding and living within you.
4. You have been set free from the law of sin and death.
5. You have deliverance from the pollution of sin itself.
6. You are now one with Christ and in union with Him.
7. You are now a totally NEW creation.
8. You have been reconciled to God.
9. You have entered into a new spiritual life of righteousness, peace and joy
10. You are now seated in the heavenly places in Christ.
11. You have been delivered from eternal death, sin, punishment and misery.
12. Jesus Christ Himself is now your Life. You are now a partaker of His divine nature.
13. You have been freed from the power and domain of sin.
14. You have now been justified by his blood,
- 15 You have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace "
16. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made you free from the law of sin and death
17. You have been crucified with Christ.
18. Your body is now the Temple of God and you are holy.
19. You have been made the rightness of God in Christ.
20. He is your Sabbath rest.
21. And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.
22. God has taken away your stony hard heart and REPLACED with a new heart that is full of His love, desires and faith. Please note that this was an exchange. He took away the old heart and then replaced it with a new one. You do NOT have two hearts!""

Praise God Tuc, the time is now.

I came here over ten years ago, speaking "Christ in you the hope of glory", there was nothing, then you came also expounding, "Christ in you". God is truly faithful, for look what is happening. The time is now. Thank you for being answer to prayer. I hear you and there are others who now hear, "Christ in you the Hope of Glory" and "it is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me".

Christ in us is truly the One that gets all the Glory given Him by the Father, for what He has done and greater things than these are we destined for because of Him being our life.

The time is now brother tuc, Praise God for Him in you.

In Christ: Phillip

Great list, Philip.

I hope you don't mind if I add to it?

23. Jesus has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: (Col 1:13)

24. Jesus has opened our eyes, and turned us from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that we may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith... (Act 26:18)

25. Jesus has delivered us from the snare of the Devil (2 Tim 2:26)

26. Jesus has delivered us from the god of this world who had blinded our minds that we believe not... (2 Cor 4:4)

27. Through Him and by Him we wrestle with principalities, and powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places AND OVERCOME ALL THE POWER OF THE ENEMY. (Eph 6:12 and Luke 10:19)

Psa 98:1 A Psalm. O sing unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the VICTORY.

1Co 15:57 But thanks be to God, which giveth us the VICTORY through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1Jn 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the VICTORY that overcometh the world, even our faith.

Victory is representative of the man that is IN CHRIST.