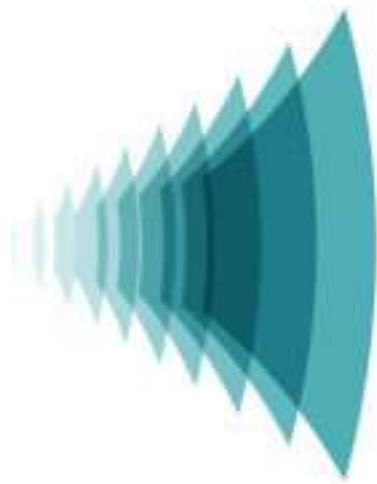




GodsWord Ministries

Telling His story to the World

Part 4: God's reaction, His opinion and His rest



*We preach: Christ in us - the **Hope** of realizing the glory.*

We proclaim Him (Jesus Christ, the Lord), guiding and admonishing everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom (i.e. comprehensive insight into the ways and purposes of God), that every person may be presented mature (i.e. full-grown, complete, and perfect) in Christ. (Col 1:27-28)

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SECTION 1:

God’s reaction to His creation

Creation culminated in two amazing things – “God’s opinion of His creation” and “the rest of God”

GOD’S OPINION ON HIS CREATIVE WORKS

Here is a brief account of the creation and God’s reaction to His creative work:

Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Gen 1:2 The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters.

- *Creation Day 1 - God created light and separated the light from the darkness, calling light "day" and darkness "night."*

Gen 1:3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

Gen 1:4 God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.

Gen 1:5 God called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And there was evening and there was morning, **one day**.

- ***Creation Day 2 - God created an expanse to separate the waters and called it "sky."***

Gen 1:6 Then God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters."

Gen 1:7 God made the expanse, and separated the waters which were below the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so.

Gen 1:8 God called the expanse heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, **a second day**.

- ***Creation Day 3 - God created the dry ground and gathered the waters, calling the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters "seas." On day three, God also created vegetation - plants and trees in great diversity (many "kinds") to be self-sustaining and with the ability to reproduce God declares that all this is good.***

Gen 1:9 Then God said, "Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so.

Gen 1:10 God called the dry land earth, and the gathering of the waters He called seas; and **God saw that it was good**.

Gen 1:11 Then God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, *and* fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit after their kind with seed in them"; and it was so.

Gen 1:12 The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit with seed in them, after their kind; and **God saw that it was good**.

Gen 1:13 There was evening and there was morning, **a third day**.

- ***Creation Day 4 - God created the sun, moon, and the stars to give light to the earth and to govern and separate the day and the night. The sun is the primary source of light while the moon reflects the light of the sun. These would also serve as signs to mark seasons, days, and years. This work is also declared to be good by God.***

Gen 1:14 Then God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years;

Gen 1:15 and let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so.

Gen 1:16 God made the two great lights, the greater light to govern the day, and the lesser light to govern the night; *He made* the stars also.

Gen 1:17 God placed them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth,

Gen 1:18 and to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness; and **God saw that it was good**.

Gen 1:19 There was evening and there was morning, **a fourth day**.

- ***Creation Day 5 - God created every living creature of the seas and every winged bird, blessing them to multiply and fill the waters and the sky with life. All of these creatures were created with the ability to perpetuate their species by reproduction. God declares this work good***

Gen 1:20 Then God said, "Let the waters teem with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens."

Gen 1:21 God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarmed after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and **God saw that it was good.**

Gen 1:22 God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."

Gen 1:23 There was evening and there was morning, **a fifth day.**

- ***Creation Day 6 - God created the animals to fill the earth. On day six, God also created man and woman ([Adam](#) and [Eve](#)) in his own image to commune with him. He blessed them and gave them every creature and the whole earth to rule over, care for, and cultivate. God declares this work good. (It was very good (suitable, pleasant) and He approved it completely).***

Gen 1:24 Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after their kind"; and it was so.

Gen 1:25 God made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and everything that creeps on the ground after its kind; and **God saw that it was good.**

Gen 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

Gen 1:27 God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

Gen 1:28 God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

Gen 1:29 Then God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you;

Gen 1:30 and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, *I have given* every green plant for food"; and it was so.

Gen 1:31 **God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good.** And there was evening and there was morning, **the sixth day.**

- ***Creation Day 7 - God had finished his work of creation and so he rested on the seventh day, blessing it and making it holy.***

Gen 2:1 THUS THE heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

Gen 2:2 And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. [*Heb. 4:9, 10.*]

Gen 2:3 And God blessed (spoke good of) the seventh day, set it apart as His own, and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all His work which He had created and done. [*Exod. 20:11.*] (AMP)

God's favourable opinion – Scriptures

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Gen 1:12 The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit with seed in them, after their kind; and **God saw that it was good.**

Gen 1:18 and to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness; and **God saw that it was good.**

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Gen 1:31 **God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good.**

[Amplified Bible: And God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good (suitable, pleasant, fitting and admirable) and He approved it completely]

God's opinion matters

God had a favourable opinion of His own creation.

Whatever God creates or does – His opinion about it is of paramount importance, because when God approves of something it is backed by His omnipotence and the totality of His being and essence.

It is equally important to understand, to believe and to unconditionally accept and confess God's opinion about us – it is a matter of life and death. (Confess means: to say exactly what God says about something or someone, i.e. "to agree with God on the subject)

After the fall of Adam and Eve God grieved in His heart about the wickedness of man and He was sorry that He had made man

Gen 6:5 Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

Gen 6:6 **The LORD was sorry** that He had made man on the earth, and **He was grieved in His heart.**

God's plan for "recreation"

But a loving and merciful God has already designed a unique plan to rescue His creation – He will recreate man, but this time man will be born and recreated from above in Christ, a life giving Spirit.

Eph 2:10 **For we are God's [own] handiwork (His workmanship), RECREATED in Christ Jesus, [born anew] that we may do those good works which God predestined (planned beforehand) for us [taking paths which He prepared ahead of time], that we should walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us to live].(AMP)**

This recreation of man is the practical implementation of God's eternal plan of salvation that was already in place in Christ Jesus long before the foundation of the world, i.e. before the earth was created. God chose His Son, Jesus Christ and chose and predestined us in His Son. (Recorded in Ephesians 13-5)

Eph 1:3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ,

Eph 1:4 just as **He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world**, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love

Eph 1:5 **He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will,**

The result of this awesome work of Christ in us is that God has an extremely favourable opinion of us. If we are unable to grasp the reality and the depth of His opinion of us we would never be able to walk in victory.

SECTION 2:

God's opinion of me

God's opinion of us is in direct relation to His opinion of His Son, Jesus Christ

Mat 12:18 **Behold, My Servant Whom I have chosen, My Beloved in and with Whom My soul is well pleased** and has found its delight. I will put My Spirit upon Him, and He shall proclaim and show forth justice to the nations.

Mar 1:9 In those days Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

Mar 1:10 Immediately coming up out of the water, He saw the heavens opening, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon Him;

Mar 1:11 and a voice came out of the heavens: **"You are My beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased."**

Mar 9:2 Six days later, Jesus *took with Him Peter and James and John, and *brought them up on a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them;

Mar 9:3 and His garments became radiant and exceedingly white, as no launderer on earth can whiten them.

Mar 9:7 Then a cloud formed, overshadowing them, and a voice came out of the cloud, **"This is My beloved Son, listen to Him!"**

2Pe 1:16 For we did not follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty.

2Pe 1:17 For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, such an utterance as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, **"This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased"—**

Jesus is God's answer to this world

1Co 1:23 but **we preach Christ crucified**, to Jews a stumbling block and to Gentiles foolishness,

1Co 1:24 but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, **Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.**

1Co 1:30 But by His doing you are in **Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption,**

Col 1:19 For it was the *Father's* good pleasure for **all the fullness to dwell in Him,**

Col 2:9 For in Him **all the fullness of Deity dwells** in bodily form,

Col 2:10 and in Him **you have been made complete,**

Eph 3:14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,

Eph 3:15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name,

Eph 3:16 that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man,

Eph 3:17 **so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; *and* that you, being rooted and grounded in love,**

Eph 3:18 **may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth,**

Eph 3:19 and **to know the love of Christ** which surpasses knowledge, **that you may be filled up to all the fullness of God.**

What is God saying about me as a result of His recreation work in me through Jesus Christ?

Below is a list of all the relevant Scriptures

Matthew 3:11 – I am **baptized with the Holy Spirit and with fire.** His Holy Spirit fire is constantly **purging, purifying and refining** me from all chaff in my life

Matthew 4:4 – I **live life by every word** that **proceeds** from the mouth of God

Matthew 5:13 – I am the **salt** of the earth.

Matthew 5:14 – I am the **light** of the world.

Matthew 5:17 – I am totally **released from the Law** of Moses, because Christ fulfilled it

Matthew 16:16 – I have the revelation that Jesus is **the Christ, the Son of the living God**

Matthew 16:19 – I have the **keys of the kingdom** of heaven and whatever is bound in heaven, I can **bind** on earth and whatever is loosed in heaven, I can **loose** on earth (also Matthew 18:18)

Matthew 28:19 – **Christ is with me** always (also Matthew 1:23 Jesus is called “Immanuel – God with us)

[*Mark 16:17-18*](#) – I have received the power of the Holy Spirit to **lay hands on the sick** and see them recover, to **cast out** demons, to speak with **new tongues**. I have power over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means harm me (Also [*Luke 10:17-19*](#)).

[*Luke 6:38*](#) – In my giving **it is given to me. A good measure**, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, **men give into my bosom**.

Luke 12:32 – I am a **recipient of the kingdom** out of the good pleasure of my Father

Luke 17:21 – The **kingdom** of God is within me

John 1:4 – In Christ is life and the **life is my light**

John 1:12 – I am a **child** of God (part of His family). (Also Romans 8:16 and 1 John 3:1-2)

John 1:29 – My **sins are completely taken away** by the Lamb of God

John 3:3, 5 – I am **born again** of water and Spirit **into the kingdom** of God

John 4:14 – The Holy Spirit within me is a **fountain of water springing** up into everlasting life

John 6:63 – I received the **Holy Spirit who gives life** to me

John 6:47 – I **have eternal life** (life without limitations)

John 7:37 – Out of my innermost being flows **rivers of Holy Spirit waters**

John 10:10 – I **live in the life and abundance** that Jesus came to give us

John 10:28 – I **am protected**

John 12:36 – I am a **son of the Light**

John 14:3 – Jesus **prepared a place** for me (I am seated with Him at the right hand of the Father)

John 14:13 – **My prayers** (claims and demands) receive the **personal attention of Jesus** – He will do it so that the Father **may be glorified** in the Son

John 14:17 – The Holy Spirit of truth permanently **abides WITH me** and is **IN me**

John 14:26 – The **Holy Spirit** (the Comforter, Counsellor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengtheners and Standby) is **my Teacher teaching me** all things concerning Christ and His Father

John 14:27 – I **received the peace of Christ** and my heart is not troubled or afraid

John 16:10 – I am **constantly reminded by the Holy Spirit** that I am the **righteousness of God in Christ** (the **Holy Spirit is not accusing** or condemning me)

John 16:13 – The Holy Spirit is constantly **guiding me in all truth** – I am **not in the dark concerning the future**, because He is also declaring to me the things to come

John 16:14 – The Holy Spirit is constantly **glorifying Christ** in me by taking of what is His and reveals (transmits) it to me

John 15:1, 5 – Jesus is the true Vine and I, as a **branch** am part of His life.

John 15:15 – I am Jesus' **friend**.

John 15:16 – I am chosen and appointed by Jesus to **bear fruit** (Genesis 1:28 Be fruitful...). Lasting fruit will result in whatever I ask the Father in the Name of Jesus will be given to me

John 17:20-23 – I am **prayed for by Jesus Christ**

John 17:20-23 – I am **united with other believers**

John 20:22-23 – I have the capacity to **receive and contain the Holy Spirit** and to preach **forgiveness of sins**

Acts 1:8 – I received **power** (ability, efficiency, and might) because of the Holy Spirit

Acts 1:8 – I am a personal **witness** of Christ

Acts 2:17 – The **prophetic abilities in me** have been restored at the outpouring of the Holy Spirit

Acts 2:17 – Through the Holy Spirit I **understand fully the inherent plan** of God for my life and I flow in it

Acts 17:28 – **In Him, I live and move** and have my being (**exist**). I am **His offspring**

[*Romans 1:7*](#) – I am **greatly loved** by God and I am called a **saint** (also [*Ephesians 2:4*](#); [*Colossians 3:12*](#) and [*1 Thessalonians 1:4*](#)).

Romans 2:29– I am a **true Jew inwardly** because I am circumcised in my heart by the Holy Spirit and **my praise is from God**

Romans 3:23-24 and Romans 5:1 - I have been **justified** freely by His grace (completely forgiven and made righteous).

Romans 4:7-8– I am blessed because my **lawless deeds** have been **forgiven** and the Lord will **not take my sin into account**

Romans 4:25– He (Jesus) was **delivered** over because of my **transgressions** and **raised** because of my **justification**

Romans 5:1– I have been **justified by faith** and have **peace** with God

Romans 5:5– The **love of God** has been poured out into my heart by the Holy Spirit

Romans 5:9– Having been **justified by the blood** of Jesus, I **shall be saved from the wrath** of God

Romans 5:10– Having been **reconciled with God** through the death of His Son, I **shall be saved by His life**

[*Romans 5:17*](#) - I have received the **gift of righteousness** and **reign** in this life by Jesus Christ

Romans 6:1-9– I, who have been **baptized into Christ Jesus (not water baptism but a baptism by the Holy Spirit into Christ)**, have been **baptized into His death**. I became **united with Christ in the likeness of His death**, and also **united in the likeness of His resurrection** and now live with Him. My old self was crucified with Him, in order that **my body of sin might be done away with**. I am **no longer a slave to sin** - I am **freed from sin** - so that I might walk in **newness of life** (also Romans 7:6)

[*Romans 6:11*](#) – Because I have died to sin, I am now a spirit being **alive** to God (also [*1 Thessalonians 5:23*](#))

Romans 6:13– I am an **instrument of righteousness** to God

Romans 6:14– Sin has **no dominion** over me, for I am **not under the Law** but **under grace**

Romans 6:18 - I am a **slave** of righteousness.

Romans 6:22 - I am **enslaved** to God with the benefits of **sanctification and eternal life**

Romans 6:23– I received the **free gift** of God in Jesus Christ my Lord – **eternal life**

Romans 7:1, 6– I have been **delivered** from the **Law**

Romans 7:4 - I **died to the Law** through the body of Christ, and I **am joined (married) to Jesus Christ** who was raised from the dead, in order that I might **bear fruit for God**.

Romans 8:1 - I am **free** forever **from condemnation**.

Romans 8:1&9– I am **in the Spirit** and I **walk** according to the Spirit

Romans 8:2 - I am **free** from the law of sin and death (also John 8:32)

Romans 8:10 - My **spirit is alive** because of righteousness

Romans 8:11 - The Holy Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead, dwells in me and is giving **life to my mortal body**

Romans 8:14, 15 - I have received the **Spirit of adoption as a son** and I have this **unique relationship** with God where I cry out "**Abba Father**" (also Galatians 3:26 and 4:6)

Romans 8:16 - The **Holy Spirit Himself testifies** that I am a **child** of God

Romans 8:17 - I am an **heir** of God and a **joint-heir** with Christ sharing His inheritance with Him.

Romans 8:17-18 - I **suffered with Christ** (I was crucified with Him) and now I am also **glorified with Him** (exalted to a place of dignity in Him). **His glory is now revealed** to us and in us and for us and conferred on us!

Romans 8:19-22 - I am a **revealed son of God** for the purpose of **setting His creation free** from the futility and the bondage of corruption to which it was subjected to and to take creation into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

Romans 8:26-27 - The Holy Spirit **helps in my weaknesses, making intercession** for me according to *the will of God*

Romans 8:28 - I am **assured** all things work together for good for me

Romans 8:29-30 - I am **foreknown** by God, **predestined to be conformed** to the image of His Son. I am **called, justified and glorified** by God

Romans 8:31-32 - **God is for me** - who can be against me. Jesus was delivered up for me and **with Him I am given all things freely**.

[Romans 8:33](#) - I am His elect, because of justification and **nobody can bring a charge** against me (also [Colossians 3:12](#)).

Romans 8:34 - **Christ makes intercession** for me continually. He pleads my cause; He aids and assists me; He presents my interests before the mercy-seat in the heavens. (Also Hebrews 7:25 Therefore He is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since **He always lives to make intercession** for them). According to 1 John 2:1, I have an **Advocate with the Father**, Jesus Christ the righteous

Romans 8:35, 38-39 - **Nothing** can **separate** me from the love of God

Romans 8:37 - I am **more than a conqueror** through Him Who loves me

Romans 10:8 - The **Word (Rhema)** is near me, in my mouth and in my heart -- that is, the word of faith which I am preaching,

Romans 10:9 - I **confess with my mouth** Jesus *as* Lord, and **believe in my heart** that God raised Him from the dead; therefore **I am saved** in any situation

Romans 10:11 – I will **never be put to shame or be disappointed** because I believe on Him

Romans 12:5 – Together with all the many believers worldwide, we are **one body in Christ**, and individually we are **members one of another**.

Romans 12:6-8 – By the grace of God I have been born with the following **seven gifts** (abilities, traits) and I can maximize them through the Holy Spirit

- Prophetic ability (activity or functioning)
- The ability to serve (minister)
- Teaching abilities
- The ability to exhort
- The ability to give and share with liberality
- The ability to lead with diligence
- The ability to show mercy with cheerfulness

1 Corinthians 1:8-9 – I am **blameless and in fellowship with Jesus Christ, God's Son**

1 Corinthians 1:30 – By God's doing I have been **put into Christ** who became for me **wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption**

1 Corinthians 2:9-10 – The **Holy Spirit reveals** to me the **things that God has prepared for me** – things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, and *which* have not entered the heart of man

1 Corinthians 2:12 – I have **received the Spirit** of God into my life that I **might know** the things freely given to me by God.

1 Corinthians 2:16 – I have been given the **mind of Christ** (also [Philippians 2:5](#))

1 Corinthians 3:16 – As part of the church of God, I am the **temple** of God where God's Spirit has His permanent dwelling

1 Corinthians 3:9 – I am God's **co-worker** (also 2 Corinthians 6:1)

1 Corinthians 3:23 – I **belong to Christ**

1 Corinthians 6:2-3 – I, as a saint will **judge the World and angels**

1 Corinthians 6:11 – I am **washed, sanctified and justified** in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

1 Corinthians 6:14 – God has raised the Lord and is also **raising me up** through His power

1 Corinthians 6:15 – **My body is a member of Christ**

1 Corinthians 6:17 – I am **joined** to the Lord and am **one spirit with Him**.

1 Corinthians 6:19, 20 – I have been **bought** with a price. I **belong** to God.

1 Corinthians 6:19 – my body is the **temple** of the Holy Spirit; I am not my own

1 Corinthians 7:22-23 - I am **bought with a price** and am **Christ's slave**

1 Corinthians 8:3 - I am **known by God**

1 Corinthians 8:6 - I **exist through my Lord, Jesus Christ** by who all things are and I **exist for God, the Father**, from whom all things are

1 Corinthians 12:7-11 - I am a **channel** for all nine manifestations of the Spirit

1 Corinthians 12:13 - I was **baptized into the body** of Christ by the Holy Spirit and I **am drinking of the Spirit**.

1 Corinthians 12:18 - God has **placed me as a member in the body** just as He **desired**

1 Corinthians 12:27 - I am a **member** of Christ's body (also Ephesians 5:30)

1 Corinthians 15:45, 49 - I **received life** from the **last Adam, Jesus Christ** who is a life-giving spirit, and I **bear the image of the heavenly**

1 Corinthians 15:57 - I am **victorious through my Lord Jesus Christ**

1 Corinthians 15:58 - I am **steadfast, immovable, always abounding** in the work of the Lord, knowing that **my toil is not in vain** in the Lord.

2 Corinthians 1:4 - God **comforts me in all my affliction** so that I will be able to comfort those who are in any affliction

2 Corinthians 1:20 - How many soever are **God's promises, in Christ** is the answer, "**YES**" to the question, "**Will they be fulfilled?**"

2 Corinthians 1:21 - I have been **established and anointed** by God in Christ

2 Corinthians 1:22 - God has also **appropriated and acknowledged me as His** by putting His seal upon me, and I have been given the Holy Spirit as a pledge (the security deposit and guarantee of the fulfilment of His promise)

2 Corinthians 2:14-16 - God **always leads me in triumph** in Christ, and manifests through me the **sweet aroma of the knowledge of Him** in every place. I am a **fragrance of Christ** from life to life

2 Corinthians 3:6 - I am a **minister** of the new covenant (of the Spirit)

2 Corinthians 3:18 - While I **behold as in a mirror the glory** of the Lord, I **am transformed into the same image** from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

[*2 Corinthians 4:4*](#) - I am a **believer**, and the light of the Gospel shines in my mind

2 Corinthians 4:6-7 - God is the One who has **shined in my heart** to **give the Light of the knowledge of His glory** in the face of Christ. I have this **treasure** (the divine Light of the Gospel) in an **earthen vessel** so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from me.

2 Corinthians 4:16-17 - Though my outer man is decaying, yet my **inner man is being renewed day by day**, and I know that momentary, **light affliction** is producing for me an **eternal weight of glory** far beyond all comparison.

2 Corinthians 5:5 - God **prepared me for eternity** and gave me the **Spirit as a guarantee**

2 Corinthians 5:7 - I **walk by faith** and not by sight

2 Corinthians 5:14, 15 - since I have died, I no longer **live** for myself, but **for Him (Christ)** - I am **driven by the love** of Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:17 - I am a **new creation** (new person), **old things have passed away**, all things have become new.

2 Corinthians 5:18, 19 - I am **reconciled** to God and am a minister of **reconciliation**.

[*2 Corinthians 5:20*](#) - I am an **ambassador** for Christ

2 Corinthians 5:21 - I am the **righteousness** of God in Jesus Christ

2 Corinthians 6:16 - He is **our God** and we are His **people**

2 Corinthians 6:18 - He is **our Father** and we are His **sons/daughters**

2 Corinthians 8:9 - **Christ became poor** so that I could **become rich**

2 Corinthians 9:10 - When I minister in **giving to needy saints**, **God will supply** and **multiply** my seed for sowing and **increase the harvest** of my righteousness

2 Corinthians 10:4-5 - The **weapons of my warfare** are mighty in God for the **destruction of fortresses**; to **destroy** speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and to **take every thought captive** to the obedience of Christ.

2 Corinthians 11:2 - By the grace of God I am **espoused (betrothed)** to one **Husband** (Jesus Christ) and I am **presented to Him as a pure virgin (undefiled by the Law and sin)**

Galatians 1:4 - I am **rescued from this present evil age** because Jesus gave Himself for my

Galatians 1:12 - I received this gospel of grace through a **revelation of Jesus Christ**.

Galatians 2:16 - I am not justified by the works of the Law but **through faith in Christ Jesus**

Galatians 2:20 - I have been **crucified with Christ** and it is no longer I who live, but **Christ lives in me** and I **live my life by faith in the Son of God** (The life I am living is Christ's life)

Galatians 3:13 - I am **redeemed from the curse of the Law**

Galatians 3:14 - I have received the blessing of Abraham and the promised Holy Spirit

Galatians 3:26, 28 - I am a **son of God** and **one in Christ**.

Galatians 3:29 - I am **Abraham's seed** and an **heir** according to the promise

Galatians 4:5-6 - I have been **redeemed from the Law** and have **received the adoption as a son**. Because I am a son God sent the **Spirit of His Son into my heart**, crying "**Abba Father**"

Galatians 4:7 - Because I am a son, I am an **heir** of God through Christ

Galatians 4:19 - Christ is **formed** in me

Galatians 5:1 - Christ has **made us free** from the yoke of bondage - the Law

Galatians 5:22-23 - The **fruit of the Spirit** is brought forth in and through me

Galatians 5:16, 18 & 25 - I **live and walk and am led by the Spirit**

Galatians 6:15 - I am a **new creative act**

Ephesians 1:1 - I am **faithful**, loyal and steadfast in Christ Jesus

Ephesians 1:1 - I am a **saint**. (Also 1 Corinthians 1:2; Philippians 1:1 and Colossians 1:2)

Ephesians 1:3 - I have been **blessed** with every spiritual blessing.

Ephesians 1:4 - I have been **chosen** in Christ before the foundation of the world **and I am holy** and **without blame** before Him (also [1 Peter 1:16](#))

Ephesians 1:5 - I was **predestined** (determined by God) to be **adopted as a son**.

Ephesians 1:6 - By the glory of His grace, **I was made accepted in the Beloved** (Jesus Christ)

Ephesians 1:7 - **I am in Him** (also 1 Corinthians 1:30)

Ephesians 1:7, 8 - I have been **redeemed, forgiven**, and am a recipient of His lavish grace **without restriction** (also Colossians 1:14). I am forgiven of all my sins and **washed** in the Blood

Ephesians 1:8 - I have **wisdom and understanding** (practical insight and prudence) of the generosity of **His grace**

Ephesians 1:9 - God **made known to me the mystery of His will** - the plan that He purposed in Christ in accordance with His good pleasure

Ephesians 1:11 - I have been **predestined (foreordained) to obtain an inheritance** in Christ and **God is working out everything** in my life in agreement with the counsel and design of His will

Ephesians 1:12 - I have been destined and **appointed to live for the praise of His glory**

Ephesians 1:13 - I am sealed with the promised Holy Spirit

Ephesians 1:13, 14 - I have been given the Holy Spirit as a **pledge** (a deposit/down payment) guaranteeing His ongoing working in me to bring me to the full knowledge and measure of Christ.

Ephesians 1:17-19 - I have **received** the spirit of **wisdom and revelation** in the knowledge of Jesus, the **eyes** of my understanding being **enlightened** and I **know**:

- The hope of His calling
- The riches of the glory of His inheritance in me, and
- The exceeding greatness of His power towards me

Ephesians 2:4 - God, in Christ Jesus **poured out the richness of His mercy** in my life and **demonstrated to me the greatness of His love with which He loved me**

Ephesians 2:5 - I **was dead** in my trespasses and sins, have been **made alive** together with Christ (**in fellowship and in union with Christ**)

Ephesians 2:6 - I have been **raised up** with Christ (also Colossians 2:12)

Ephesians 2:6 - I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (According to Ephesians 1:21 I **was placed in Christ, who is far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named**, not only in this age but also in that which is to come)

Ephesians 2:7 - He made us alive, raised us and seated us in Christ **that He might clearly demonstrate** through the ages to come **the immeasurable riches of His free grace toward us** in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:8 - By **grace (a gift of God)** I have been **saved through faith**; not of myself and not as a result of works

Ephesians 2:10 - I am God's **workmanship** (handiwork) created in Christ to do the work He planned beforehand that I should do.

Ephesians 2:13 - I have been brought near to God through Christ's blood

Ephesians 2:14 - He is my peace

Ephesians 2:16 - I am **reconciled together with Israel in one body to God** through the cross

Ephesians 2:18 - I have direct **access** to God through the Spirit.

Ephesians 2:19 - I am a **fellow citizen** with the rest of God's people in His family - **a member of God's household**

Ephesians 2:20 - My life is **securely built on the foundation** of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself the chief **Cornerstone**

Ephesians 2:21-22 – In Christ, this whole building of believers is fitted together and grows into a **holy temple in the Lord** and a **dwelling place of God in the Spirit**. I am part of that

Ephesians 3:1 and 4:1 – I am a **prisoner** of Christ.

Ephesians 3:6 – The **mystery of Christ** has now been revealed to me – I am a **fellow heir** and **fellow member of the body**, and a **fellow partaker of the promise** in Christ Jesus

Ephesians 3:7 – **God's power works through me**

Ephesians 3:10 – I am **part of the church** through which **God is making known His manifold wisdom to the rulers and authorities** in the heavenly places

Ephesians 3:12 – I may **approach** God with boldness, freedom, and confidence

Ephesians 3:16 – I am **strengthened with power through His Spirit** in the inner man according to the riches of His glory

Ephesians 3:17 – Christ **dwells** in my heart through faith

Ephesians 3:17 – I am **rooted and grounded** in love

Ephesians 3:18 – I am able to **comprehend** with the saints the width, length, depth and height of God

Ephesians 3:19 – I **know the love of Christ** which surpasses knowledge

Ephesians 3:19 – I am **filled with the fullness of God**

Ephesians 3:20 – the power that works in me (the power of understanding Christ and His fullness) triggers God to do exceedingly abundantly above all that I ask or think

Ephesians 3:21 – I can bring glory to God

Ephesians 4:1 – I have been called

Ephesians 4:12 – I am **equipped for the work of ministry** (service)

Ephesians 4:13 – I am **coming to the unity of the faith** and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a **perfect man**, to the **measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ**;

Ephesians 4:14, 15 – I am **no longer a child, tossed here and there** by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, but I **speak the truth** in love and I **am growing up in all aspects into Him** who is the head, Christ

Ephesians 4:23 – I am **renewed** in the spirit of my **mind**

Ephesians 4:24 – I have put on the new man which was created according to God, in true **righteousness and holiness**.

Ephesians 4:30 – I am **sealed by the Holy Spirit** of God.

Ephesians 4:32 - I can forgive others and be kind and compassionate to them

Ephesians 5:2 - Christ loved me and gave Himself up for me

Ephesians 5:8, 9 - I was in darkness, but now I am light in the Lord, and the fruit of the Spirit (or Light) flowing through me is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth

Ephesians 5:18 - I am constantly filled with the Spirit and speak the word

Ephesians 5:25-27 - I am part of the church whom Christ loved and gave Himself for. He sanctified and cleansed the church with the washing of water by the word, and He presents her to Himself a glorious church, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but holy and without blemish.

Ephesians 5:29, 30 - Being a member of His body (and as such part of the His church), I am nourished and cherished by Christ (the Head of the body and of the church)

Ephesians 6:10 - I am strong in the Lord and have His power

Ephesians 6:13-17 - I am clothed with the armour of God and stand firm in the day of evil

- Truth
- Righteousness
- Preparation of the gospel of peace
- Faith
- Salvation
- Word of God
- Prayer

[*Ephesians 6:16*](#) - I quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one with my shield of faith

Ephesians 6:18 - I am able to pray in the Spirit

Philippians 1:6 - I am confident that God will complete (perfect) the work He has begun in me

Philippians 1:11 - I am filled with the fruits of righteousness to the glory and praise of God

[*Philippians 2:5*](#) - I have the mind (attitude) of Christ (the attitude of a servant)

[*Philippians 2:12, 13*](#) - God works in me (to bring the finished work of His Son to fruition in my life) both to will and to do for His good pleasure

Philippians 2:14, 15 - I heed to the call of doing all things without grumbling or disputing and thereby prove myself to be blameless and innocent, a child of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom I appear as a brilliant bright light in the world. My brilliance is similar to the brilliance of the New Jerusalem described in Revelation 21:10-11

Philippians 3:14 - I am **persevering**, pressing on toward the goal to win the prize to which God in Christ Jesus is calling me

Philippians 3:20 - I am a **citizen of heaven**

Philippians 4:6, 7 - My heart and mind is **guarded by** the peace of God that passes all understanding – I am **anxious for nothing**

Philippians 4:13 - I am **not helpless, because** I can do all things through **Christ Jesus who strengthens me**

[*Philippians 4:19*](#) - I have no lack for my God **supplies all my need** according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus

[*Colossians 1:9*](#) - I am **filled** with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding

[*Colossians 1:10*](#) – I am **fruitful** in every good work and **increasing in the knowledge of** God

[*Colossians 1:11*](#) - I am **strengthened** with all might according to His glorious power

Colossians 1:12 - I am **qualified to share in His inheritance**

Colossians 1:13 - I have been **delivered** (rescued) from the domain of darkness (Satan's rule) and **transferred to the kingdom of Christ**

Colossians 1:14 - I have been **redeemed and forgiven** of all my sins (the debt against me has been cancelled) (also Colossians 2:13, 14)

[*Colossians 1:21*](#) – I am **reconciled** with God

Colossians 1:22 – I am **presented holy, blameless and without reproach**

Colossians 1:27 - Christ Himself is **in me** – the **hope of** realising the **glory**

Colossians 2:2, 3 - All the **treasures** of wisdom and knowledge are **hidden in Christ** and I **have access to all this wealth** through the **full assurance of understanding** of the true knowledge of **God's mystery** (i.e. Christ Himself)

Colossians 2:7 - I am **firmly rooted, built up, and established** in my faith and overflowing with gratitude

Colossians 2:10 - I am **complete in Him** who is the Head of all principality and power and in whom Him dwells all the fullness of Deity in bodily form

Colossians 2:11 - I have been **spiritually circumcised** (my old, unregenerate nature has been removed).

Colossians 2:12 - I have been **buried and raised** with Christ

Colossians 2:13 – I have been **made alive** together with Christ having been **forgiven of all my trespasses (transgressions)**

Colossians 2:14 – The **handwriting** of acquirements that was against me (the Law) was completely **wiped out and taken out of the way**

Colossians 2:15 – Christ has **disarmed the rulers and authorities** and made a public display of them, and **now I am no longer subject to public opinion** of how I should live

Colossians 2:20 – I have died with Christ from the **basic principles** of the world – “touch not”, “taste not”, “handle not”

Colossians 3:1-4 – I have been **raised up** with Christ. I **died** with Christ. My life is now **hidden** with Christ in God. Christ is now my **life**.

Colossians 3:4 – I am an **expression of Christ and of His life**. I am **revealed with Him**.

Colossians 3:5 – The **members of my earthly body are dead** to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry, **because of Christ** now living inside of me

Colossians 3:9, 10 – I have put off the **old man (the old man died with Christ on the cross and was buried with Him)** and have put on the **new man (I was raised up with Christ to walk in the newness of life)**, which is **renewed in the knowledge** after the image of Him Who created me

Colossians 3:12 – I am **chosen** of God, **holy**, and **dearly loved**.

Colossians 3:12-16 – I am **filled** with tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering, forgiveness, love and peace and the **word of God dwells richly in me** in all wisdom

1 Thessalonians 1:4 – I am **chosen** and **dearly loved** by God.

1 Thessalonians 1:10 – **Jesus rescued me from the wrath of God**

1 Thessalonians 2:12 – **God called me into His own kingdom and glory**

1 Thessalonians 5:5 – I am a **son of light and of day** and not of darkness and of night

1 Thessalonians 5:8 – I am **clothed with the breastplate of faith and love**, and as a **helmet, the hope of salvation**.

1 Thessalonians 5:9 – I am **destined by God** not for wrath, but **for obtaining salvation** through our Lord Jesus Christ

1 Thessalonians 5:10 – **Christ died for me** so that I will **live together with Him**

2 Thessalonians 2:13 – I am the **beloved** of the Lord because **God has chosen me** from the beginning **for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and faith** in the truth.

2 Thessalonians 2:14 – I was called through the gospel that I may share the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ

2 Thessalonians 2:16 – I am loved by my Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God my Father, who **gave me everlasting consolation and encouragement** and **well-founded hope** through grace

2 Thessalonians 3:3 – The Lord, who is faithful will **establish** me and **guard** me from the evil one

2 Thessalonians 3:5 – The Lord will **direct my heart into the love of God** and into the patience of Christ

1 Timothy 2:5, 6 – Jesus Christ, as the mediator between God and men **gave Himself as a ransom** for me

2 Timothy 1:7 – I have not been given a spirit of fear, but of power, love and self-discipline *2 Timothy 1:9, 10* – I have been **saved and called** (set apart), not according to my works, but **according to God's own purpose and grace** which was granted me **in Christ Jesus before time began**. This has been made real through the appearing of **Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light** through the gospel

2 Timothy 1:14 – The Holy Spirit who dwells in me (makes His home in me)

2 Timothy 2:19 – The **firm, solid, sure and unshaken foundation of God** stands, having this seal, "**The Lord knows those who are His**" (He has a relationship with His people)

2 Timothy 2:21 – I live a **life of separation unto God** (cleansing and keeping myself from defiled things) therefore I am **a vessel for honor, sanctified, useful** to the Master, **prepared for every good work**.

2 Timothy 3:17 – I am **born of God** and I am **complete and proficient, well fitted and thoroughly equipped for every good work**.

Titus 2:14 – I am **redeemed from every lawless deed** and I am **purified for Him**. I am **special to Him** and **zealous for good works**

Titus 3:5, 6 – I am saved according to His mercy, through the **washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out upon us richly** through Jesus Christ our Saviour

Titus 3:7 – I have been **justified** by His grace and now I am an **heir of eternal life**

Hebrews 1:3 – I am **purified** of my sins by Christ Himself

Hebrews 1:14 – The **angels** are sent forth as **ministering agents** to minister for me

Hebrews 2:7-8 – I have been a **little lower than the angels** and **crowned with glory and honour**. I have been **set over the works of His hands** and **all things** have been put in **subjection** under my feet

Hebrews 2:11 – because I am **sanctified and one with the Sanctifier** (Christ), He is **not ashamed** to call me brother.

Hebrews 2:17 – Christ is my **merciful and faithful High Priest** in things pertaining to God, who **made propitiation for my sins**

Hebrews 2:18 – Since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, **He is able to come to my aid when I am tempted**.

Hebrews 3:1 – I am a **holy brother, partaker of a heavenly calling** and Jesus is the **Apostle and High Priest of my confession**

Hebrews 3:6 – I am **part of Christ's house** (His dwelling place)

Hebrews 3:14 – I am a **partaker of Christ**

Hebrews 4:9 – I am in the **rest** of God... I share in His life.

Hebrews 4:13 – Nothing is hidden from His sight, but **all things are open and lay bare** to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do (the Word – Logos). God is watching over His word to perform it. **Nothing in my life escapes His attention**

Hebrews 4:14 – I have a great **High Priest** who **sympathises with my weaknesses**

Hebrews 4:16 – I have a right to **come boldly** before the throne of God (the throne of grace) to **find mercy and grace in time of need**.

Hebrews 6:4, 5 – I have been **enlightened** and have **tasted of the heavenly gift** (Jesus Christ) and I have been made a **partaker of the Holy Spirit**. I have also **tasted how good the Word of God is** and the **mighty powers of the age** and world to come,

Hebrews 6:10 – God **remembers my labour of love**

Hebrews 6:13, 14 – God's **oath swearing** to Abraham **applies to me**: "Surely blessing I will bless you, **and multiplying** I will multiply you"

Hebrews 6:17, 18 – God desired to **show to me** (as an heir of the promise) the **unchangeableness of His purpose**, interposed with an oath, so that **by these two unchangeable things** (the promise and the oath swearing) **I have taken refuge** and have **strong encouragement to take hold of the hopes** set before me. I rest in the sure certainty that **it is impossible for God to lie**.

Hebrews 6:19, 20 – I have **God's promise and His oath as a sure and steadfast anchor** of the soul **that reaches and enters within the veil**, where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for me, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

Hebrews 7:16-19— **Jesus became High Priest** forever after the order of Melchizedek by the **power of an indestructible life**. By this He ushered in a **better hope through which I draw near to God**, **setting aside the law which made nothing perfect** because of its weakness and uselessness

Hebrews 8:10— Under the **new covenant** (which was ratified in Christ), **the laws of God are put in my mind and are written in my heart**. **God is our God and we are His people** (also Hebrews 10:16)

Hebrews 8:12— God is **merciful to my unrighteousness** and He **remembers my sins and lawless deeds no more** (also Hebrews 10:17)

Hebrews 9:11, 12 - **Christ through His own blood** entered the holy place once for all, and **obtained eternal redemption for me**

Hebrews 9:14, 15— The blood of Christ **cleanses my conscience from dead works to serve the living God** and to **receive the promise of the eternal inheritance**

Hebrews 9:24 - Christ now appears in the **presence of God on my behalf**

Hebrews 9:26— Christ has been manifested to **put away and abolish my sin** by the sacrifice of Himself

Hebrews 9:28— Christ was **offered once to bear my sins**

Hebrews 10:10— I have been **sanctified by the offering of the body** of Christ

Hebrews 10:19— I have **boldness and confidence to enter the Holiest of Holies** by the blood of Jesus

Hebrews 12:2— Jesus is the **author and the finisher** of faith

Hebrews 12:22-24— I **no longer live life by the Law**, but I have come to **Mount Zion**, to the **city of the living God**, the **heavenly Jerusalem**, to an **innumerable company of angels**, to the **general assembly**, to **Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant** and to the **blood of Jesus**

Hebrews 12:28— I have received a **kingdom** which cannot be shaken

Hebrews 12:29— Our God is a **consuming fire**

Hebrews 13:5, 6 - **I am not alone** - He will **never leave me** nor forsake me. The Lord is my **helper**

Hebrews 13:8— Jesus Christ is the **same yesterday, today and forever**

Hebrews 13:20-21— Christ is, through the blood of the everlasting covenant **making me complete** in every good work to do His will and **working in me what is well pleasing** in His sight

James 1:18 – I was **brought forth** by the word of truth that I might be a **kind of first fruit** of His creation

James 1:22 & 25 – I am a **doer** of the Word and **blessed in my actions**

James 4:7 – I am **submitted to God** and the **devil flees** from me because I resist him in the Name of Jesus

James 5:16 – I am the righteousness of God and therefore **my prayers makes tremendous power available** [dynamic in its working]

1 Peter 1:3 – He has **begotten me again** to a living hope through the resurrection of Christ to an incorruptible and undefiled inheritance

1 Peter 1:19 – I have been **redeemed** by the precious blood of Christ

1 Peter 1:23 – I am God's child for I am **born again** of the incorruptible seed of the Word of God, which lives and abides forever

1 Peter 2:5 – I am one of God's **living stones** and am being built up (in Christ) as a **spiritual house**, for a **holy priesthood**, to **offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable** to God through Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:9, 10 – I am a part of a **chosen generation**, a **royal priesthood**, a **holy nation**, a people for **God's own possession** to **proclaim His excellencies**.

1 Peter 2:11 – I am an **alien and stranger** to this world that I temporarily live in.

1 Peter 2:24 – Christ Himself **bore my sins in His body on the cross**, so that I **might die to sin and live to righteousness**. I am **healed by His stripes**

1 Peter 2:25 – Christ is the Shepherd and Guardian of my soul

1 Peter 3:9 – I **inherit (take possession of) blessings**, because I do not return evil for evil or insult for insult, but give a blessing instead

1 Peter 3:18 – Christ **died for sins** once for all, the just for the unjust, **so that He might bring me to God**

1 Peter 5:1 – I am a **partaker of the glory** that is to be revealed

1 Peter 5:7 – I **cast all my anxieties upon Him** because He cares for me

1 Peter 5:8 – I am an **enemy** of the devil

1 Peter 5:10 – The God of all grace **called me to His eternal glory in Christ**. He will Himself **perfect, confirm, strengthens and establish me**.

2 Peter 1:3 – His **divine power** has **given me all things** that pertain to life and godliness

2 Peter 1:3 - God called me by His own glory and excellence

2 Peter 1: 3-4 - I have been **given exceedingly great and precious promises** by God by which I **am a partaker of the divine nature** (God's nature)

2 Peter 1:10 - I **have been called** (divinely invited by God to partake of all the privileges of the gospel) and **elected (chosen) by God** (elected means: by my acceptance of the invitation I am placed in Christ who is the elected, or chosen One)

2 Peter 3:9 - The Lord is **longsuffering (patient)** towards us

1 John 1:1-3 - The **life (eternal life) of the Word of Life** (Jesus Christ), which was with the Father and **was manifested to me** resulted in a unique **fellowship with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ**

1 John 1:7 - The **blood of Jesus is constantly cleansing** us from all sin

1 John 2:1-2 - Jesus Christ, the Righteous is my **Advocate** with the Father and the **propitiation** for my sins

1 John 2:20 - I have an **anointing** of the Holy One and I **know all things**

1 John 2:25 - I am a **recipient of the promise** which He Himself made to me: **eternal life**

1 John 2:27 - **The anointing** which I received from Him **abides in me**, and I have no need for anyone to teach me, but **His anointing teaches me about all things**

1 John 2:29 - I am **born from Him** and **practise righteousness** (I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus)

1 John 3:1 - I am a **child** of God because of the great love of the Father

1 John 3:2 - **As Christ is revealing Himself** to me (His Person and His finished work) I **become more and more like Him** (Also John 4:17)

1 John 3:8 - The **Son of God destroyed the works of the devil** in my life

1 John 3:9 - I am **born of God** and because **His seed abides** in me I **do not practice sin**. I (my spirit man who is born from God) cannot sin

1 John 3:14 - I have **passed out of death into life**

1 John 3:21, 22 - I have **confidence before God** because my **heart does not condemn me** (no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus), **whatever I ask I receive** from Him

1 John 3:24 - He **gave the Spirit** to me in **confirmation that He abides** in me (also 1 John 4:13)

1 John 4:4 - I am **overcoming** the antichrist, for I have the **Greater One living in me; greater is He Who is in me** than he who is in the world

1 John 4:8, 9 - **God is love** and the **love of God** was manifested in me, in that **God has sent His only begotten Son** into the world so that I might live through Him

1 John 4:10 - God loved me and **sent His Son to be the propitiation for my sins**

1 John 4:12 - God **abides in me**, and **His love is perfected** in me (also 1 John 4:16)

1 John 4:17 - I **am like Jesus** (as He is, so also are we in this world)

1 John 4:18 - I have **no fear** because **His perfect love** drives out all fear

1 John 4:19 - I have the capacity to **love God** because **He first loved me**

1 John 5:4 - I **overcome the world** because I am born of God

1 John 5:11 - God has given us **eternal life** - the **life in His Son**

1 John 5:14 - We have **confidence** in Him, that if we **ask anything** according to His will, He **hears us**

1 John 5:18 - I am **born of God**; the evil one (**the devil**) **cannot touch me** - I **am safe**

Jude 1:20 - I **build myself up** on my most holy faith by **praying in the Holy Spirit**

Revelation 1:5, 6 - Jesus Christ **loved me** and **washed me from my sins** in His own blood, and **made me a king and a priest to His God and Father**

Revelation 5:9-10 - I have been redeemed to God by the blood of Jesus. He (Jesus) **made me a king and a priest to reign on the earth**

Revelation 8:4 - My prayers together with the smoke of the incense ascend before God

[Revelation 12:11](#) - I **overcome the accuser** of the brethren (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb and the word of my testimony

Revelation 19:10 - The **prophetic working** in and through me originates from the **testimony of the Jesus** (I live out of His fullness)

Revelation 21:3 - God now **tabernacles** with us (John 1:14 the Word became flesh and tabernacle among us). He **dwells** with us; **we are His people** and **He is our God** who is always with us (also Revelation 21:7)

Revelation 21:3 - Christ is the Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End and I drink of the **water of life** freely

Revelation 22:3 - There is **no curse** whatsoever on my life (and that includes bloodline curses)

I am also quoting a few relevant Scriptures from the Old Testament

Psalms 23 & 100 - I am a sheep of His pasture. **The Lord is my Shepherd** therefore, I have **no lack**

[*Isaiah 54:14*](#) - I am **far from oppression**, and **fear does not come near me**

[*Deuteronomy 28:13*](#) - I am **the head** and not the tail; I am **above** only and not beneath (as a matter of fact – **all the blessings** recorded in Deuteronomy 28:1-13 are applicable to me. Christ **redeemed me from the curse** of the Law – the blessings still stand)

[*Psalms 66:8*](#) - I am called of God to be **the voice of His praise**

SECTION 3:

God created rest

THE REST OF GOD

Creation Day 7 - God had finished his work of creation and so he rested on the seventh day, blessing it and making it holy. God rested. This in no way indicates He was weary from His creative efforts but denotes that the creation is complete. Further, God is establishing a pattern of one day in seven to rest.

Gen 1:31 And God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good (suitable, pleasant) and He approved it completely. And there was evening and there was morning, the **sixth day**.

Gen 2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth **were finished**, and all the host of them.

Gen 2:2 And **on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done**; and **He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done**. [*Heb. 4:9, 10.*]

Gen 2:3 And God **blessed (spoke good of) the seventh day, set it apart as His own, and hallowed it** because on it God rested from all His work which He had created and done. [*Exod. 20:11.*] (AMP)

On the seventh day, God finished his work of creation, rested, blessed the seventh day and sanctified it

To finish a work, in Hebrew context, is to cease from it, to have done with it, because everything was already finished.

God ***rested*** indicating that His work was accomplished and brought to perfection. He did not rest from weariness, but from the completion of his task. God is refreshed, not by recuperating his strength, but by the satisfaction of having before him a finished work which He was celebrating.

Isa 40:28 Do you not know? Have you not heard? **The Everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth Does not become weary or tired.** His understanding is inscrutable.

God ***blessed*** the seventh day and ***sanctified*** it as holy and special. The Sabbath rest of God started on this day and continues to the present hour

This was a joyful celebration of God's completion of his creation.

Thus at the centre of the Sabbath is joy, refreshment and celebrating, arising from remembrance of God's goodness as Creator, and as the Deliverer from bondage.

Originally the Sabbath was a memorial and celebration of creation. It, however, culminated in Jesus Christ, who accomplished a work vastly greater than that of creation - the work of redemption. My Sabbath rest (rest is in effect an activity of the Holy Spirit) is a perpetual memorial and celebration of Christ and His finished work.

The importance of the seventh day of rest in our physical lives is emphasised by the following finding:

Mental performance is found to decrease during the course of the week and lack of rest leads to increased stress on the body and tearing down of tissue. This was exemplified during the French Revolution starting in 1792. As an effort to undermine the Christian calendar, a new decimal calendar with ten day work weeks and three week months were instituted and continued for thirteen years. One of the major consequences was an increase in illness for people and the death of the workhorses.

Jesus is our Sabbath Rest?

I found the following very insightful article on "How is Jesus our Sabbath Rest?" on the website: <http://www.gotquestions.org> and am quoting it with their permission as per their copyright policy:

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Question: "How is Jesus our Sabbath Rest?"

Answer: The key to understanding how Jesus is our Sabbath rest is the Hebrew word *sabat*, which means "to rest or stop or cease from work." The origin of the Sabbath goes back to Creation. After creating the heavens and the earth in six days, God "rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made" ([Genesis 2:2](#)). This doesn't mean that God was tired and needed a rest. We know that God is omnipotent, literally "all-powerful." He has all the power in the universe, He never tires, and His most arduous expenditure of energy does not diminish His power one bit. So, what does it mean that God rested on the seventh day? Simply that He stopped what He was doing. He ceased from His labours. This is important in understanding the establishment of the Sabbath day and the role of Christ as our Sabbath rest.

God used the example of His resting on the seventh day of Creation to establish the principle of the Sabbath day rest for His people. In [Exodus 20:8-11](#) and [Deuteronomy 5:12-15](#), God gave the Israelites the fourth of His Ten Commandments. They were to "remember" the Sabbath day and "keep it holy." One day out of every seven, they were to rest from their labours and give the same day of rest to their servants and animals. This was not just a physical rest, but a cessation of labouring. Whatever work they were engaged in was to stop for a full day each week. (Please read our other articles on the [Sabbath day](#), [Saturday vs. Sunday](#) and [Sabbath keeping](#) to explore this issue further.) The Sabbath day was established so the people would rest from their labours, only to begin again after a one-day rest.

The various elements of the Sabbath symbolized the coming of the Messiah, who would provide a permanent rest for His people. Once again the example of resting from our labours comes into play. With the establishment of the Old Testament Law, the Jews were constantly "labouring" to make themselves acceptable to God. Their labours included trying to obey a myriad of do's and don'ts of the ceremonial law, the Temple law, the civil law, etc. Of course, they couldn't possibly keep all those laws, so God provided an array of sin offerings and sacrifices so they could come to Him for forgiveness and restore fellowship with Him, but only temporarily. Just as they began their physical labours after a one-day rest, so, too, did they have to continue to offer sacrifices. [Hebrews 10:1](#) tells us that the law "can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship." But these sacrifices were offered in anticipation of the ultimate sacrifice of Christ on the cross, who "after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right of God" ([Hebrews 10:12](#)). Just as He rested after performing the ultimate sacrifice, He sat down and rested—ceased from His labour of atonement because there was nothing more to be done, ever. Because of what He did, we no longer have to "labour" in law-keeping in order to be justified in the sight of God. Jesus was sent so that we might rest in God and in what He has provided.

Another element of the Sabbath day rest which God instituted as a foreshadowing of our complete rest in Christ is that He blessed it, sanctified it, and made it holy. Here again, we see the symbol of Christ as our Sabbath rest—the holy, perfect Son of God who sanctifies and makes holy all who believe in Him. God sanctified Christ, just as He sanctified the Sabbath day, and sent Him into the world ([John 10:36](#)) to be our sacrifice for sin. In Him, we find complete rest from the labours of our self-effort, because He alone is holy and righteous. "God made him who had no sin to be sin for us so that in him we might become the righteousness of God" ([2 Corinthians 5:21](#)). We can now cease

from our spiritual labours and rest in Him, not just one day a week, but always.

Jesus can be our Sabbath rest in part because He is "Lord of the Sabbath" ([Matthew 12:8](#)). As God incarnate, He decides the true meaning of the Sabbath because He created it, and He is our Sabbath rest in the flesh. When the Pharisees criticized Him for healing on the Sabbath, Jesus reminded them that even they, sinful as they were, would not hesitate to pull a sheep out of a pit on the Sabbath. Because He came to seek and save His sheep who would hear His voice ([John 10:3,27](#)) and enter into the Sabbath rest He provided by paying for their sins, He could break the Sabbath rules. He told the Pharisees that people are more important than sheep and the salvation He provided was more important than rules. By saying, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath" ([Mark 2:27](#)), Jesus was restating the principle that the Sabbath rest was instituted to relieve man of his labours, just as He came to relieve us of our attempting to achieve salvation by our works. We no longer rest for only one day, but forever cease our labouring to attain God's favour. Jesus is our rest from works now, just as He is the door to heaven, where we will rest in Him forever.

[Hebrews 4](#) is the definitive passage regarding Jesus as our Sabbath rest. The writer to the Hebrews exhorts his readers to "enter in" to the Sabbath rest provided by Christ. After three chapters of telling them that Jesus is superior to the angels and that He is our Apostle and High Priest, he pleads with them to not harden their hearts against Him, as their fathers hardened their hearts against Jehovah in the wilderness. Because of their unbelief, God denied that generation access to the holy land, saying, "They shall not enter into My rest" ([Hebrews 3:11](#)). In the same way, the writer to the Hebrews begs them—and us—not to make the same mistake by rejecting God's Sabbath rest in Jesus Christ. "There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God; for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from his own work, just as God did from his. Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will fall by following their example of disobedience" ([Hebrews 4:9-11](#)).

There is no other Sabbath rest besides Jesus. He alone satisfies the requirements of the Law, and He alone provides the sacrifice that atones for sin. He is God's plan for us to cease from the labour of our own works. We dare not reject this one-and-only Way of salvation ([John 14:6](#)). God's reaction to those who choose to reject His plan is seen in [Numbers 15](#). A man was found gathering sticks on the Sabbath day, in spite of God's plain commandment to cease from all labour on the Sabbath. This transgression was a known and willful sin, done with unblushing boldness in broad daylight, in open defiance of the divine authority. "And Jehovah said to Moses, 'The man shall surely be put to death'" (v. 35). So it will be to all who reject God's provision for our Sabbath rest in Christ. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?" ([Hebrews 2:3](#)).

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Scriptures quoted in the above article:

Gen 2:2 By the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done.

Exo 20:8 "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Exo 20:9 "Six days you shall labour and do all your work,

Exo 20:10 but the seventh day is a sabbath of the LORD your God; *in it* you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter, your male or your female servant or your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you.

Exo 20:11 "For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.

Deu 5:12 'Observe the sabbath day to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you.

Deu 5:13 'Six days you shall labour and do all your work,

Deu 5:14 but the seventh day is a sabbath of the LORD your God; *in it* you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant or your ox or your donkey or any of your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you, so that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you.

Deu 5:15 'You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out of there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to observe the sabbath day.

Heb 10:1 For the Law, since it has *only* a shadow of the good things to come *and* not the very form of things, can never, by the same sacrifices which they offer continually year by year, make perfect those who draw near.

Heb 10:12 but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD,

Joh 10:36 do you say of Him, whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, '

2Co 5:21 He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Mat 12:8 "For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath."

Joh 10:3 "To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

Joh 10:27 "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me;

Mar 2:27 Jesus said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.

Heb 3:11 AS I SWORE IN MY WRATH, 'THEY SHALL NOT ENTER MY REST.'"

Heb 4:9 So there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God.

Heb 4:10 For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from His.

Heb 4:11 Therefore let us be diligent to enter that rest, so that no one will fall, through *following* the same example of disobedience.

Joh 14:6 Jesus *said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

Heb 2:3 how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?

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