## THE BELIEVER'S POSITION IN CHRIST

"For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

1 Corinthians 15:22

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

Every Person in the World is either in Adam or in Christ. By physical birth we are in Adam. By the New Birth we are in the Lord Jesus Christ! The Believer's Spiritual Position is "In Christ." The New Testament uses the phrase "In Christ," "In the Lord" or "In Him" over 130 times. The Holy Spirit used the Apostle Paul to pen the phrase "In Christ." He used it more than any other Writers of the New Testament.

The phrase "In Christ" is fundamental to our Spiritual Position. We have New Life in Him because He is our Life. Jesus said, "Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye except ye abide in me" (John 15:4).

### IN CHRIST WE ARE:

#### ROMANS - Romans 5:1

The Epistle to the Romans presents Believers' position, as justified in Christ. Believers are forgiven, are reconciled, have eternal life, have peace with God, are delivered from the penalty of the Law, have a new standing in grace, are regenerated and indwelt by the Holy Spirit. Paul urges Believers to present themselves to God as living sacrifices.

1 CORINTHIANS - 1 Corinthians 6:19,20 2 CORINTHIANS - 2 Corinthians 5:17

The Epistles to the Corinthians presents Believers' position, as Sanctified Holy in Christ. The Holy Spirit indwells them, they become partakers of a new nature, are the temple of God, are separated unto Him, and are a new creation in Christ. From glory to glory He changes us.

## GALATIANS - Galatians 2:20

The Epistle to the Galatians presents Believers crucified with Christ. They are to walk in the Spirit, and are to be sowing to the Spirit, not the flesh. They must be careful that they are not being moved from the sphere of grace, unto legalism. False teachers will try to hinder the growth of Believers in Christ by bringing another gospel. Believers are to stand fast in their liberty in Christ and serve others in love!

## EPHESIANS - Ephesians 3:20,21

In the Epistle to the Ephesians, Believers are presented as seated with Christ in heavenly places. Believers are to be filled with the Spirit and to live a life of Victory over Satan. The power of God is at work in and through Believers.

### PHILIPPIANS - Philippians 3:10

In the Epistle to the Philippians, Believers are presented as living a life of Joy in Christ. He begins the work of salvation and will continue it until the day of Jesus Christ. Believers are satisfied in Christ because of His Person and His Provisions. Christ is the Believer's satisfaction.

#### COLOSSIANS - Colossians 2:9,10

The Epistle to the Colossians presents Believers as complete in Christ. He is their life. Believers are already Spiritually Risen with Christ. They are to seek the things which are above. They are to let the peace of God rule in their hearts and the word of Christ dwell in them richly.

1 THESSALONIANS - 1 Thessalonians 1:9,10. 2 THESSALONIANS - 2 Thessalonians 2:13,14.

The Epistles to the Thessalonians states the Believers Eternal Hope. Believers will be risen with Christ at His Coming. The Believer will have Victory over the grave and will be with Christ forever. Believers will not face the wrath to come. From the beginning Believers have been chosen for salvation through the sanctification of the Spirit.

"For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us." 2 Corinthians 4:6,7

# WHAT OCCURS IN THE LIFE OF THE BELIEVER AT THE MOMENT OF CONVERSION!

- The Believer is Redeemed by the blood of Christ Romans 3:24,25.
- 2. The Believer is Regenerated (Born Again) John 3:3-7, Titus 3:5.
- 3. The Believer is made Alive in Christ Ephesians 2:1-3
- 4. The Believer is Forgiven of all sins Romans 3:24.
- 5. The Believer is a New Creature in Christ 2 Corinthians 5:17.
- 6. The Believer has the Gift of Eternal Life John 5:24.
- 7. The Believer is Eternally Secure in Christ John 10:27-30.
- 8. The Believer is Justified by Faith Alone Romans 3:28.
- 9. The Believer has Peace with God Romans 5:1.
- 10. The Believer is Reconciled to God 2 Corinthians 5:18-21.
- 11. The Believer has a New Standing in Grace Romans 5:2.
- 12. The Believer is a Child of God by Regeneration John 1:12.
- 13. The Believer is a Son of God by Adoption Galatians 4:4-7.
- 14. The Believer is Positionally Sanctified in Christ 1 Corinthians 6:11.
- 15. The Believer is a Saint by Position in Christ I Corinthians 1:2
- The Believer is a Royal Priesthood unto God 1 Peter 2:9,10.
- 17. The Believer is a partaker of a Divine Nature 2 Peter 1:4.
- 18. The Believer is Baptized by the Spirit 1 Corinthians 12:13.
- 19. The Believer in Indwelt with the Holy Spirit 1 Corinthians 6:19,20.
- 20. The Believer is Sealed with the Holy Spirit Ephesians 1:13.
- The Believer becomes a Member of the Body of Christ (The Church)
   1 Corinthians 12:13.
- 22. The Believer has a New Father Galatians 4:4-7.
- 23. The Believer has the Promise of a New Home John 14:1-6.
- 24. The Believer has a New Name Acts 11:26, Revelation 3:12.
- 25. The Believer has His/Her name written in the Book of Life Rev 3:5.
- 26. The Believer has a New Family Ephesians 3:14,15.
- 27. The Believer faces no Condemnation now or in the future -(John 5:24, Romans 8:1). They will appear at the Judgment Seat of Christ to be Judged according to their works, not for Salvation, but for gain or loss of Rewards - Rom 14:10, 2 Cor 5:10, 1 Cor 3:10-15.
- 28. The Believer will not face the wrath to come 1 Thessalonians 1:10.
- The Believer has a New Privilege in Prayer John 15:15-17, John 16:23,24, Hebrews 4:14-16.
- 30. The Believer Receives one or more Spiritual Gifts 1 Cor 12:4-11.