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A Word
For Your
Day

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2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore if any man **be** in Christ, **he is** a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

1 If any man be in Christ

The Bible plainly says **"If" any man be in Christ**

The whole key to this verse is found in the little word **"If"**. There are those that like to say that "so and so got "saved", but they were not strong enough, so that when temptation came, they fell away and now are not fit for Heaven. Beloved, 2 Corinthians 5:17 says absolutely nothing about our personal strength or will power to hold out. What it does say is that **"If"** you or I are **"now" in Christ**, — not at some intangible future date, but the moment that we trust Jesus as our Savior, we are said to **"be in Christ"**. So, according to God's in-errant and Holy Word, If any man (or woman) be in Christ, **right then**, they are said to be a **"New Creature"**.

Now, this New Creature is not a remodeled or renovated sinner, **but** they are an absolutely new **Creation** Jesus said:

Matthew 9:16-17 No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse. (17) Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.

The word **"Creature"**, is from the **Greek Word "Ktisis"** which means building, **creation, creature or ordinance**. This verse is literally saying **"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creation!"** The Christian is not in the process of becoming fit for Heaven, he is, **if he is truly a born again person a Brand New CREATION! He is, right then, a New Creature**

2 Old things are passed away.

The fact that our old things are said to be passed away, is what people say when someone has died. We say that "they have passed away". This is really the true meaning of "Old things are passed away". Literately, those who have been born again and are new Creations. The **"Power of Sin"** that once held them has **DIED** - It has **PASSED AWAY**. Now Satan does not want you to know this and he strives to keep God's kids in the dark.

Romans 6:2-4 God forbid. How shall we, **that are dead to sin**, live any longer therein? (3) **Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?** (4) 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.

3 All things are become new.

For a person to become born again, it is literally like being born all over again. That is the reason 2 Corinthians 5:17 says **"All things become new"**. When a person is born again, he often will have a new friends, new tastes, new good habits, new desires, new everything!

1 Peter 2:2 **As newborn babes**, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

Romans 6:20-22 For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness. (21) What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. (22) But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

It is not about us at all — But it is all about Jesus!