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Clarifying Our Theological Vision, part 4

ADDRESSING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

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Ephesians 4:22-24

...put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man.... and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man....(NKJV)

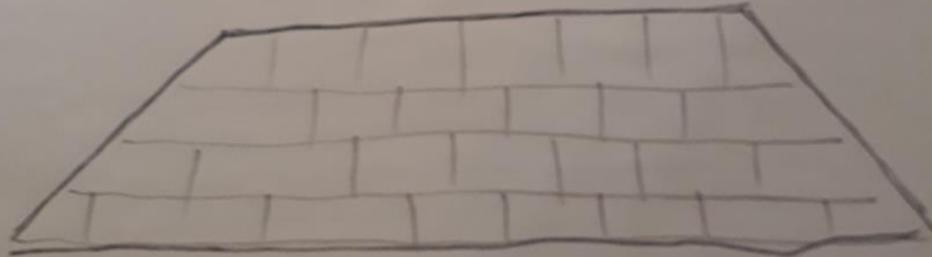
OF OUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST



OF CHRIST'S COMPLETED WORK



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“We should affirm a single identity of the Christian and not a dual identity, even if it might seem that way in our lives. Avoid speaking as if our experience of opposition with the power of sin involves two equals of the same strength and determination. Whatever is resistant to our living in Christ is not an equal to Christ and the Spirit at work in us. Instead, the opposing forces are radically unequal.” Gary Deddo p5

Romans 7:16-17

“If I do what I do not want to do...it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me.”

“And now I realize that it is no longer my true self doing it, but the unwelcome intruder of sin in my humanity.” The Passion Bible

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“When union with Christ and his objective work are viewed in a way that pulls them apart from our personal involvement (thus setting up a dualism), any hope of experiencing that participation in the finished work of Christ here and now is ruled out. That mistaken view posits the idea that we have one identity in Christ, but not one that we are able to experience—we can only experience a dual, conflicted identity— two split selves or subjectivities.” p4

Romans 6:11

“Since you are now joined with him, you must continually view yourselves as dead and unresponsive to sin’s appeal while living daily for God’s pleasure in union with Jesus”.

- The Passion Translation

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CHANGED



Colossians 3:1-14 (RSV)

3 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is....² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

³ For you have died, and your life is hid with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.... ⁷ In these you once walked, when you lived in them.

.⁸ But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth

⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.... ¹²Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, ¹³ forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Romans 6:6-11

⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the sinful body might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For he who has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him.

¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:12-14

“Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³ Do not yield your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but yield yourselves to God as men who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you....”

Romans 7:17-20

“So then it is no longer I that do it, but sin which dwells within me.... ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin which dwells within me.”

