## 7. Eternal Security and Hope

**Reality:** The believer has eternal life and a secure hope of heaven.

John 10:28-29 (NKJV) "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand."

Philippians 3:20 (ESV) "But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ."

**1 Peter 1:3-4 (NLT)** "All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now **we live with great expectation**, and **we have a priceless inheritance**."

### 8. A Life of Transformation

**Reality:** The believer is continually being transformed into the image of Christ through the renewing of the mind and sanctification.

Romans 12:2 (ESV) "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

**2** Corinthians 3:18 (NKJV) "But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord."

Philippians 1:6 (NLT) "And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns."



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**Ephesians 1:15 (NKJV)** Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints,

**Ephesians 1:16 (NKJV)** do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers:

**Ephesians 1:17 (NKJV)** that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him,

**Ephesians 1:18 (NKJV) the eyes of your understanding** being enlightened; **that you may know** what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,

Ephesians 1:19 (NKJV) and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power

**Ephesians 1:20 (NKJV)** which **He worked in Christ** when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places,

**Ephesians 1:21 (NKJV) 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 1:22 (NKJV)** And **He put all things under His feet**, and gave Him to be head over all things to **the church**,

Ephesians 1:23 (NKJV) which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

### **New Creation Realities**

## 1. A New Identity in Christ

**Reality:** The believer is no longer defined by their past sins or failures but is a new creation in Christ. Their identity is rooted in being a child of God.

**2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV)** "Therefore, if **anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation**. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."

Galatians 2:20 (NKJV) "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."

1 John 3:1 (NLT) "See how very much our Father loves us, for he calls us his children, and that is what we are!"

### 2. Freedom from Sin and Condemnation

**Reality:** The believer is set free from the power and penalty of sin. They live under grace and are no longer condemned.

Romans 6:14 (ESV) "For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace."

Romans 8:1 (NKJV) "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit."

John 8:36 (NLT) "So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free."

## 3. The Indwelling of the Holy Spirit

**Reality:** The Holy Spirit dwells in the believer, empowering them to live a victorious and God-honoring life.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (ESV) "Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price."

John 14:16-17 (NLT) "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. He is **the Holy Spirit**, who leads into all truth."

**Galatians 5:22-23 (NKJV)** "But the **fruit of the Spirit** is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control."

# 4. The Infilling of the Holy Spirit

**Reality:** We have been given access to the same power that enabled Jesus to do the work God gave Him.

Luke 4:18 (NKJV)

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; Luke 4:19 (AMP)

To proclaim the accepted and acceptable year of the Lord [the day when **salvation and the free favors of God profusely abound**.]

**Luke 24:49 (NKJV)** "Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."

Acts 1:8 (ESV) "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Mark 16:20 (NKJV) And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen.

### 5. Victory and Authority in Christ

**Reality:** The believer has been given authority over the enemy and can live victoriously through Christ.

Luke 10:19 (ESV) "Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you."

1 John 4:4 (NKJV) "You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because **He** who is in you is greater than he who is in the world."

Romans 8:37 (NLT) "No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us."

## 6. A New Purpose and Mission

**Reality:** The believer is called to live for God's glory, sharing the gospel and being a light in the world.

Matthew 5:14-16 (ESV) "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden."

### 2 Corinthians 5:18 (NKJV)

Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation,

**2 Corinthians 5:20 (NKJV)** "Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: **we implore you** on Christ's behalf, **be reconciled to God**."

**Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)** "For we are **God's masterpiece**. He has **created us anew** in Christ Jesus, **so we can do the good things** he planned for us long ago."