

# Welcome to the Family of God!

The Bible says: When someone becomes a Christian, he/she becomes a brand new person inside. He/she is not the same anymore. A new life has begun (1 Corinthians 5:17). If you with sincerity of heart have asked Jesus Christ to come into your life to be Lord and Savior, this is true of YOU. God's plan for your life will begin to unfold as you continue to live for Him.

These are just a sample of things that have happened to you:

- **Jesus Christ has come into your life.**

"Look! I have been standing at the door and am constantly knocking. If anyone hears me calling him and opens the door, I will come in and fellowship with him and he with me."(Revelation 3:20)

- **God has forgiven and forgotten your sins.**

("for in Christ our release is secured and our sins are forgiven through the shedding of His blood." Ephesians 1:7)

- **You have access to God through prayer**

"But when you pray, go away by yourself, all alone, and pray to your Father (God the Father) secretly, and your Father, who knows your secrets, will reward you." (Matthew 6:6)

- **Your name is now recorded in Heaven**

"However do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in Heaven."(Luke 10:20)

- **Angels in Heaven are rejoicing over you.**

"In the same way, I tell you, the angels of God rejoice over one sinner who repents."(Luke 15:10)

- **A place in Heaven is prepared for you.**

"Our Homeland is in Heaven, where our Savior the Lord Jesus Christ is; and we are looking forward to His return from there."(John 14:2-3)

- **You have eternal life.**

"For God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son so that anyone who believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."(John 3:16)

- **God has an eternal purpose for you.**

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God , to them who are called to His purpose." (Romans 8:28)

- **You are saved from the coming judgement of God**

(Jesus said) " I tell you the truth: whoever hears my words, and believes in him who sent me (God), has eternal life. He will not be judged, but already has passed from death to life."(John 5:24)

- **You have a future and a hope.**

" For I know the plans I have for you), says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)

- **God will never leave or abandon you.**

..."I will never leave you, I will never abandon you."(Hebrews 13:5)

- **You are accepted in the beloved**

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## WHO BELIEVERS ARE IN CHRIST

### Believers Are Accepted

John 1:12 I am God's child.

John 15:15 As a disciple, I am a friend of Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:1 I have been justified.

1 Corinthians 6:17 I am united with the Lord, and I am one with Him in spirit.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 I have been bought with a price and I belong to God.

1 Corinthians 12:27 I am a member of Christ's body.

Ephesians 1:3-8 I have been chosen by God and adopted as His child.

Colossians 1:13-14 I have been redeemed and forgiven of all my sins.

Colossians 2:9-10 I am complete in Christ.

Hebrews 4:14-16 I have direct access to the throne of grace through Jesus Christ.

### Believers Are Secure...

Romans 8:1-2 I am free from condemnation.

Romans 8:28 I am assured that God works for my good in all circumstances.

Romans 8:31-39 I am free from any condemnation brought against me and I cannot be separated from the love of God.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22 I have been established, anointed and sealed by God.

Colossians 3:1-4 I am hidden with Christ in God.

Philippians 1:6 I am confident that God will complete the good work He started in me.

Philippians 3:20 I am a citizen of heaven.

2 Timothy 1:7 I have not been given a spirit of fear but of power, love and a sound mind.

1 John 5:18 I am born of God and the evil one cannot touch me.

### Believers Are significant...

John 15:5 I am a branch of Jesus Christ, the true vine, and a channel of His life.

John 15:16 I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit.

1 Corinthians 3:16 I am God's temple.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 I am a minister of reconciliation for God.

Ephesians 2:6 I am seated with Jesus Christ in the heavenly realm.

Ephesians 2:10 I am God's workmanship.

Ephesians 3:12 I may approach God with freedom and confidence.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me.

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