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# Jesus Christ:

## Our Death In Him

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### THROUGH ADAM, WE WERE BORN SPIRITUALLY DEAD AND CONDEMNED.

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned.

*Romans 5:12*

But the free gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one the many died, much more did the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abound to the many.

*Romans 5:15*

For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

*I Corinthians 15:22*

### GOD DELIVERED US BY PLACING US IN CHRIST.

But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption,

*I Corinthians 1:30*

For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son.

*Colossians 1:13*

### YOUR OLD SELF DIED AND YOU BECAME ALIVE IN CHRIST.

Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin.

*Romans 6:3-6*

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Even when we were dead in our transgressions, (He) made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

*Ephesians 2:5,6*

For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

*Colossians 3:3,4*

## **WHY WE STILL STRUGGLE: THE FLESH.**

For consider your calling, brethren, that there were not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble;

*I Corinthians 1:26*

Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?

*Galatians 3:3*

For we are the true circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh, although I myself might have confidence even in the flesh. If anyone else has a mind to put confidence in the flesh, I far more: circumcised the eighth day, of the nation of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the Law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to the righteousness which is in the Law, found blameless.

*Philippians 3:3-4*

## **WHY WE STILL STRUGGLE: THE POWER OF SIN.**

... sin is crouching at the door; and its desire is for you, but you must master it.

*Genesis 4:7*

For what I am doing, I do not understand; for I am not practicing what I would like to do, but I am doing the very thing I hate. But if I do the very thing I do not want to do, I agree with the Law, confessing that the Law is good. So now, no longer am I the one doing it, but sin which dwells in me.

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For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh; for the willing is present in me, but the doing of the good is not. For the good that I want, I do not do, but I practice the very evil that I do not want.

But if I am doing the very thing I do not want, I am no longer the one doing it, but sin which dwells in me. I find then the principle that evil is present in me, the one who wants to do good. For I joyfully concur with the law of God in the inner man, but I see a different law in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin which is in my members.

Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin.

*Romans 7:15-25*

## **GOOD NEWS: YOU HAVE BEEN FREED FROM SIN'S POWER!**

Knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin.

*Romans 6:6-7*

Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus. Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts.

*Romans 6:11-12*

## **SUMMARY**

### **Old Man/Old Self**

The person I was in Adam → GONE

### **The Flesh**

attitudes & mindsets/independence from Christ → STILL HERE

### **Sin**

a personified power at work in my body — not me! → STILL HERE

## **CONCLUSION: YOU ARE NOT FIGHTING AN INNER CIVIL WAR WITH YOURSELF!**