

YOU ARE IN CHRIST AND CHRIST IS IN YOU

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DAY 1 – TAKE YOUR PLACE IN CHRIST

God has chosen us in Christ Jesus. The believer's greatest need is for the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of God. You are *now* in Christ. The spirit of wisdom and revelation brings things from intellectual information to spiritual power. God wanted a relationship with His man, but man had separated himself from God by sinning.

STUDY IT

- I. Guests: Mark and Trina Hankins
 - God has chosen us in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 1:4).
 - It will increase your faith to go through Paul's letters—his revelations, and circle the words "In Christ," "In Him" and "In whom."
 - Those phrases describe something you are and something you have.
 - Pray the Ephesians 1:17-23 prayer once a day or more for at least six months.
 - The Bible will come alive to you.
 - The eyes of your heart will start seeing revelation.
 - Three things will begin to happen:
 1. You're going to know the high calling of God.
 2. You're going to see your inheritance in Christ.
 3. You're going to experience the tremendous power which God released in Christ toward us who believe.
- II. The believer's greatest need is for the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of God.
 - There is no power shortage; there's only a revelation shortage.
 - God told Joshua to meditate in His WORD night and day; then he would know what to do (Joshua 1:8).
 - For your faith to grow and go forward, there must be a breakthrough in revelation knowledge (revealed knowledge). It's more than just information.
- III. You are *now* in Christ.
 - See yourself raised up together with Jesus Christ, seated together with Him in the place of authority (Ephesians 2:4-6).



- You don't fight the fight of faith from down here. You fight from a place of authority, seated with Jesus Christ.
 - The devil is working on earth; you are seated in heaven in a place of authority.
 - Brother Hankins' word to describe the jolt of joy that came with each revelation is *wasabi*—a hot spice added to sushi.
 - As he meditated on Ephesians 1 and 2, the Holy Spirit revealed things to him, and it was a jolt like *wasabi*.
 - Suddenly he had a new perspective that he is not trying to *get* anything; he already has it. He is seated with Christ in victory. It hit him like a taste of *wasabi*.
 - Everything Jesus did on the cross: the death, burial and resurrection God did for us in Christ, is put to our account just as if we were there.
- IV. The spirit of wisdom and revelation brings things from intellectual information to spiritual power.
- The Greek word for *spirit* is *pneuma*. We can understand Paul's writings if we can have a more comprehensive understanding what *pneuma* means.
 - The Spirit of God is your answer, your victory, your deliverance, your BLESSING and your healing.
 - The spirit of wisdom and revelation is a spiritual thing, not just an intellectual, physical thing.
- V. God wanted a relationship with His man, but man had separated himself from God by sinning.
- The only way God could fix this problem was through a series of Blood covenants.
 - Blood paid for these promises. That's the reason they work.
 - The first two words of the Blood covenant, *In Christ* are covenant terminology.
 - Faith in this book and faith in these covenants will change your life.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

Pray with us for a greater understanding of the spirit of wisdom and revelation:

"Father, thank You for all that Jesus died, was buried and rose again to give me. I desire to know and understand more about You. Today I receive the spirit of wisdom and revelation. I will know about my calling—my identity in Christ—and I will experience the power of God. It's mine and I take it! In Jesus' Name. Amen."



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DAY 2 – FIND YOUR IDENTITY IN THE WORD

We are in Christ and He is in us. *Identification* means “to consider or treat as one and the same.” What Jesus did on our behalf as our substitute is tied to the word *for*; it was for us. Brother Hankins’ grandson, Dylan, literally took the DNA of his brother, Gavin through a bone marrow transplant. Every specific Anointing of Jesus is available to us.

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- I. We are in Christ and He is in us.
 - You are a spirit being. Once you accept Jesus as your LORD and Savior, you are a new creature, a new species of being. You are born again.
 - Jesus is seated in heaven. He has cleansed the heavenly utensils with His blood.
 - We need to know the difference between the atoning blood of an animal and the remitting blood of Jesus.
 - *Remission* means like it never happened.
 - Peter preached that our sins have been remitted (Acts 2:38).
 - We repent of our sins and believe we receive it (1 John 1:9).
- II. *Identification* means “to consider or treat as one and the same.”
 - Everything God did in Christ He did for us, and it was set to our account as if we were actually there.
 - Paul says “I was there. I was crucified with Christ and I was raised to new life” (Galatians 2:20).
 - As you study, pay attention to little words like *for, with, if, in, through and by*.
 - Everything Jesus did, He did *for* us and *on* our behalf.
- III. What Jesus did on our behalf as our substitute is tied to the word *for*; it was for us.
 - Jesus was made a curse for us (Galatians 3:13).
 - You were declared not guilty and you were declared righteous.
 - We were with Him: We were crucified, buried and raised with Him. We are in Him; joined to Him; one with Him.



- IV. Brother Hankins' grandson Dylan literally took the DNA of his brother Gavin through a bone marrow transplant.
- The doctors told them that this transplant would actually change Dylan's DNA. He would be a different person. If Gavin committed a crime, Dylan could be convicted of it, because of their shared DNA.
 - They watched Dylan's blood for three months after the transplant with continual blood testing. The transplant was successful.
 - Gradually, Dylan became Gavin through Gavin's blood.
 - We are not 50% Jesus; we are all Jesus.
 - To be *in Christ* means we are grafted into Jesus.
 - Grafted means each one has an identical cut where the graft is made.
 - When Jesus was wounded, we were grafted into Him.
 - We were crucified with Jesus, buried with Him and raised with Him.
 - We are grafted into the Anointed One and His Anointing.
 - It breaks every identity we had and connects us to who we are now in Christ.
- V. Every specific Anointing of Jesus is available to us.
- God has christened Jesus—anointed Jesus—to preach—that's the gospel (Luke 4:18-19).
 - Jesus was constantly declaring His identity and His destiny.
 - We must do it also. We must find and declare our new identity, and that will determine our destiny.
 - Spend time listening to God. You haven't finished praying until you listen.
 - Brother Copeland's declaration: "My God, I'm Yours to command. Your will and my will are one. My will is subordinate to Your will. I'm available to fight Your battles and win. I'm Yours to command."

MAKE IT PERSONAL

Read and study God's WORD. That's where you will find yourself as you identify with Jesus Christ.

As you learn more about who you are in Christ, write those things down. (Hint: Start with Ephesians 1 and 2.)



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DAY 3 – LIVING IN THE POWER AND AUTHORITY OF CHRIST

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STUDY IT

- I. We are studying who we are in Christ, the Anointed One.
 - Learn who Christ is in us, and the power and authority we have in Him.
 - Study The WORD of God and the new birth to realize we have passed from death to life.
 - The initial act of faith is to move your mouth—to speak your acceptance of God's gift of salvation.
 - Your faith should be strong enough to cause you to speak.
 - Don't ever face your giant with your mouth shut.
 - David won that fight with Goliath by calling on the Name of The LORD of hosts; that is The LORD of angelic armies.
- II. Your identification with Christ is activated by an identical confession of faith (Romans 10:9-10).
 - To *confess* means to “say the same thing.” We agree with God that we are who God says we are.
 - Our initial confession is, “Jesus is LORD” (Philippians 2:11).
 - We have the same spirit—the identical Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead (Romans 8:11).
 - We walk by faith and not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7).
- III. You have been made righteous (2 Corinthians 5:21). God had the authority to do it.
 - You'll never be more righteous than you were when you made Jesus your LORD.
 - If you are a new creature, you are free from struggling to be right with God (2 Corinthians 5:17). You can let go of unworthiness, guilt and shame.
 - The gospel is a photograph of Redemption. Jesus died and Jesus was raised.



- Paul's writing is an X-ray—a picture of what's inside you. It shows what happened, not only *to* you but what happened *in* your spirit.
- IV. Read what God thinks about you.
- Read Ephesians 1 in the first person: I am accepted; I am chosen; I am BLESSED.
 - “ And YOU (that's me) hath He made alive who were dead...” (Ephesians 2:1-5).
 - “But God...” To do a study of God, make sure you know who is talking.
 - In the beginning, *Elohim*, all three members of the Godhead.
 - *El Shaddah*, “I am the God who is more than enough” (Genesis 17:1).
 - *Jehovah Rapha*, The LORD who heals you (Exodus 15:26).
 - Identify with Christ. That was me hanging on the cross with Jesus. I was there.
 - I must actively resist everything Jesus bore for me.
 - Jesus bore my sickness and disease. I have the right to resist sickness and disease.
 - He bore the curse and He was made poor. I have the right to resist poverty.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

As a believer, you have power and authority in Christ Jesus. His power is available to you to use by faith.

Pray with us:

“Father, thank You for Your power that raised Jesus from the dead. That same power is available to me as I face life situations. I ask You to please remind me and help me use Your power and authority to resist every part of the curse and every lie of the enemy. Thank You, Sir. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen.”



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DAY 4 – SECURE YOUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST

God created man in His image. Your highest kind of faith is to know who you are in Christ—your identification in Christ. The greatest display of power in the history of the world was the Resurrection. Jesus is LORD. Everything that His Lordship has produced is in you, the believer.

STUDY IT

- I. God created man in His image (Genesis 1:26-28).
 - Brother Copeland had a vision where he saw God holding a gray creature and speaking to him.
 - Man became a speaking spirit like God.
 - THE BLESSING was the first thing the human ear heard.
 - God said to Brother Copeland, *In your opinion, what is the most powerful thing I ever did? Creation? No, that was easy. No one was against Me. When I raised Jesus from the dead, everyone was against Me. The devil and My people were against Me. No one had ever come out of hell before.*
 - The spirit of wisdom and revelation was demonstrated in the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus, and the impartation of eternal life to man.

- II. Your highest kind of faith is to know who you are in Christ—your identification in Him.
 - Never let your struggle become your identity. What you are going through is not your identity.
 - You are a new creature in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17).
 - God's magnificent authority has been transferred to us.
 - Every name has to bow to the Name of Jesus (Philippians 2:10).
 - He who has the Son has life (1 John 5:12-13).
 - Every religion offers lessons, but only Jesus Christ gives life.
 - The crowning achievement of the Redemption was to get God's life back into the spirit of man.
 - It's the same life that raised Jesus from the dead.
 - It makes you more than a conqueror (Romans 8:37).



- It makes you a new kind of man, a new creature (2 Corinthians 5:17).
 - That life is overcoming life, Resurrection life (1 John 5:4).
 - God gave us eternal life (John 3:15). We have it now. We are in eternal life now.
 - Anyone who has the life of God, who has been refathered by God, has overcoming victory.
- III. The greatest display of power in the history of the world was the resurrection of Jesus.
- There was tremendous resistance to the Resurrection. God had to do it.
 - Now we know the true purpose of covenant.
 - God's covenant partner Abraham, had a miracle son, Isaac.
 - God said, "Offer your son." Abraham said, "The lad and I will be back" (Genesis 22:5).
 - Abraham fully intended to see his son raised up (Hebrews 11:19).
 - As Abraham raised the knife to kill his son, an angel stopped him.
 - If Abraham was willing to offer his only begotten son, God had to offer His Son. It had to be done.
 - That covenant was serious and was ratified in blood.
 - After it was ratified, it was written so it could be remembered and obeyed.
 - God put in Christ what He wanted every believer to have.
 - Jesus is the sample Son. Once we are born again, we are like Him. The things He did while He was on the earth, we can do.
- IV. Jesus is LORD. Everything that His Lordship has produced is in you, the believer.
- As a believer, *to confess* means "to speak."
 - Your confession either brings you into agreement with Christ or with something else.
 - Let your confession come out of your identification.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

Use your faith to secure your identity in Christ. Believe and speak that you are in Christ and therefore, you win the victory.

Make this declaration:

"My identity is that I am *in Christ*. I'm a winner *in Christ*. I am more than a conqueror *in Christ*. Every instruction of The LORD, I can do because I am *in Christ*. Jesus is my LORD; and I am *in Christ*. In Jesus' Name. Amen."



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DAY 5 – PROTECT YOUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST

The righteousness of God has been imparted to your spirit by your faith in Jesus Christ. There's more than one way to look at Jesus' death on the cross. When God raised Christ from the dead, He released enough power to undo everything satan had done through Adam. Protect your identity in Christ.

STUDY IT

- I. The righteousness of God has been imparted to your spirit by your faith in Jesus Christ.
 - One man (Adam) got us in this mess and one man (Jesus) got us out.
 - Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound (Romans 5:20).
 - Robert Hankins, Mark's grandfather, went into an area of Texas that was overrun by bootleggers.
 - The federal authorities tried to stamp out the illegal making of alcohol, but they were not successful.
 - Brother Robert Hankins went in and started a church. He preached the gospel that Jesus is LORD.
 - Jesus radically changed these people, and the bootlegging was gone.
 - The gospel of Christ is the power of God.
 - Many think they need more power; actually, they just need more gospel.
 - The same power is in the gospel as is in the Resurrection.
 - The devil is afraid of every word God ever spoke including "One is coming who will bruise your head" (Genesis 3:15).
 - When God announced "You are My beloved Son" (Mark 1:11), the devil began to target Jesus.

- II. There's more than one way to look at Jesus' death on the cross.
 - Substitution view: Jesus was not a martyr; He was our substitute, and He paid the penalty for our sin.
 - Ransom view: We were held hostage by a power greater than ourselves. Jesus entered death to destroy death—to destroy him who had the power of death, satan himself, and his works.



- Blood Covenant view: The blood of Jesus shed on the cross ratified God's covenant with mankind.
 - Love view: The Love of God and the Love of Christ are overwhelmingly demonstrated by Jesus' sacrifice, which is a picture of God's revelation of His Love for us.
- III. When God raised Christ from the dead, He released enough power to undo everything satan had done through Adam.
- God made us new creatures in Christ, gave us a new heart and a new spirit, set us free, delivered us from the power of darkness, and translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son.
 - We have Redemption through His blood, even the remission of sin.
 - *Remission* means "a cancellation of penalty, absolute remission." This is forgiveness on a molecular level.
- IV. Protect your identity in Christ.
- The message of identification is powerful in bringing life to every part of your life.
 - The thief comes to steal God's WORD.
 - If he can steal The WORD, he can destroy and kill (John 10:10).
 - The devil tries to make you a victim of stolen identity. He wants to steal your identity in Christ Jesus.
 - The devil tried to steal Jesus' identity. Jesus counteracted the temptation with God's WORD (Matthew 4:4, 7, 10).
 - The one confession that will keep you out of hell, get you to heaven, and give you eternal life: Jesus is LORD!
 - THE BLESSING of Abraham redeemed us from spiritual death, sickness, disease, poverty, depression and shame.
 - THE BLESSING has given us spiritual life, healing, divine health and prosperity.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

It's important to meditate daily on who you are in Christ—your spiritual identity. Whatever Jesus did while He was on the earth, you can do. We want to hear from you as you learn to use your identity in Christ to bring victory to every situation. Please send us your testimonies by [clicking here](#), or [contact us on Facebook™](#).

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