

Series: Maturing The Body of Christ

Lesson 2: Man is Created in God's Class [4 Aug 2019]

- 1 Peter 2:2 is where we all start
- Hebrews 5:12 - 14 is where we need to be
- 1 John 5:1, 4
 - Verse 1 — Jesus is The Christ (The Anointed One of God)
 - Verse 4— Faith in God and His Word gives us the ability to overcome anything in this world's system

- 2 Corinthians 5:17 & 18
 - Verse 18 — “all things are new” = all the new things are new: a new way of living
 - Verse 17 — “all things are passed away” = the old sin nature has passed away (died - no longer exists)
 - ✓ Don't resurrect that old sin nature

- 1 Thessalonians 5:23
 - John 4:24 = God is a Spirit, worship Him in Spirit and Truth
 - John 5:24
 - We are a spirit being, possessing a soul and living in this body.

- We're Reconciled with God — the Father agrees that we are His Children

- “We have the spiritual capability and capacity to do what God did and still does” ~ Kenneth Copeland

- I. **You Are a New Creation (as Being Born-Again)**
 - A. Ephesians 1:16 - 23 [this should be our consistent, constant prayer]
 - 1. Verse 17 — a spirit of Wisdom and Revelation
 - a. Colossians 1: 9
 - 2. Verse 18 — Open our spiritual eyes to SEE
 - a. The Hope of God's Calling
 - b. The Riches (value) of God's Glory (which is our inheritance)
 - c. Colossians 1: 27 = Christ in you, the hope of Glory
 - d. To know the Resurrection Power of God (The Holy Spirit)
 - e. Romans 6:4 = The Holy Spirit of Glory
 - C. Verses 22 & 23 — to realize our role as **The Body of Christ** in this earth

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II. Who we were and who we are

A. Ephesians 2:10

B. Ephesians 2:6 is our position IN CHRIST RIGHT NOW

1. Raised by God's Resurrection Power to sit in the seat of Authority with Jesus
2. Matthew 28:18 - 20
 - a. Verse 19 "Go ye" = take My Authority and Teach My Word
 - b. Mark 16:15 - 20
3. Ephesians 2:10 = God doesn't make junk and anything that's not complete
4. Ephesians 2:18
 - a. God's Grace gives us Salvation through our Faith in Jesus Christ
 - b. Grace = God's Favor, God's Influence, God's Power

(John 5:24) [*Amplified Version*] — I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, the person whose ears are open to My words [*who listens to My message*] and believes *and* trusts in *and* clings to *and* relies on Him Who sent Me has (possesses now) eternal life. And he does not come into judgment [*does not incur sentence of judgment, will not come under condemnation*], but he has already passed over out of death into life.

- ❖ Condemnation = an adverse sentence, a judgement against
- ❖ Condemnation = an intense opposition (opposed to God's way)
- ❖ Condemnation (Rick Renner) = an action that leads to one's adverse judgment