Living Your New Christ-Life

Colossians 3:4 KJV When Christ, Who is our life, shall appear, then shall Ye also appear with Him in glory.

We entered into a new life after we received Jesus, and we are born again. The previous persons we were are not the persons we are now. I'm not talking about your body; I'm talking about the real You; Your spirit.

We must do our best to not identify our body as who we are. This will be a challenge, because we have been doing it all of our lives. Almost all the people we fellowship with see us as a body. They probably never speak to you as a spirit. If we study the Apostle Paul's epistles, and let them get down in us, we will start the process of becoming spirit-minded instead of body-minded. Let's look at some of his writings that show this.

2 Corinthians 5:17 AMPC Therefore if any person is [ingrafted] in Christ (the Messiah) he is a new creation (a new creature altogether); the old [previous moral and spiritual condition] has passed away. Behold, the fresh and new has come!

Romans 8:10 KJV And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

Romans 8:13 KJV For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

1 Corinthians 9:27 KJV But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

Notice that the Apostle Paul, who is a spirit born from God, made his body obey him. Paul was not his body; he just lived in the body. We are not our bodies; we live in them.

The un-born-again people, or we might say the non-Christians, are never going to see themselves as spirit. They will always see their body as who they are. That is why the devil can deceive them so easily. The problem that people have with other ethnic groups is that they are looking at bodies instead of spirits. All of us that are born-again Christians must not let the devil draw us into his deception. We must tell ourselves that we are spirit. We are not a body; we have a body that might be black, it might be white, it might be some other color. We should never allow people that are ignorant about spiritual things get us to debate or get into arguments.

2 Timothy 2:23-26 KJV But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. [24] And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, [25] In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; [26] And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

The devil has been around for thousands of years, and he knows that he must divide people before he can destroy them. I, as your Pastor, am calling all Christians to man their battle stations! Fight the good fight of faith! Put on your spiritual armor, which is the Word of God, and stop the devil's lies from destroying people!!

Love you, Pastor Paul

*This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Ezekiel chapter 31
Tuesday Ezekiel chapter 32
Wednesday Ezekiel chapter 33
Thursday Ezekiel chapter 34
Friday Ezekiel chapter 35
Saturday Ezekiel chapter 36
Sunday Ezekiel chapter 37

*Upcoming Events

- 1. **Kids' Camp:** Your camper's sign-in is <u>10am Tuesday</u> at Camp Faith. Pick them up <u>Friday</u> at <u>11am</u>
- 2. **Baptisms:** Sunday at end of Services
- 3. Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Thur 10-11am; Fri 9:30-10:30 in the Gym
- 4. **Mobile Prayer:** Fridays 1:30-3pm in Sam's Warehouse Parking Lot

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LTCC to the phone number $\underline{59769}$. You will receive a confirmation message shortly thereafter.

- **Use this link for **The Christian Center app** http://bgw1.itexttoday.com/apps/2323/8833/ indexm.html
- ** Here is a list of the many gatherings we have for you to get together and fellowship with your brothers

and sisters. Please take advantage of them, and you will bless yourself and others also.

Sundays * Prayer: <u>9am</u> Lee side entrance * Fellowship in Café <u>9:15-9:45 am</u>. * Services 10:45 am

Adult, Youth, and Children classes 9:45-10:30 am

Faith Class: -----Michael Whitley

Financial Class: -----Terry Boyd Foundation 1 Class: ---Pastor Paul Foundation 2 Class: ---Mike Wiggins

Healing Class: ------Lester/Monica Witherspoon Marriage Class:------Danny/Demetrius Williams

Prayer Class: -----Joe Cunningham

Children's Sunday School: 6 months - 5th grade Youth Services: -----Lucas/Cyndi Moore

Young Singles/College & Career —Eliav/Kim Nash

Daily * Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday6:15-7:15am

* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Friday in Chapel on Lee Blvd side of

Church

* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Thur 10-11am; Fri 9:30-10:30 in the

Gym

Weekly * Adult, Youth & Children Services: Sunday 9:45 & 10:45 am; Wednesday night

<u>7pm</u>

Monthly * Men's Meeting: 9am 1st Saturday of each month at Golden Corral

* Crosses at the Corner: 12-1pm 1st Saturday at corner of Sheridan

and Cache Rd.

* Women's Meeting: 9am 2nd Saturday of each month

* Horse Ministry: <u>10am-1pm</u> 3rd Saturday of each month