

# What Does It Mean to be In Christ?

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- freedom
  - sin
  - eternal damnation

### What I lose

- no condemnation
- sin & death

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- Freedom
  - No condemnation
  - No eternal punishment
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- In Christ

## In Christ

- Is There More?
- Romans 3:24 - redemption
- Romans 6:23 - eternal life
- Romans 8:39 - love of God
- 1 Corinthians 1:4 - grace
- 1 Corinthians 4:10 - wisdom
- 1 Corinthians 15:19 - hope
- Galatians 2:17 - justification
- Galatians 3:26 - sonship
- 2 Timothy 3:15 - salvation

So,  
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Am I In Christ?

## In Christ

- I Must Know Christ
  - 1 Corinthians 2:2
  - Philippians 3:8-10
  - John 11:25, 26
  - John 17:3
  - (Mark 12:13-17)

## In Christ

- I Must Obey Christ
  - John 14:15
  - John 14:21-24
  - 1 John 5:3
  - 2 John 6
  - Romans 6:16
  - (1 Peter 2:8)
  - (Joshua 1:18)

## In Christ

- The Place of Baptism
- Centrality of Baptism must not be ignored
- Romans 6:1-11
- Romans 6:3
  - "baptized into Christ Jesus"
- Romans 6:4
  - "buried with Him"
  - "Christ was raised...newness of life"
- Romans 6:5
  - "united with him in... death...resurrection"
- Romans 6:8
  - "died with Christ...live with Him"

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- Acts 1:22
- Acts 2:38, 41
- Acts 8:12, 13
- Acts 8:36
- Acts 8:38
- Acts 9:18
- Acts 10:47, 48\*
- Acts 16:15
- Acts 16:33
- Acts 19:3-5
- Acts 22:16
- 1 Cor. 1:13
- Galatians 3:27
- Ephesians 4:5
- Colossians 2:12
- 1 Peter 3:21

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What Will You Do?



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- Acts 1:22 beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection."
- Acts 2:38 And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- Acts 2:41 So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.
- Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip as he preached good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.
- Acts 8:13 Even Simon himself believed, and after being baptized he continued with Philip. And seeing signs and great miracles performed, he was amazed.
- Acts 8:36 And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?"
- Acts 8:38 And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him.
- Acts 9:18 And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized;
- Acts 10:47 "Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?"
- Acts 10:48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.
- Acts 16:15 And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she

prevailed upon us.

- Acts 16:33      And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family.
- Acts 19:3–5      3 And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They said, "Into John's baptism." 4 And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus." 5 On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.
- Acts 22:16      And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name.'
- 1 Corinthians 1:13      Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?
- Galatians 3:27      For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
- Ephesians 4:5      one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
- Colossians 2:12      having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead.
- 1 Peter 3:21      Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,