All born again Christians know Christ as Saviour. Many Christians know Christ as Lord Very few Christians know Christ as their LIFE!





Life Essentials STEP 4

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LIFE ESSENTIALS

Lesson 4

SEATED BUT WALKING

Let's review the assignment from last lesson. 1. Galatians 2:20. Can you repeat this verse for memory? "I have been Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but _____ in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh (body) I live by ____ the Son of God, who loved me and gave
Himself up for me." Galatians 2:20 What is the significance of this verse to you today?. 2. Romans 6:1-11. How many times did you find your death with Christ mentioned? What is the significance of this truth to you today? _____ 3. What was the impact of the truths that you reviewed from the diagram in the centre of the booklet for lesson 2?_____

Notes

In this session we will discuss: 1. Where is Jesus now? and where am I now in relation to Jesus? 2. Setting the Mind.		
3. Walking in the Spirit.		
It is wonderful to know that: - When Christ died died - When Christ was buried, was buried, (the old me) - When Christ was raised from the dead by faith too was raised with Him.		
But it doesn't stop here.		
1. WHERE IS JESUS NOW?		
Ephesians 1:20 clearly tells us where Jesus is:		
"He (God) raised Him from the dead and seated Him (Jesus) at His (God's) right hand in the heavenly places,"		
After Jesus was raised from the dead, the Father took Him to be with Himself, and seated Him in a place of power and authority over all things.		
That is relatively easy for us to understand.		
Acts 1:9 tells us:		
"And after He had said these things, He was lifted up while they were looking on, and a cloud received Him out of their sight." $^{\prime\prime}$		
So we know where He is, with the Father in		
Now here is another amazing truth: "and (God) raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him (Jesus) in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus," Ephesians 2; 6		
Amazing! We are there with Him too. Can you believe that? Not wishing to question the truth, let's unpack what this means.		

Having been	with Christ, having been	with Christ,
and having been	with Christ, you	u were also seated with
Him in heavenly places	S.	

This little illustration, added to the one in Lesson 2, attempts to show how we were spiritually taken to be with Jesus, where He is now, in heaven.

When your "old self" died with Jesus on the Cross, you also were buried with Him. Your new spiritual self comes to life with Christ and ascends into the Heavenly places with Him. You left behind the bag of short comings, guilt, sins and shame. You are in Christ and He is in you. You exchange your old life for a new one. You now have the Spirit of God in you and your human spirit has been restored to life with God. You are in Christ and along for the great ride of your eternal life. YOU ARE REBORN!
John 3:6, John 11:25-26, Romans 5:5, Romans 6:4-6, Romans 8:10, Colossians 2:12-14, Colossians 3:1-3, Ephesians 1:13b, Ephesians 2:6

As Christians who kno	w that Christ _	within, we	have a choice—
Be filled with spiritual t	hinking and trut	th and walk in LIFE	
OR			
Be filled with earthly h	uman thinking a	and walk in DEATH.	
Which do you think is t	·	DE A MIL	
L17E	OR	DEATH	
			Your Choice
Suggested Prayer:			
Heavenly Father, I that in Him, I am seat is already in heaven. being seated there. I based on my identity need of constant renme what I am. I know likely to learn throug change. I am trusting and my thinking total more and more like this process, as I lead Through this process Your child,	ted in the Heave Thank you for see that all of and citizenshing ewal, in light of that you will red h my mistakes you to teach of lly renewed and he Lord Jesus orn to set my mess you will teach	renly places, and me the security that comy former ways of ip on this earth. My of what you have do never condemn me swhere my thinking me your ways, to had in the process I was a Thank you for low ind on things of he had to walk in the	ny citizenship comes from thinking are mind is in one, to make but that I am g needs to ave my mind will become ing me through
Our next session will	be about LIVI	NG IN VICTORY.	

Date

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Romans 8:5-6

"For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.

For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace,"

What are the two choices in these verses for our mind to set on?

MIND SET **WALK RESULTS (EXPERIENCE)** Things of the According to **DEATH** Living as if we are separated from LIFE! In the Things of the and Joy, rest, security and FRUIT of the

What walk comes from a mind set on earthly things?
What walk comes from a mind set on heavenly things?
What is death in this verse?
What experience do you wish to have?
Then what is the key to getting there?
on heavenly things., like truth found in the of God and Christ living in me.
God's word has a promise for us in Isaiah 26:3 KJV
"Thou wilt keep <i>him</i> in perfect peace, <i>whose</i> mind <i>is</i> stayed <i>on thee:</i> because he trusteth in thee."
Walking in the Spirit always brings P
Walking after flesh (our own way of doing things), always brings turmoil, anxiety, fear, confusion and conflict.

Where are your two feet right now? Or		
Where is your spirit? In me and in		
Where does scripture tells us Jesus also		
So while our feet are upon the	our	is in
Jesus said as much about himself wher	n he was	s here:
'Do you not believe that I am in the F	ather, a	and the Father is in Me?" John 14:10
Then 10 verses later he said:		
"In that day (resurrection day) you wand you in Me, and I in you." John		
n verse 2 and 3 of the same chapter he for I go to prepare a place for you. "If you, I will come again and receive yo there you may be also. John 14:2-3	l go ar	nd prepare a place for
Then, just hours before going to the cro orayed to His Father, He asked of Him:	ss, and	in the garden as He
'I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but through their word; that they may all be c and I in You, that they also may be in Us, You sent Me. John 17:20-21	ne; eve	n as You, Father, are in Me
What did Jesus ask His Father to do ?_		
Why did He ask Him to do his?	-1 -1 -1 -1 -1	_
Have you believed in the Lord Jesus?		
Then who are you one with?		and
What does "seated" mean?		
n the Old Testament worship system in emple, there was NEVER any place to he one offering sacrifices.		

The work of the priest was never done. He was constantly offering sacrifices, day after day, all day long.

He could never sit down.

When Jesus offered Himself, a sacrifice once and for all the sin question was entirely dealt with. He cried out before He died, "IT IS FINISHED."
Hebrews 10:12 tells us:
"but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, sat down at the right hand of God."
Having dealt with sin once and for all, <u>He could sit down</u> .
In the very core of our being, our spirit, we arewith Him. All of our sins, past present and are already dealt with. We have been made one with We can rest, knowing that we are in and He is in
What do you think about this tremendous truth?
What does it do for you?
How can you respond to this truth
2. SETTING THE MIND, WALKING IN THE SPIRIT
Very often, as the Apostle Paul wrote his letters, he used the word "therefore", after he had explained something important. He moved from stating the truth about what happened, and then he gives an important instruction so that we can take action on the truth.
Here is an example from Colossians 3:1 – 4:
" 1 Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. 3 For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory."
Let's look at these verses and pull out some important truths and instructions that will help us.
What has happened to us in verse 1? up with

Where is Christ seated in verse 1?
In section 1 we learned that someone else is too. Who ?
If that is where we are, what are we to do?
In verse 2, Paul calls this by other words? What are they?the
What do you think things above are?
What are we not to set our minds on?that are
Why are we to think this way? Because we have and our life
In verse 4, what is going to happen when we think this way?
we will be is going to be through us, and we will be with Him (Amazing life)
In other words, if we c on h, rather than concentrate on e things, we will live in Him.
This is what the Bible calls, Walking in the Spirit . As we allow the things of the Spirit to occupy our minds, the Spirit of Christ dwelling in us causes us to walk in His ways.
Ezekiel, one of God's prophets said it this way: "I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will be careful to observe My ordinances." Ezekiel 36:27
The Apostle Paul encourages us In Galatians 5:17
"But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh."
And in Romans 8:13
"if by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds of the
body, you will live."
In simple English, when we are focused on Jesus living in us, instead of what is happening around us, our old flesh and
are set aside, and we can walk in victory in Christ's Power.