

# YOU ARE RIGHTEOUS NOW

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The term “heart” in the Bible refers to the innermost being of man, the core of his mind. As long as man condemns himself for anything, he cannot pray to God and get an answer to prayer because he cannot have confidence toward God. “...If our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God” (1 John 3:21b). This is the lesson I want to share with you.

Believers inside of the Church are defeated in so many cases, spiritually, because they do not know what they are in Christ Jesus, they do not know they have been made righteous in him.

Many are spiritually defeated in this life because of sin consciousness. They are born again but the old Devil tells them they are not good enough to have God’s blessings.

Then, too, many people in the Church believe that they are unworthy to receive the goodness of God. This devilish belief keeps driving deeper and deeper into the subconscious mind. If the Bible says you are unworthy, then you are unworthy; but if the Bible, God’s Word, says you are worthy, then you are worthy.

If my spirituality depended upon my own strength, I would of all men be most miserable. I know that I am weak in myself, but I also know that I am made strong in Christ Jesus. I know that I am unworthy of myself, but that Christ has made me worthy. So, no matter how I feel, I know God’s Word says in him I am worthy, and in him I am strong.

Another thing that spiritually defeats people is fear. When you have fear, you cannot have faith. When you cannot have faith, you will be filled with all kinds of need and want. This message will deliver you from all these negatives if you will believe what God’s Word says, and put it into action.

Man, ever since he has been created, has tried to work out his own righteousness by doing the kind of work which would make him look good in the sight of God. Many Christians do all kinds of works to obtain righteousness such as: confession of sins, teaching Sunday school classes, keeping the ten commandments, etc. This is in contrast with people of other religions. They make pilgrimages to shrines, suffer various types of tortures and offer sacrifices. The cry of the heart of every man is to be righteous before God.

Righteousness came by Christ, through the faith of Jesus Christ. Our tears, our toil, and all our praying on our knees will avail nothing. It is not by the cross that you bear, but by the cross Jesus Christ bore that you can become righteous before God.

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God made Jesus Christ to be sin for us. Jesus, who knew no sin, took our sin upon himself so that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. When Christ died upon Calvary's cross, he bore our sin, he bore our sickness. Read 2 Corinthians 5:21. Everything Adam lost in the fall, Jesus Christ bore in his body when he died upon the cross. Today there is no longer a question of the sin problem, for it was settled in Christ Jesus. Today, only the sinner's problem is left.

Do you know that a believer is righteous? Righteousness is simply the God-given ability whereby you are able to stand in the presence of God without any consciousness of sin, guilt or shortcomings in your life. Righteousness is something God gives to you when you are born again. Christ Jesus so made this unto us nineteen hundred years ago. Why do you want to go into the church or the community and say, "I am an unrighteous person?" you are not unrighteous if you are a believer. Not only have you been made **RIGHTEOUS**, but you have been given **WISDOM**, you have been **SANCTIFIED** and you have been **REDEEMED**. You cannot earn it; I cannot earn it' we simply believe it. Oh, how the Church needs to hear this gospel of deliverance. When you know you are righteous in him, no fear can get into your life; no want, poverty or sickness to defeat you, for defeat was defeated in Christ Jesus. You can be released from your bondage today if you will but believe the Word of God.

Do you know that the fear of death keeps many people in bondage a whole lifetime? Get rid of that fear and move into the liberty of God! Christ has delivered us from the fear of death. There is no fear of death to those who are righteous in Christ Jesus and who know that they are righteous.

This gospel gives us a new prayer life and makes us bold in the Lord because we know we are made righteous in him.