

The Christian's Identity and Position in Christ

The following statements from Scripture summarize the Christian's identity and position in Christ. Read these statements aloud often and be reminded of who you are and Who's you are.

Matthew

- 5:13 I am the salt of the earth.
5:14 I am the light of the world.

John

- 1:12 I am a child of God (part of His family – see Romans 8:16).
15:1,5 I am part of the true vine, a channel (branch) of Christ's life.
15:15 I am Christ's friend.
15:16 I am chosen and appointed by Christ to bear His fruit.

Romans

- 3:24 I am justified (declared "not guilty" of sin).
5:1 I have been justified (completely forgiven and made righteous).
6:1-6 I died with Christ and died to the power of sin's rule over my life.
6:18 I am a slave of righteousness.
6:22 I am enslaved to God.
8:1 I am free forever from condemnation.
8:2 I am set free from the law of sin that leads to death.
8:14,15 I am a son of God. God is spiritually my Father (Galatians 3:26; 4:6).
8:17 I am a joint heir with Christ, sharing His inheritance with Him.

1 Corinthians

- 1:2 I am sanctified (made holy) and made acceptable in Jesus Christ.
1:30 I have been placed into Christ and made righteous and holy by God's doing
2:12 I have received the Spirit of God into my life that I might know the things
freely given to me by God.
2:16 I have been given the mind of Christ.
3:16; 6:19 I am a temple (dwelling place) of God. His Spirit and His life dwell in me.
6:17 I am united to the Lord and am one spirit with Him.
6:19,20 I have been bought with a price; I am not my own; I belong to God.
12:27 I am a member of Christ's Body (Ephesians 5:30).
15:22 I will be made alive at the resurrection.

2 Corinthians

- 1:21 I have been established, anointed, and sealed by God in Christ, and I have
been given the Holy Spirit as a pledge (a deposit/downpayment)
guaranteeing my inheritance to come (Ephesians 1:13,14).
5:14 Since I have died, I no longer live for myself, but for Christ.
5:17 I am a new creation.
5:18,19 I am reconciled to God and am a minister of reconciliation.
5:21 I have been made righteousness.

Galatians

- 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. The life I am now living is Christ's life.
- 3:26,28 I am a son of God and one in Christ.
- 4:6,7 I am an heir of God since I am a son of God.

Ephesians

- 1:1 I am a saint (1 Corinthians 1:2; Philippians 1:1; Colossians 1:2).
- 1:3 I am blessed with every spiritual blessing in Christ.
- 1:4 I have been chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy, and I am without blame before Him.
- 1:5,6 I was predestined (determined by God) to be adopted as God's child.
- 1:7,8 I have been redeemed and forgiven, and I am a recipient of God's lavish grace.
- 1:10,11 I will be brought under Christ's authority.
- 1:13 I am identified as belonging to God by the Holy Spirit.
- 2:5 I have been made alive together with Christ.
- 2:6 I have been raised up and seated with Christ in heaven.
- 2:10 I am God's workmanship (His handiwork) born anew in Christ to do His work.
- 2:13 I have been brought near to God.
- 2:18 I have direct access to God through the Spirit.
- 2:19 I am a fellow citizen with the rest of God's family.
- 3:1; 4:1 I am a prisoner of Christ.
- 3:6 I share in the promise of blessing through Christ.
- 3:12 I can come with boldness, freedom, and confidence into God's presence.
- 4:24 I am righteous and holy.
- 5:29,30 I am a member of Christ's Body, the Church.

Philippians

- 3:20 I am a citizen of heaven, seated in heaven right now (Ephesians 2:6).

Colossians

- 1:13 I have been rescued (delivered) from the domain of darkness (Satan's rule) and transferred to the kingdom of Christ.
- 1:14 I have been redeemed and forgiven of all my sins (The debt against me has been cancelled).
- 1:27 Christ Himself is in me.
- 2:7 I have been firmly rooted in Christ and am now being built up in Him.
- 2:10 I am made complete in Christ.
- 2:11 I am set free from my sinful nature.
- 2:13,14 I have been buried, raised, and made alive with Christ.
- 3:1-4 I died with Christ and have been raised up with Christ. My life is now hidden with Christ in God. Christ is now my life.
- 3:12 I am chosen of God, holy, and dearly loved (1 Thessalonians 1:4).

1 Thessalonians

- 1:4 I am chosen and dearly loved by God.
- 5:5 I am a son of light and not of darkness.

2 Timothy

- 1:7 I have been given a Spirit of power, love, and self-discipline.
1:9 I have been saved and set apart according to God's doing (Titus 3:5).
2:10 I will have eternal glory.

Hebrews

- 2:11 I am sanctified and am one with the Sanctifier (Christ), and so He is not ashamed to call me His brother.
3:1 I am a holy brother, partaker of a heavenly calling.
3:14 I am a partaker of Christ; I share in His life.
4:16 I have the right to come boldly before the throne of God to receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

1 Peter

- 2:5 I am one of God's living stones, being built up in Christ as a spiritual house.
2:9,10 I am a member of a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession to proclaim the excellencies of Him.
2:11 I am an alien and stranger to this world in which I temporarily live.
5:8 I am an enemy of the devil.

2 Peter

- 1:4 I have been given precious and magnificent promises by God, by which I am a partaker of God's divine nature.

1 John

- 3:1,2 I am a child of God and I will resemble Christ when He returns.
5:18 I am born of God, and the evil one (the devil) cannot touch me.

Resources:

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