

Bits & Pieces

Being Saved	Born Again
<p>Faith Eph. 2:8 "I mean that you have been saved by grace because you believed. You did not save yourselves; it was a gift from God."</p>	<p>Seeds 1 Peter 1:23 "You have been born again. This new life did not come from something that dies. It came from something that cannot die. You were born again through God's life-giving message that lasts forever."</p>

The sin has been settled

Hebrews 6:1-2

So we should be finished with the beginning lessons about Christ. We should not have to keep going back to where we started. We began our new life by turning away from the evil we did in the past and by believing in God. That's when we were taught about baptisms,^[a] laying hands on people,^[b] the resurrection of those who have died, and the final judgment. Now we need to go forward to more mature teaching.

Colossians 2:13-14

You were spiritually dead because of your sins and because you were not free from the power of your sinful self. But God gave you new life together with Christ. He forgave all our sins. 14 Because we broke God's laws, we owed a debt—a debt that listed all the rules we failed to follow. But God forgave us of that debt. He took it away and nailed it to the cross.

Romans 7:8/17-18

And sin found a way to use that command and make me want all kinds of things that weren't mine. So sin came to me because of the command. But without the law, sin has no power.

The sin is settled = Do not keep focusing on the sins or you will not be able to move forward

1 John 1:9

But if we confess our sins, God will forgive us. We can trust God to do this. He always does what is right. He will make us clean from all the wrong things we have done.

- Instead of looking for rules and guidelines for your daily walk ... look for Jesus

Galatians 5:16

So I tell you, live the way the Spirit leads you. Then you will not do the evil things your sinful self wants.

Romans 7:17-18

17 But I am not really the one doing the evil. It is sin living in me that does it. 18 Yes, I know that nothing good lives in me—I mean nothing good lives in the part of me that is not spiritual. I want to do what is good, but I don't do it.

- Walking in the law /ordinance will cause manner of sins to work in you

Romans 7:7-8

You might think I am saying that sin and the law are the same. That is not true. But the law was the only way I could learn what sin means. I would never have known it is wrong to want something that is not mine. But the law said, "You must not want what belongs to someone else."^[a] 8 And sin found a way to use that command and make me want all kinds of things that weren't mine. So sin came to me because of the command. But without the law, sin has no power.

- Seek him and the circumcision of the heart

Romans 2:29 - Circumcision is that of the heart

A true Jew is one who is a Jew inside. True circumcision is done in the heart. It is done by the Spirit, not by the written law. And anyone who is circumcised in the heart by the Spirit gets praise from God, not from people.

Romans 15:8 - Christ was a man of the circumcision

I tell you that Christ became a servant of the Jews to show that God has done what he promised their great ancestors.

Colosians 2:11 - circumcision made without hand

In Christ you had a different kind of circumcision, one that was not done by human hands. That is, you were made free from the power of your sinful self. That is the kind of circumcision Christ does.

Hebrews 8:10 - Write them in their hearts

This is the new agreement I will give the people of Israel. I will give this agreement in the future, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their minds, and I will write my laws on their hearts. I will be their God and they will be my people.

Hebrews 8:12 - Sins will remember no more

And I will forgive the wrongs they have done, and I will not remember their sins."

- The one and only answer to spiritual issues is life

2 Corinthians 4:12

So death is working in us, but the result is that life is working in you.

John 16:33 - Jesus overcame the world

"I have told you these things so that you can have peace in me. In this world you will have troubles. But be brave! I have defeated the world!"

John 6:63 - It is the spirit that quickeneth

It is the Spirit that gives life. The body is of no value for that. But the things I have told you are from the Spirit, so they give life.

2 Corinthians 3:6 - the letter killeth

He made us able to be servants of a new agreement from himself to his people. It is not an agreement of written laws, but it is of the Spirit. The written law brings death, but the Spirit gives life.

2 Corinthians 3:7 - glory of the law to be done away

The old agreement[a] that brought death, written with words on stone, came with God's glory. In fact, the face of Moses was so bright with glory (a glory that was ending) that the people of Israel could not continue looking at his face.

2 Corinthians 3:8 - the ministration of the spirit is glorious

So surely the new agreement that comes from the life-giving Spirit has even more glory.

- You are complete in Christ , but ...

Colossians 2:10-14

*And because you belong to Christ you are complete, having everything you need. Christ is ruler over every other power and authority. **11** In Christ you had a different kind of circumcision, one that was not done by human hands. That is, you were made free from the power of your sinful self. That is the kind of circumcision Christ does. **12** When you were baptized, you were buried with Christ, and you were raised up with him because of your faith in God's power. God's power was shown when he raised Christ from death. **13** You were spiritually dead because of your sins and because you were not free from the power of your sinful self. But God gave you new life together with Christ. He forgave all our sins. **14** Because we broke God's laws, we owed a debt—a debt that listed all the rules we failed to follow. But God forgave us of that debt. He took it away and nailed it to the cross.*

Galatians 1:15-16

*But God had special plans for me even before I was born. So he chose me through his grace. **16** It pleased him to let me see and know his Son so that I could tell the Good News about him to the non-Jewish people. I immediately prepared to do this work without asking for advice or help from anyone.*