

## BEING "IN" CHRIST JESUS

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[Adapted from John Piper, The Stupendous Reality of Being "*In Christ Jesus*"]

In Christ Jesus you were chosen and given grace before the world was created.

2 Timothy 1:9, "*He gave us grace **in Christ** Jesus before the ages began.*"

Ephesians 1:4, "*God chose us **in Christ** before the foundation of the world.*"

In Christ Jesus you are loved by God with an inseparable love.

Romans 8:38–39, "*I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God **in Christ Jesus our Lord.***"

In Christ there is no condemnation for our sin

Romans 8:1 *There is no condemnation for those who are **in Christ Jesus***

2 Corinthians 5:21, "*For our sake God made Christ to be sin who knew no sin, so that **in him** we might become the righteousness of God.*"

Ephesians 1:7, "***In Christ** we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses.*"

In Christ Jesus you have eternal life.

Romans 6:23, "*For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life **in Christ Jesus our Lord.***"

1 Corinthians 15:22, "*For as in Adam all die, so also **in Christ** shall all be made alive.*"

In Christ Jesus you have become a new creation and a child of God.

Galatians 3:26, "***In Christ** Jesus you are all children of God, through faith.*"

2 Corinthians 5:17, "*If anyone is **in Christ**, he is a new creation.*"

*The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.*"

In Christ Jesus you have been seated in the heavenly places -- now.

Ephesians 2:6, "*God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly places **in Christ Jesus.***"

In Christ Jesus all the promises of God are yes for you.

2 Corinthians 1:20, "*All the promises of God find their Yes **in Christ.***"

In Christ Jesus everything you really needed will be supplied.

Philippians 4:19, "*My God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory **in Christ** Jesus.*"

Philippians 4:7, "*The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds **in Christ Jesus.***"

At the unconscious and decisive level it is God's sovereign work:

"From God are you **in Christ** Jesus" (1 Corinthians 1:30).

But at the conscious level of our own action, it is through faith.

Christ dwells in our hearts "through faith" (Ephesians 3:17).

The life we live in union with his death and life "we live by faith in the Son of God" (Galatians 2:20).

We are united in his death and resurrection "through faith" (Colossians 2:12).

## And Can It Be

1 And can it be that I should gain an in - terest  
2 He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove, so free, so  
3 No con - dem - na - tion now I dread: Je - sus, and

in the Sav - ior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his  
in - fi - nite his grace! Emp - tied him - self of all but  
all in him, is mine! A - live in him, my liv - ing

pain? For me, who him to death pur - sued?  
love, and bled for A - dam's help - less race!  
Head, and clothed in righ - teous - ness di - vine,

A - maz - ing love! how can it be that  
'Tis mer - cy all, im - mense and free, for.  
bold I ap - proach the e - ter - nal throne, and

thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
O my God, it found out me. A - maz - ing  
claim the crown, through Christ my own.

love! how can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
maz - ing love! how can it be that thou, my