

## Exercise His Righteousness Rights

Text: **Rom 5:21** *That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might **grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.***

Introduction: Exercising His Righteousness Rights is the key that unlocks YOUR NEW SELF and lifelong Victory in Christ:

1. YOUR NEW SELF is confident in your Righteous identity in Christ
2. YOUR NEW SELF reigns through His Righteousness!
3. YOUR NEW SELF exercises His Righteousness

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1. YOUR NEW SELF is confident in your Righteous identity in Christ

- Righteousness - the ability to stand in the presence of God without any sense of guilt, without any sense of inferiority, just as if sin never existed (Gr.) - uprightness/right-standing with God

**2 Cor 5:21** *For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that **we might be made the righteousness of God in him.***

- FREEDOM FROM YOUR OLD SELF

**Eph 2:1 NKJV** *And you **He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins,** <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, <sup>3</sup> among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.*

- YOUR NEW SELF

<sup>4</sup> *But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), <sup>6</sup> and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not of works, lest anyone should boast.*

- YOUR NEW SELF is His masterpiece to do His Works!

<sup>10</sup> *For we are **His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.***

2. YOUR NEW SELF Reigns through His Righteousness!

a. YOUR NEW SELF Receives the Gift of Righteousness

**Rom 5:17** *For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; **much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)***

b. YOUR NEW SELF has faith in His Righteousness

- Your heart believes you are the Righteousness of God in Him.
- Your mouth speaks: "I am the Righteousness of God in Christ Jesus"

**Rom 10:6** ***But the righteousness which is of faith** speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down from above:) <sup>7</sup> Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.) <sup>8</sup> But what saith it? **The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith,** which we preach; <sup>9</sup> That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. <sup>10</sup> **For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.** <sup>11</sup> For the scripture saith, **Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.** (Believes he is His Righteousness!)*

c. YOUR NEW SELF is Established in Righteousness – even if life seems to be all over the place!

**Isa 54:10** (NKJV) *"For the mountains shall depart And the hills be removed, But My kindness shall not depart from you, Nor shall My covenant of peace be removed," Says the Lord, who has mercy on you. <sup>11</sup> **"O you afflicted one, Tossed with tempest, and not comforted,***

- YOUR NEW SELF is built by God's Grace

***Behold, I will lay your stones with colorful gems, And lay your foundations with sapphires. <sup>12</sup> I will make your pinnacles of rubies, Your gates of crystal, And all your walls of precious stones.***

- God rules over your children

***<sup>13</sup> All your children shall be taught by the Lord, And great shall be the peace of your children.***

- YOUR NEW SELF is established (firmly anchored) in His Righteousness!

***<sup>14</sup> In righteousness you shall be established; You shall be far from oppression, for you shall not fear; And from terror, for it shall not come near you.***

- YOUR NEW SELF - No weapon formed prospers

***<sup>15</sup> Indeed they shall surely assemble, but not because of Me. Whoever assembles against you shall fall for your sake. <sup>16</sup> "Behold, I have created the blacksmith Who blows the coals in the fire, Who brings forth an instrument for his work; And I have created the spoiler to destroy. <sup>17</sup> **No weapon formed against you shall prosper,*****

- YOUR NEW SELF condemns every opposing voice!

***<sup>17b</sup> And every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord,***

- YOUR NEW SELF is God's Righteousness

***<sup>17c</sup> And their righteousness is from Me," Says the Lord.***

- YOUR NEW SELF takes His Righteous authority and reigns through Jesus within you!

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3. YOUR NEW SELF exercises His Righteousness

- NEW SELF IS SHARP! Exercising the Word of Righteousness

**Heb 5:13** *For every one that useth milk is unskilful in **the word of righteousness**; for he is a babe. <sup>14</sup> But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.*

- **PUT OFF your OLD SELF and PUT ON the YOUR NEW SELF** created in righteousness and true holiness!

**Eph 4:21** *If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:*

**Eph 4:22** (ESV), <sup>22</sup> to **put off your old self**, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, <sup>23</sup> and to **be renewed in the spirit of your minds**, <sup>24</sup> and to **put on the new self**, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

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**2 Cor 5:17** (NKJV) *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. <sup>18</sup> Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, \*\*\*\*<sup>19</sup> that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation. <sup>20</sup> Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.*

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Cornelius' prayers and giving - **Acts 10:4** *And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.*

**Num 10:10** *Also in the day of your gladness, and in your solemn days, and in the beginnings of your months, **ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: I am the LORD your God.***

**Psa 20:1** *The LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee; <sup>2</sup> Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion; <sup>3</sup> **Remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt sacrifice; Selah.** <sup>4</sup> Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy counsel. <sup>5</sup> We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: the LORD fulfil all thy petitions. <sup>6</sup> Now know I that the LORD saveth his anointed; he will hear him from his holy heaven with the saving strength of his right hand.*