

March 19, 2023



A New Nature!

2 Corinthians 5:15-21

A. A New Perspective

“And He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for Him Who died for them and was raised again. So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer.” 2 Corinthians 5:15-16 (NIV)

1. Christ died to bring us near to God.
2. Christ died so that we might live in righteousness.
3. Christ died to purify us to be zealous to do good works.
4. Christ died so we can serve Him as Lord.
“Who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for Himself a people that are His very own, eager to do good works.” Titus 2:14 (NIV)
5. Christ died to create a new creation.
“And to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.” Ephesians 4:24 (NIV)

B. A New Nature

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, Who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and

gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to Himself in Christ. Not counting people’s sins against them. And He committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: be reconciled to God. God made Him Who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.” 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 (NIV)

1. A new message of regeneration.
2. A new message of reconciliation.
3. A new message of ambassadorship.
4. A new message of redemption.

C. A New Life in Six Words

1. **God** created us to be with Him.
(Genesis 1-2)
2. **Our** sins separate us from God. (Genesis 3)
3. **Sins** cannot be removed by good deeds.
(Genesis 4-Malachi 4)
4. **Paying** the price for sin, Jesus died and rose again. (Matthew-Luke)
5. **Everyone** who trusts in Him alone has eternal life. (John)
6. **Life** with Jesus starts now and lasts forever.
(Acts-Revelation)

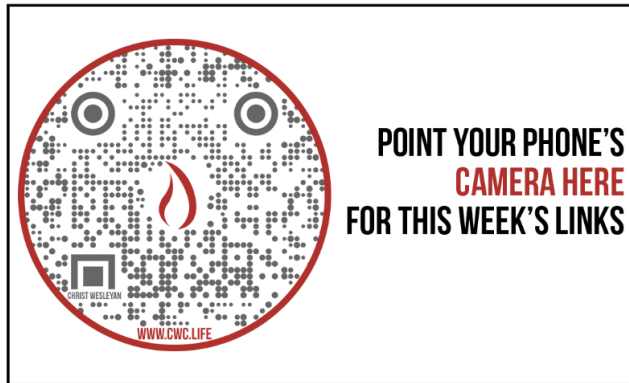
Bottom Line:

One died for all, so that all could die.

To begin a relationship with Jesus...
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Notetakers are history-makers.

Next Sunday:
Milton Campus: Pastor Branden Mestach
The Prodigal Son: Luke 15:11-32



Stewardship Update

Giving last Sunday: 91.7%

Giving year to date: 92.5%

Attendance Last Weekend: 2,120

Salvations to date: 209 | Baptisms to date: 64

Upcoming Happenings:

March 25: Men's Breakfast

March 31: MCS Blood Drive

Youth Fusion Conference

Family Movie Night

Easter Weekend:

April 7: Good Friday Service (Youth Center)

April 8: 6:00pm Easter Service (Milton)

April 9: 6:30am Easter Sunrise Service (Milton)

9:00 & 10:45am Easter Service (Milton)

9:15 & 11:00am Easter Service (Sunbury)