

What was crucified with Christ? (Galatians 2:20)

- Self consciousness died and Christ consciousness came alive. I was restored to the original experience of the Garden of Eden, before man fell from union consciousness to self consciousness.
- In receiving a new spirit, I went from a dead spirit -- one cut off from Christ -- to a live spirit -- one reunited with Christ. I went from separation to union, from self's strength to divine flow.
- I no longer ask God to help "me" become better, because that prayer betrays a still resident belief that "I" am separate from Him, and thus shows that I am still living "self conscious" rather than "Christ conscious." Instead I simply ask Jesus to do the job through me -- demonstrating that through revelation knowledge I have moved back to union consciousness, and I now see myself as the "Christ I" acting.
- My spirit was reconnected to the Holy Spirit Who is working out my soul's salvation, for it is Christ at work in me, healing my shattered heart, restoring my soul and healing my body (Phil. 2:12,13).

He doesn't want to give me strength; He wants to BE my strength.
He doesn't want to give me wisdom; He wants to BE my wisdom.
He doesn't want to give me love; He wants to BE my love

Q. So, Lord, what was my problem? Why am I uncomfortable when I teach the seminar on Naturally Supernatural?

Mark, you have been accentuating the fact that you are a vessel. Mark, you are **more than** a vessel -- there is **also** an organic union. Eventually you become conscious of Me at all times; there is no more this illusion of separation, that I am something within you and separate from you. There comes the revelation that we are one, **and so life and vocabulary take on a whole new perspective.**

You no longer say that "I am the negative and God is the positive." You are joined to God, so you have become positive, for you have learned to live out of your roots at all times, and to be conscious of your roots at all time. **You are no longer self conscious. You are constantly Christ conscious. So you no longer say, "I am the negative and Christ is the positive."** The new reality is that the two have become one. You say "I" and you mean "Christ." So you begin saying, "I am the positive."

There is a progression. You go from speaking of:

- "I" living, out of my own strength, to

- “I” stepping to the indwelling Christ Who is my life, to
- “I” living who is the “Christ I” living.

Those are the stages one goes through. **You are actually in the third stage at this point in your life, and you were talking as though you were in the second stage. Thus you experienced confusion.** You have not distinguished the fact that there is a progression in one’s revelation and thus one’s vocabulary as he goes through this process.

Q. Lord, am I to speak of the old man, or only the new man? Would I want any more to speak of the illusion, or only the reality?

Mark, you only want to speak of the new reality you have found in Christ. You only want to speak of the truth, never the illusion, never error. So don’t speak of whom the “self I” is. If self seeks to rear his ugly head (resurrect himself), confess that which is true (who you are in Christ). That is whom you are to speak of, and only of that, not of error. Not of the old man, because he has been done away with and a new man now lives. Speak and live only out of the new man, never the old man who has been done away with. Thus I have spoken, and thus it is to be done.

Mark, the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak. So the flesh will express weakness, but the spirit will not. So you may say, “My flesh is weak but my spirit is strong.” That is a true confession and that is permissible. However, your focus should always be on energizing your spirit through My Holy Spirit, so that its energy overcomes the weakness of the flesh. Always put the accent on the spirit, never on the flesh. Always speak of the spirit much more than you speak of the flesh. Always fix your eyes on the spirit much more than you fix your eyes on the flesh. Even though you acknowledge the flesh, you never fix your attention upon it. You always fix your attention on the union of My Spirit to your spirit and the flow of My life into and through you. That way you are always fixed upon the positive and never the negative.

So you will never accentuate the fact that you are weak, or powerless, or ignorant. It may be true from time to time that your flesh is, or you are, if you step back from the “Christ I” to the “self I,” but speak instead of who you are in Christ. Your eyes are fixed on Christ. Your mouth confesses who you are in Christ. And you live in Christ. Thus you have been overcome by Christ, and it is the “Christ I” who lives, and not the “self I.”

Thank You, Lord.

Q. Lord, what about this replacement theory rather than the self-improvement theory?

Well, Mark, it is true that I am replacing you, **not trying to improve the self-conscious you. However, what am I replacing you with? It is with a Christ-conscious you, a new you, a you who lives out of the vine, a you who lives out of divine flow.** So there is

still a you living, just a new you. **Not an improved version of the self-conscious you, but a divinely enabled Christ-conscious you.** It is you replaced with Me. It is separation replaced with union. It is self-effort replaced with divine effort. It is self's wisdom replaced with Christ's wisdom. It is self-initiative replaced with divine initiative. It is an isolated dying branch, re-grafted back into the tree that it was cut from. That is what replacement is all about. And that does bring an improvement to you, but not to the self-conscious you, but to a restored Christ-conscious you.

The self-conscious you is what is done away with. And it is replaced with a Christ-conscious you. Self-initiative, which flows out of the self-conscious you, is replaced with divine initiative. This happens because conscious union has been restored between you and God.

On one hand, I have never gone away. You have gone away. You have left the place of abiding. You have gone from "divine flow" to "I can reason on my own." So you have descended from your destined place as an extension of Me to thinking you can live and reason on your own. And thus you have gone from life unto death. In experiencing salvation, you have been restored from death unto life.

For truly the man who reasons on his own has reasoned faultily, for man was never designed to reason on his own, or to talk on his own, or to work on his own, or to do anything on his own but rather to live out of Me, to let Me experientially live through him.

Man fell from divine initiative to self-initiative. Jesus did **nothing** of His own initiative, but only what He heard and saw. He lived out of divine flow. That is why Jesus would not claim goodness as something He was, because Jesus knew what they meant. They meant that He Himself had become good, and He knew that all goodness flowed from the God that lived within and Who lived in heaven. So He would not accept their acclaim that He was good, even though He was good. He was living out of divine flow, so He could have claimed it, but He chose instead not to, as He wanted to teach them a lesson.

So what is replaced is self consciousness. It is replaced with divine consciousness. You step from self initiated action to divinely initiated action. What dies is self consciousness. What comes alive is the restoration of divine consciousness -- not as a theory but as a reality, as one tunes to My voice and My vision and My strength which flows from My river within. It is called abiding in Christ, abiding in the vine, living Christ conscious. It is living out of Me rather than living out of you. It is a step back to the original position man had in the Garden of Eden.

My flow is effortlessly there within you at all times. It never goes away. You just need to be tuned to it. You tune away from your own self-confidence, and to a divine self-confidence.

Q. So then, why does one need inner healing if self is gone and has been replaced?

The wounds of one's soul need to be healed by Me so that My river within his spirit can flow out through the human vessel freely and without hindrance. Inner healing heals the brokenness the soul experiences when one is living as a self-conscious individual. Thus it serves an important function in allowing the full release of My Spirit out through the human vessel.

The Self I

I Live

By My Strength

Living Self Conscious

An Unhealed and Unanointed Vessel

The Christ I

Christ Lives Within

By the Holy Spirit

Living Christ Conscious

A Healed and Anointed Vessel

The Picture

A branch cut off from the tree

The Picture

A branch grafted into the tree – abiding

Distinctives:

Self initiative = puny

Self awareness = limiting

Self's flow = ineffective

Self's imaginations = vain

Self's reasoning = vain

Self's love = limited

Self's efforts = puny

Self's focus = limited

Self worship = pride

Self's accomplishment = weak

Distinctives:

Divine initiative = mighty

Divine awareness = unlimited

Divine flow = effective

Divine pictures = powerful and healing

Divine thoughts = a wisdom not of this age

Divine love = unlimited

Divine enabling = mighty

Divine focus = unlimited

Divine worship = humility

Divine accomplishment = mighty and majestic

Verses confirming the above "Christ I" distinctive:

I do nothing on my own initiative (Jn. 5:19,20,30).

It is Christ at work in us to will and to work of His good pleasure (Phil. 2:13).

Out of your innermost being shall flow... (Jn. 7:37-39).

Young men shall see visions and old men will dream dreams (Acts 2:17).

Come let us reason together... (Is. 1:18).

Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit (Lk. 4:14).

The love of God has been poured out within our hearts (Rom. 5:5).

The Spirit of God is upon me because He has anointed me to... (Lk. 4:18).

Looking to Christ, the author and finisher... (Heb. 12:1,2).

God gives grace to the humble (Jas. 4:6).

Jesus healed all who were oppressed by the devil (Acts 10:38).

My Confession Concerning Who I Am in Christ

Right confession = speaking only what God says

**Whatever you fix your eyes upon grows within you.
Whatever grows within you, you become.**

My spirit is joined to the Holy Spirit, so I no longer live alone, but Christ energizes my spirit and lives out through me, restoring my heart, my soul and my body. I can do all things through Christ Who lives within me and Who strengthens me. Christ is my hope of glory. I labor, striving according to His power, which mightily works within me. I am strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for in Him all the fullness of the Deity dwells in bodily form, and in Him I have been made complete.

I am joined to Christ. Christ is formed within me, and I am clothed with Christ. I am saturated with Christ, through and through. On whatever level of myself I look, I see Jesus.

I have been chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world. I stand holy and blameless before God in love.

I have received God's divine nature within me, and through it I am escaping the corruption and lust that is in the world. I live by faith that all the promises of God are to me through Christ. I have been blessed with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.

Everything in heaven and earth is summed up in Christ, and through Christ I have obtained an inheritance. I pray for a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him. I pray that the eyes of my heart may be enlightened, so that I will know what is the hope of God's calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward me, a believer. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him Who fills all in all.

I was dead in my trespasses and sins, in which I formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. Living in the lusts of my flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and was by nature a child of wrath, even as others. But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved me, even when I was dead in my transgressions, made me alive together with Christ (by grace I

have been saved), and raised me up with Him, and seated me with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

According to the riches of Christ's glory, I am strengthened with power through His Spirit in my inner man. Christ dwells in my heart through faith; and I am rooted and grounded in love. I am able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth of Christ's love, which surpasses knowledge. I am filled up with all the fullness of God.

So I worship Him Who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that I ask or think, according to the power that works within me. To Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

I pray that I may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that I will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.

I am strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, and I am able to obtain patience, joyfulness, and thankfulness. I share in God's inheritance to the saints.

I have been rescued from the domain of darkness, and transferred to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in Whom I have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities -- all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything. For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him, and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven. And although I was formerly alienated and hostile in mind, engaged in evil deeds, yet He has now reconciled me in His fleshly body through death, in order to present me before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach -- if indeed I continue in faith.

God willed to make known what is the riches of His glory to me, which is Christ in me, the hope of glory. So I proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that I may present every man complete in Christ. For this purpose I labor, striving according to His power, which mightily works within me.

In Christ are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. As I have received Christ, I will walk in Him. That is by faith. I will be established in faith, and I will overflow with gratitude. For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form, and in Him I have been made complete, and He is the head over all rule and authority; and in Him I was also circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, in the removal of the body of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ; having been buried with Him in baptism, in which I was also raised up with Him through faith in the working of God,

who raised Him from the dead. When I was dead in my transgressions and the uncircumcision of my flesh, He made me alive together with Him, having forgiven me all my transgressions, and canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against me, which was hostile to me; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him.

Therefore no one is to act as my judge in regard to food or drink or in respect to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath day -- things which are a mere shadow of what is to come; but the substance belongs to Christ. No one will defraud me of my prize by delighting in self-abasement and the worship of the angels, taking his stand on visions he has seen, inflated without cause by his fleshly mind, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the entire body, being supplied and held together by the joints and ligaments, grows with a growth which is from God.

Since I have died with Christ to the elementary principles of the world, I will not submit myself to decrees, such as, "Do not handle, do not taste, do not touch!" (which all refer to things destined to perish with use) -- in accordance with the commandments and teachings of men. These are matters which have, to be sure, the appearance of wisdom in self-made religion and self-abasement and severe treatment of the body, but are of no value against fleshly indulgence.

Since I have been raised up with Christ, I will keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. I set my mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth because I have died and my life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ, Who is my life, is revealed, then I will be revealed with Him in glory.

Therefore I consider the members of my earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry. For it is because of these things that the wrath of God will come upon the sons of disobedience, and in them I also once walked, when I was living in them. But now I put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from my mouth.

I do not lie to others, since I have laid aside the old self with its evil practices, and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One Who created him -- a renewal in which there is no distinction between people, but Christ is all, and in all.

If I love another, God abides in me, and His love is perfected in me. By this I know that I abide in Him and He in me, because He has given me of His Spirit.

By His doing I am in Christ Jesus, Who became to me wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption, so that, just as it is written, "LET HIM WHO BOASTS, BOAST IN THE LORD."

I determined to speak of nothing except Jesus Christ, and His death and life within us. My preaching will not be in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God. Yet I do speak wisdom among those who are mature; a wisdom, however, not of this age nor of the rulers of this age, who are passing away; but I speak God's wisdom in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God predestined before the ages to our glory; the wisdom which none of the rulers of this age has understood; for if they had understood it they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

It is written,

"THINGS WHICH EYE HAS NOT SEEN AND EAR HAS NOT HEARD,
AND WHICH HAVE NOT ENTERED THE HEART OF MAN,
ALL THAT GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM."

For to us God revealed them through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God. For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so the thoughts of God no one knows except the Spirit of God. Now I have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit Who is from God, so that I may know the things freely given to me by God, which things I also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.

But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised. But he who is spiritual appraises all things, yet he himself is appraised by no one.

For WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD, THAT HE WILL INSTRUCT HIM? But I have the mind of Christ.

Verses undergirding my confession of who I am:

I Corinthians 6:17; Galatians 2:20; Philippians 4:13; Colossians 1:11, 27-29; 2:9,10; Galatians 3:27; 4:19; Ephesians 1:4; II Peter 1:4; II Corinthians 1:20; Ephesians 1:3, 10,11, 17-23; 2:1-7; 3:16-21; Colossians 2:3,6,7,9-23; 3:1-11; I John 4:7-16; I Corinthians 1:30 - 2:16

Caution: Note what is not in the confession statement. That will help you as much as confessing what is on it. Calling yourself a sinner or weak or miserable or dumb is NOT on the list, and is not acceptable. It is not acceptable and it is not allowed and it is not to be done. (Journaling from the Lord Jesus Christ)