

## Reigning With Life Part 6: The Nature of God

Romans 5:18-21

Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of **One** the free gift came upon all men unto **justification** of life.

**justification** - Dikaíōsis (dik-ah'-yo-sis) - acquittal - a judgment that a person is not guilty of the crime with which the person has been charged. For example: "The trial resulted in an acquittal. His record is clear of all charges."

19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of **One** shall many be **made righteous**. 20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might **abound**. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: 21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, **even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life** by Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Reign**— [Gr. basileuō], [bas-il-yoo'-o] to reign as a king or the governor.

Romans 5:17 (NLT)

For the sin of this one man, Adam, caused death to rule over many. But even greater is God's wonderful grace and his gift of righteousness, for all who **receive** it, will **live in triumph** over sin and death through this one man, Jesus Christ.

John 5:25-26

Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and **they that hear shall live**. 26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have **life in himself**.

John 1:4

In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

**Walking in the life of God is yielding to the life of God.**

John 10:10

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come **that they might have life**, and that they might have it more abundantly.

- Romans 4:12 And (Abraham) the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also **walk** in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had being yet uncircumcised.
- Romans 6:4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should **walk in newness of life**.
- Galatians 5:25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also **walk in the Spirit**.
  - **Our biggest issue is the mind. Walking in the *new creation reality* is dependent on *knowing* who we are in Christ.**
- Jesus knew Who He was:
  - John 3:31 He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: he that cometh from heaven is above all.
  - John 8:22-24 Then said the Jews, Will he kill himself? because he saith, Whither I go, ye cannot come. 23 And he said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world. 24 I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins.
  - John 3:35-36 The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand. 36 **He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life (the nature of God)**: and he that believeth

not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

- 1 John 3:1-3 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. 2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. 3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.
- E.W Kenyon said, “We have the Nature and the Life of the Father. We are in Christ. Believers are in danger of being attracted to earthly things, such as money and the pleasures of life. If we could know we are not of the earth, as we know we are men or women, and know that our highest joy is to be found alone in Christ, it would make a great difference in our earth walk.”
- Matthew 12:40-42 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. 41 The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here. 42 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.
  - Jesus was simply stating fact that He was was greater. Not because He was God, but because He was born from above. He knew that to be the reality.

- 2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.
  - 2 Corinthians 5:17 (CJB) Therefore, if anyone is united with the Messiah, he is a new creation—the old has passed; look, what has come is fresh and new!
  - 2 Corinthians 5:17 (GW) Whoever is a believer in Christ is a new creation. The old way of living has disappeared. A new way of living has come into existence.
  - 2 Corinthians 5:17-18 (BBE) So if any man is in Christ, he is in a new world: the old things have come to an end; they have truly become new. 1
- Ephesians 5:1-2 Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; 2 And **walk in love**, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.
- 1 John 2:6 He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.
  - How did He walk?
  - He walked in the light of Who He was – born of God.

1 John 4:4-6 4 **Ye are of God (His nature & character), little children (of God)**, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. 5 They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them. 6 We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

Ephesians 1:7 In whom **we have redemption** through his blood, the *forgiveness* of sins, according to the riches of his grace.

Redemption, Gr. apolytrōsis (op-o-loo'-tro-sis) - a releasing, effected by payment of ransom

Forgiveness, Gr. áphesis (of'-e-sis) - release from bondage or imprisonment

Eph. 1:7 (YLT) "In whom we have our redemption through his blood, the remission of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace."

Romans 3:24-25 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: 25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the **remission of sins** that are past, through the forbearance of God.