

You Have Received Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior - Now What?

New Life, New Covenant & Walking With God

Key Scriptures: Luke 22:20 • Hebrews 9:15 • Hebrews 10:16 • Ephesians 1:13-14 • Romans 8:9, 14 • John 8:31 • Galatians 5:16 • James 1:22 • 1 Peter 2:2 • Acts 2:42

VIDEO TEACHING NOTES

You have heard the Gospel. You have repented toward God, placed your faith in Jesus Christ, and received Him as your Lord and Savior. Now what?

Receiving Jesus Christ is not the end. It is the beginning of a new life and a covenant relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

A covenant is a binding relationship established by God. Throughout the Bible, God reveals Himself as a covenant-making and covenant-keeping God.

Before Jesus went to the cross, He said:

“This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.” — Luke 22:20

The word translated testament means covenant. Hebrews 9:15 identifies Jesus Christ as the Mediator of the New Covenant.

One of the great promises of the New Covenant is God's work within His people. Hebrews 10:16 says:

“I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them.”

God is not simply giving you a religion to practice outwardly. You now belong to Him.

God also gives His people the Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 1:13 says:

“After that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise.”

Verse 14 calls the Holy Spirit “the earnest of our inheritance.” Earnest means a pledge or guarantee. The Holy Spirit is God's guarantee of the inheritance He has promised His people.

Romans 8:9 teaches that the Spirit of Christ dwells in those who belong to Him. You are not expected to live this new life by your own strength.

You are now learning to walk with God and be led by His Spirit. Romans 8:14 says:

“For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.”

You have also become a disciple of Jesus Christ - a learner and follower. Jesus said:

“If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed.” — John 8:31

So learn the Word of God. Learn who God is, His ways, what He calls good and evil, and His commandments. As God teaches you, put His Word into action.

James 1:22 says:

“But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only.”

Walk in the Spirit rather than the flesh. Pray. Fellowship with other believers. Receive correction from God's Word. Turn away from old ways of thinking and living. When you sin, confess it to God.

You are not doing these things to earn salvation. You are learning to live as someone who has been saved by God's grace and brought into covenant relationship with Him through Jesus Christ.

As you abide in Christ, your life should increasingly bear fruit that glorifies God.

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