# Identity of the Believer

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There is a life Balancing Question a Believer must settle, if they are to grow into "The measure of the stature of the fullness of the Anointed One." (Ephesians 4:13)

Why am I here:

Hebrews 10:5-7 (NAS)

Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says,

"Sacrifice and offering You have not desired,

But a body You have prepared for Me;

In whole burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin You have taken no pleasure.

<sup>7</sup> "Then I said, 'Behold, I have come (In the scroll of the book it is written of Me) To do Your will, O God.'"

Messiah said of Himself, "Behold, I have come to do thy will," (Oh Lord)

John 14:12 (NASB)

<sup>12</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater *works* than these he will do; because I go to the Father.

The Born again child of the Lord, Jehovah Lord of Hosts, has the same job description.

John 17:22

I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one--

1 John 2:6

Whoever claims to live in him must live as lesus did.

1 John 3:1

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

What an amazing consolation, to know why I am on the earth.

As with any journey, I must know where I am, to chart a course to where I am to go.

# 1 John 4:17 (NASB)

<sup>17</sup> By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world.

As He is, seated in Authority
Risen in triumph
Empowered in all three realms
(Heaven, earth, hell, for He won in all)

How can I be sure I am called to do His works?

# 1 Peter 2:21

To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

Follow His steps of victory!

# 1 John 3:24

The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

# 1 John 4:17

This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus.

We are like our Lord, we are joint-heirs with our Lord, we are brothers with our Lord, we are empowered of our Lord, we are seated in the Heavenly Throne Room, in our Lord.

We have access to the "Throne of Grace."

# 1 Timothy 3:16

Beyond all question, the mystery from which true godliness springs is great: He appeared in the flesh, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory.

He won for us, so we demonstrate satan's defeat, and live "victorious over the fall", lives.

#### 1 John 3:8 (NASB)

<sup>8</sup> the one who practices sin is of the devil; for the devil has sinned from the beginning. The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.

Our job: destroy the works of satan

Do the will of the Father

Live in the victory He purchased for us

Speak in the authority He won on our behalf

#### Hebrews 9:26

Otherwise Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But he has appeared once for all at the culmination of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself.

What does it mean "to do away with sin"?

To put sin in its place, under the Blood, atoned for, unable to enslave or rule over you.

### Romans 8:16-17 (NASB)

<sup>16</sup> The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God,

We <u>are</u> not going to be.

<sup>17</sup> and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him* so that we may also be glorified with *Him*.

Fellow heirs, children of God.

To suffer with Him, means to resist the evil one and sin. We are on the victory lap, no evil passengers.

People enslave themselves, when they say or think, I can't help myself, the pull is too great, the temptation too strong. Wake up to victory over!

#### Hebrews 2:14

Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death--that is, the devil—

We won over evil in the resurrection!

#### John 13:15

I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

The Believer is in a lifelong game of "follow the Leader."

# 1 John 2:6 (NASB) <sup>6</sup> the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.

Doing what the leader exemplified for us.

Saying what He said of and about us.

Doing His deeds in the earth.

Salt and light, what a delight, to be right.

- Let me salt that slice of life for you
- Let me shine the light of revelation on that for you
- Follow my lead

He, The Spirit of Truth, (the spirit nature of The Word) When He is come.

- 1. Into the earth
- 2. Into you

Will lead you into all TRUTH

Show, reveal to you what's gonna come along.

John 5:20

For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, and he will show him even greater works than these, so that you will be amazed.

As a Son of God, you have a God given right to expect this from your Daddy...

Be, who you be, in Him...

Understand the Believer's job description.