The Light - Junior Series Lesson 75

Jesus is Alive & You Lives in You!



BEFORE YOU BEGIN

If YOU have never believed in the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior, you have the opportunity to do so right NOW. Simply tell God the Father that you believe in His Son, Jesus Christ, who loved us so much that He came down from heaven and became a man to take our place and pay for the penalty for all the sin of all mankind. Jesus, the Savior died on the Cross for your sins and the sins of the whole world. Then Jesus was buried but He rose again and He is alive today seated at the right hand of the Father in heaven. When you make the decision to believe in Jesus in simple faith based on His work on the Cross, you are now a believer and will always be a child of God. When you die, you will spend eternity with Him in Heaven. (Acts 16:31) "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved." (John 3:16) "God loved the world so much that He gave is One and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."



<u>Lesson</u>

When Jesus decided to become a man and save us, He sold all He had to follow the Father's plan for His life as the God/Man. He was rich in heaven and He became poor on earth so we might become rich on earth and in heaven. He humbled Himself, taking the form of a slave, and stayed obedient all the way to the death of the cross. He was forsaken (left alone) by His Father and we read in the Psalms that He cried out in Psalm 22:6, "I am a worm now, not a man".

You will realize Jesus' sacrifice for you more and more as you continue to grow in God's Word and learn all about Him. As you run the race God has for you and live your spiritual life IN JESUS, you start to realize the fact that you are limited. You cannot do it on your own! Only Jesus can do it for you IF you allow Him to. You MUST make the choice and rely on His power. He lives in you as a believer.



See you're naturally WEAK! Jesus is naturally POWERFUL. Even when he lived on earth as a man, He relied on the Holy Spirit's power to do His miracles and healings. You were born WEAK. You are limited in what you can do. YOU NEED JESUS!!! Jesus has no limits!!

John 14:20 "In that day you will know that I am in My Father and you (are) in me (union with Christ), and I in you (Jesus living in you)". Gal 2:20 "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the

Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me."

You limit Jesus when it comes to yourself.

You must believe and have faith that "I'm crucified with Christ! It is NO LONGER I who am living this life but CHRIST LIVES in me."

You're LIMITED and the one who limits Jesus by relying on yourself! Get out of the way and put Christ there...HE'S UNLIMITED! CHRIST HAS NO LIMITS! We have limits.

Again: Gal 2:20 "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me."

Take your biggest constant problem in your life...the one that you are always battling. Be honest about how you are the one that contributes to that problem being a problem for you. You know what I mean...your choices to continue with the problem.

So instead think: In the area of *my problem* I have been crucified with Christ! When it comes to *my problem*, I must live by faith (believe) in the Son of God and rely on Him alone!

Let's make this practical.

One way to tap into the power of Gal 2:20 is to apply it to that one area of your life that keeps giving you fits.



This is just an example but let's say that you are a failing to do your work in school and getting bad grades. And every time the subject comes up you want to cringe. Somebody points something out about your bad grades in school and part of you wants to hide and the other part wants to punch the guy in the face. Every time you have to deal with your bad grades it's like somebody stuck a knife in you.



Failed grades, bad attitude, not obeying your parents, telling lies...or whatever it is. Think Gal 2:20 "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself up for me."

Now let's take that and plug into Gal 2:20. My poor performance in school is crucified with Christ; and my poor performance in school no longer lives, but Christ lives in me; (you are ALLOWED to call on His power) and so from now on the life which I live with respect my poor performance in school, I can now perform well in school by faith in the Son of God (this is when we allow the power) who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

Hey kids, we all sin as humans and there are all kinds of sins: we murder, hate, lust, give up hope, we're cowards; there's addiction, abuse, criminality, selfishness, pride, greed, doubt about God, revenge, jealousy, meanness, bitterness, disobedience and on and on. No matter what it is, if it is a feature or our natural, fallen state as men and God has dealt with it. His answer is crucifixion. He dealt with it with on the cross of Christ.

Then He placed you in Christ and placed Christ in you and provided this brand new life...a life that knows no limits because Jesus lives in you now. Jesus is ALIVE in you NOW!!!! And this life can only be lived one way...BY FAITH IN THE SON OF GOD. I can do it in Jesus!



RELY ON HIM!!!

It's Jesus' turn now. Faith means turning to Christ and saying, it's your turn now, Jesus, I turn this completely over to you, Jesus.

Go and live your life in Jesus and His power. God's design is for you to live completely and totally and continuously by faith in what the Son of God will do in you. In fact He has already done it! It is finished! SO



Close in prayer

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