

INCLUDE PEOPLE THROUGH THE GOSPEL

HOW TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE - Part 5 of 7

I told you the most important part of the message exactly as it was told to me. That part is: Christ died for our sins, as the Scriptures say. He was buried, and three days later he was raised to life, as the Scriptures say. 1 Cor. 15:3-4 (CEV)

Christ has been raised to life! And he makes us certain that others will also be raised to life. 1 Cor. 15:20 (CEV)

God picked you out as his from the very start. Think of it: included in God's original plan of salvation by the bond of faith in the living truth. This is the life of the Spirit he invited you to through the Message we delivered, in which you get in on the glory of our Master, Jesus Christ. 2 Thes. 2:13-14 (Mes)

GOD WANTS TO INCLUDE YOU...

1. IN HIS _____

You also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit. Eph. 1:13

You are included among those... who have been called to belong to Jesus Christ. Rom. 1:6 (NLT)

Now you are free from the power of sin... and his benefits to you include holiness and everlasting life. Rom. 6:22 (LB)

2. IN HIS _____

He included everyone in his death so that everyone could also be included in his life, a resurrection life, a far better life than people ever lived on their own. 2 Cor. 5:15 (Mes)

I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. John 17:20-21

LIFE IN CHRIST MEANS I'M INCLUDED...

1. IN HIS _____

Christ purifies people from their sins, and both he and those who are made pure all have the same Father. That is why Jesus is not ashamed to call them his family. Heb. 2:11 (GN)

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God... You received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children... His Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. Rom. 8:14-16 (NLT)

2. IN HIS _____

The Father loves the Son and includes him in everything he is doing. John 5:20 (Mes)

Jesus answered them, "My Father is always working, and I too must work." John 5:17 (GN)

I tell you for certain that if you have faith in me, you will do the same things that I am doing. John 14:12 (CEV)

Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly. Matt. 11:29-30 (Mes)

3. IN HIS _____

If we get included in Christ's sin-conquering death, we also get included in his life-saving resurrection. Rom. 6:6-8 (Mes)

Happy and holy are those who share in this first raising of the dead. The second death has no power over them. They will be priests for God and for Christ and will rule with him. Rev. 20:6 (NCV)

When he comes on that day, he will receive glory from his holy people—praise from all who believe. And this includes you, for you believed what we told you about him. 2 Thes. 1:10 (NLT)