

Assurance and Joy of Salvation

—*Freed by the Lord (Hymn 310)*

1. *Once I was bound by sin's galling fetters,
Chained like a slave I struggled in vain;
But I received a glorious freedom,
When Jesus broke my fetters in twain.*

Chorus:

*Glorious freedom, wonderful freedom,
No more in chains of sin I repine!
Jesus the glorious Emancipator,
Now and forever He shall be mine.*

2. *Freedom from all the carnal affections,
Freedom from envy, hatred and strife;
Freedom from vain and worldly ambitions,
Freedom from all that saddened my life.*
3. *Freedom from pride and all sinful follies,
Freedom from love and glitter of gold;
Freedom from evil temper and anger,
Glorious freedom, rapture untold.*

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Scripture Reading: Rom. 5: 17, 19; 1 Cor. 15:22; 1:30; Col. 1:13;
John 1:12; Gal 3:27

I. In God's eyes, there are only two men in the universe, Adam and Christ:

- A. The first man—Adam—is earthly and the head of the old creation—Gen. 1:27, 1 Cor 15:47a:
 - 1. Sin entered into the world through the disobedience and offense of one man—Rom. 5:12, 14, 16, 18-19.
 - 2. Death passed on to all men through sin—Rom. 5:12.
- B. The second man—Christ—is heavenly and the head of the new creation—Rom. 1:3, 4; 1 Cor. 15:47:
 - 1. Through Christ's obedience and righteous act, man is justified—Rom. 5:18b.
 - 2. Through Christ, man receives eternal life—Rom. 5:21b.

II. Man's position—either in the fallen Adam or in the Savior Christ—determines man's real condition, man's total experience, and man's eternal destiny:

- A. In Adam man is:
 - 1. Constituted sinner—Rom. 5:17a; 3:23; 7:17.
 - 2. Dead (in his spirit) in offenses and sins—1 Cor. 15:22; Eph. 2:1, 5.
 - 3. Conducting himself in the lusts of his flesh—Eph. 2:3.
 - 4. In the authority of darkness (Satan's kingdom)—Col. 1:13; Acts 26:18a.
 - 5. Not able to please God—Rom. 8:8.
 - 6. An enemy of God—Rom. 5:10.
 - 7. Apart from Christ, having no hope and without God—Eph. 2:12.
 - 8. Condemned—Rom. 5:16, 18; John 3:36.
 - 9. Under the wrath of God—Rom. 5:9b; John 3:36.
 - 10. In eternal perdition in the lake of fire—John 3:16b; Rev. 21:8.

B. In Christ man is:

- 1. Constituted righteous—Rom. 5:19b.
- 2. Possessing eternal life (being made alive)—Rom. 5:18b; John 3:16; 1 Cor. 15:22.
- 3. Without condemnation—Rom. 8:1.
- 4. Redeemed, forgiven, justified, and reconciled—Eph. 1:7; Rom. 5:10a; 3:24.
- 5. Able to enter into the kingdom of the Son of His love—Col. 1:13, 14.
- 6. Having Christ as his righteousness, sanctification, and redemption—1 Cor. 1:30.
- 7. Chosen by God and predestinated unto sonship—Eph. 1:4, 5.
- 8. Receiving every spiritual blessing in the heavenlies—Eph. 1:3.
- 9. A new creation—2 Cor. 5:17.
- 10. The Body of Christ—Rom. 12:5a.

III. Man who was born in Adam experiences a divine transfer out of Adam into Christ, having been regenerated through the resurrection of Christ—Col. 1:13; 1 Pet. 1:3; 1 Cor. 1:30a:

- A. Man must believe into Christ—John 3:15:
 - 1. To believe into Christ is to receive Him and be united with Him—John 3:16.
 - 2. To believe into the Lord is to receive eternal life—John 3:36.
- B. Man must be baptized into Christ—Rom. 6:3:
 - 1. Baptism is not a form or a ritual; it signifies our identification with Christ—Gal.3:27, 1 Pet. 3:20- 21.
 - 2. Baptism is to terminate man's old natural life in Adam and to germinate man with a new life—Rom. 6:4.
- C. Through faith and baptism, man enters into a union with Christ to enjoy the bountiful blessing promised in Christ and to walk in the newness of life—Rom. 6:4.

Scripture Reading:

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1 Cor. 15:22 For just as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

1 Cor. 1:30 But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became wisdom to us from God: both righteousness and sanctification and redemption.

Col. 1:13 Who delivered us out of the authority of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love.

John1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the authority to become children of God, to those who believe into His name.

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