

104 – In Christ: Acceptance and Righteousness

I. Use of the phrase _____

- A. appears _____ times in the NT
- B. More than _____ as often as the Scripture refers to Christ being “in us.”

II. “IN”

- A. Denoting of a _____ in place, time, or state.
- B. Mt 2:1
- C. IN Christ” is a position in state.

III. “in Adam”

- A. Death spread to _____ men
- B. Sin _____
- C. Condemnation
- D. Sinners in _____

IV. Regeneration

- A. Definition – the act whereby God _____ life.
- B. Distinction between Conversion and Regeneration
 - 1. *Conversion* –
 - 2. *Regeneration* -
- C. Born again
 - 1. Enter into the kingdom is dependent upon
 - a. John 3.3 – _____
 - b. John 3.5 – _____

2. What happened to me?
 - a. Titus 3.5 – _____
 - b. Scripture with the same use of the word washing:

V. Uses of the phrase “IN Christ”

A. IN Christ

1. Ro 3:24 redemption which is in Christ Jesus,
2. Ro 8:1 no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
3. Ro 8:2 Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free
4. Ro 8:39 the love of God in Christ Jesus
5. Ro 12:5 one body in Christ
6. 1Co 1:2 sanctified in Christ Jesus
7. 1Co 1:30 life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption;
8. 1Co 4:10 wise in Christ
9. 1Co 15:22 in Christ shall all be made alive
10. 2Co 2:14 always leads us in triumph in Christ
11. 2Co 5:17 if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation
12. 2Co 5:19 in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them
13. Ga 2:4 freedom which we have in Christ Jesus,
14. Ga 3:26 for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God,
15. Ga 3:28 for you are all one in Christ Jesus.
16. Eph 1:3 blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places
17. Eph 2:6 made us sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,
18. Eph 2:10 created in Christ Jesus for good works
19. Eph 2:13 in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near in the blood of Christ.
20. Php 2:5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,
21. 1Ti 1:14 and the grace was exceedingly abundant with faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.
22. 2Ti 1:1 life which is in Christ Jesus,

23. 2Ti 1:9 who saved us and called us with a holy calling in Christ Jesus

24. 2Ti 1:13 faith and love which are in Christ Jesus;

25. 2Ti 2:1 grace that is in Christ Jesus,

26. 2Ti 2:10 salvation in Christ Jesus

27. 2Ti 3:15 faith in Christ Jesus

28. Phm 1:6 all the good that is ours in Christ.

B. IN Him

1. 2Co 1:20 For all the promises of God find their Yes in him
2. 2Co 5:21 in him we might become the righteousness of God.
3. Eph 1:4 even as he chose us in him
4. Eph 1:7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses,
5. Eph 1:13 In him were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,
6. Col 2:10 and you are complete in him

C. IN Whom

1. Eph 2:22 in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the
2. Spirit.
3. Eph 3:12 in whom we have boldness and confidence of access through our
4. Faith in him.
5. Col 1:14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.
6. Col 2:3 in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge

D. In the Beloved

1. Eph 1:6 he hath made us accepted in the beloved

E. In Jesus

1. Eph 4:21 the truth is in Jesus

F. In Himself

1. Eph 2:15 that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace,

G. IN The Lord

1. 1Co 7:22 For he who was called in the Lord

2. 1Co 9:1 Are not you my workmanship in the Lord?
3. Eph 2.21 in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord
4. Eph 4.8 for once you were in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord

VI. Acceptance

A. Importance of Acceptance

It has been said that "all our behavior is to either to _____". Acceptance is the opposite of _____ and it is the motivating force behind our actions and reactions.

B. Acceptance Defined

Acceptance - _____

VII. Fleshly Attempts to Gain Acceptance

A. As a descendent of Adam, we have a _____ approach in our search for acceptance.

1. Our _____ acceptance or rejection of us gives us our first and most important focus on our acceptability.
2. Later, our _____ and _____ acceptance or rejection of us increases our _____ focus on ourselves.
3. We soon develop ways to measure our _____

B. Christians often develop a _____ approach for gaining acceptance.

1. Most Christians focus on the same areas to determine their acceptability, but they are disguised in behaviors such as:
2. One of the biggest techniques used to gain acceptance is _____

C. Often our attempts for acceptance result in _____ approaches.

1. Codependency
2. Toxic Relationships

D. The problem with all of these is that the focus is on _____ for acceptance and that of course is _____.

1. Flesh –

2. Often, it is not that I don't love myself enough, it's that _____ which keeps me focused on _____.

VIII. God's Provision For Acceptance

A. We Are Born With An _____ Crisis.

1. There are only two _____ in the world.

a. Children of _____

b. Children of _____

2. We are born as children of _____

3. To be acceptable, a person must have a change in _____.

B. He made us acceptable by making us _____. (Rom. 5:19)

Righteous means:

C. God Made Us Righteous.

1. He crucified our _____ in Adam as a _____. (Rom. 6:6)

2. He _____ us in Christ as a _____ who is righteous. (Eph. 4:24)

3. He _____ us in Christ at His right hand in the heavenlies. (Eph. 2:6)

4. He made us _____ Spirit with Christ so we must be as _____ as Jesus. (I Cor 3:16, 6:17,19)

5. Other supporting Scripture:

D. Deceptions about being righteous.

1. I am _____ by Christ's righteousness.
2. I am _____ in Christ's righteousness.
3. It is _____ to say that I am righteous.

IX. Two Systems For Gaining Acceptance.

A. World System (Law)

1. Based on the _____ by self-effort of certain standards
2. Based on the _____ of my fleshly techniques
3. Focus is always on _____ and what _____ have done and am doing
4. Behavior = _____
5. Produces _____-righteousness

B. God's System (Grace)

1. Based on receiving by _____ what God did to me in Christ
2. Based on being _____ in my spirit
3. Focus is always on _____ and what _____ has done and is doing
4. Being produces _____
5. Produces _____- righteousness

Rom. 3:20-24

X. Practical Applications

A. Our _____ With God

B. Relationships With Others

C. Applications

1. Most people come to LIFE mentoring to deal with _____.
2. A Christian can not be _____.
3. We are free from _____.

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WHO I AM IN CHRIST

1. I am able - Phil. 4:13
2. I am abounding in grace - 2 Cor. 9:8
3. I am abounding in hope - Rom. 15:4, 13
4. I am Abraham's offspring - Gal. 3:29
5. I am abundant - John 10:10
6. I am accepted - Eph.1:6
7. I have access - Eph. 2:18
8. I am adequate - 2 Cor. 3:5
9. I am adopted - Eph. 1:5
10. I am alive - Eph. 2:4-5
11. I am an ambassador for Christ - 2 Cor. 5:20
12. I am anointed - 1 John 2:20
13. I am anxious for nothing - Phil 4:6
14. I am the apple of His eye - Zechariah 2:8
15. I am appointed by God - John 15:16
16. I am the aroma of Christ -.2 Cor. 2:15
17. I am not ashamed – 2 Tim. 1:12
18. I am assured of a reward -1 Cor. 15:58
19. I am assured or success - Proverbs 16:3
20. I have authority over the devil - Luke 9:1
21. I am baptized into Christ - 1 Cor. 12:15
22. I am beautiful - Psalm 149:4
23. I am becoming a mature person - Eph. 4: 13
24. I am becoming conformed to Christ - Rom. 8:29
25. I am a believer - Rom. 10:9
26. I belong to God - John 17:9
27. I am betrothed - Hosea 2:19-20
28. I am blameless - 1 Cor. 1:8
29. I am blessed - Eph. 1:3
30. I am blood bought - I Cor. 6:19-20
31. I am bold - Proverbs 28:1
32. I am a bond-servant - Psalm 116:6
33. I am born of God - 1 John 5:18
34. I am born again - 1 Peter 1:23
35. I am bought with a price - 1 Cor. 6:20
36. I am a branch of the true Vine - John 15:5
37. I am His bride - Isaiah 54:5
38. I am His brother - Hebrews 2:11
39. I am brought near - Eph. 2:1
40. I am built up - 1 Peter 2:5
41. I am buried with Christ - Rom. 6:4
42. I am called - 1 Peter 5:10
43. I am calm - Phil. 4:6
44. I am cared for - I Peter 5:7
45. I am carried - Exodus 19:4
46. I am changed - 1 Sam. 10:6
47. I am a child of God - John 1:11
48. I am cherished - Eph. 5:29
49. I am chosen - 1 Peter 2:9
50. I am circumcised spiritually - Col. 2:11

51. I am a citizen of heaven - Phil. 3:20
52. I am clay in the Potter's hand - Jer. 11:6
53. I am clean - Ez. 36:15; John 15:3
54. I am cleansed - 1 John 1:7, 9
55. I am clothed with Christ - Gal. 3:27
56. I am a co-heir with Christ - Rom. 8:17
57. I am comforted - Jer. 31:13
58. I am complete in Christ - Col. 2:10
59. I am confident - 1 John 4:17
60. I am confident of answers to prayer - 1 John 5:14-15
61. I am confident He will finish me - Phil. 1:6
62. I am confident He will never leave me - Heb. 13:5-6
63. I am a conqueror - Rom. 8:37
64. I am content - Phil. 4:11
65. I am content with weakness - 2 Cor. 12: 10
66. I am continually with God - Ps. 73:23
67. I am controlled by the love of Christ - 2 Cor. 5:14
68. I am courageous - 1 Chron. 28:20
69. I am created in Christ for good works - Eph. 2:10
70. I am created in His image - Gen. 1:27
71. I am crucified with Him - Gal. 2:20
72. I am dead in Christ - Rom. 6:4
73. I am dead to sin - Rom. 6:11
74. I am a delight - Psalm 147:11
75. I am delighted in - Isaiah 42:1
76. I am delivered - Psalm 107:6
77. I am desired - Psalm 45:11
78. I am determined - Phil. 4:13
79. I am a disciple - John 1:31-32
80. I am disciplined - Heb. 12:5-11
81. I am drawing near with confidence - Heb. 4:16
82. I am empowered to obey - Phil. 2:13
83. I am encouraged - 2 Thess. 1:16-17
84. I am enlightened - Eph. 1:18
85. I am enriched in everything - 1 Cor. 1:5
86. I am equipped - 2 Tim. 3:16-17
87. I am established - Deut. 28:9
88. I have eternal life - John 3:36
89. I have every good thing – Phil. 6
90. I am exalted in His right hand - Acts 2:34-35
91. I am faithful - Rev. 17:14
92. I am family - Palm 68:5
93. I am far from oppression - Isaiah 54:14
94. I am favored - Job 10:11
95. I am a fellow citizen with the saints - Eph. 2:19
96. I am a fellow worker - Col. 4:11
97. I am filled - Acts 2:4
98. I am filled to the fullness of God - Col. 2:9-18
99. I am filled with the fruit of righteousness - Phil. 1:11

100. I am filled with the fruit of the Spirit - Gal 5:22-23
101. I am filled with the knowledge of His will - Col. 1:9
102. I am filled with joy - John 11:13
103. I am a finished product in progress – Phil. 1:6
104. I am a first fruit - Romans 1:13
105. I am forgiven - Eph. 1:7
106. I am formed in the womb by God - Jer. 1:5
107. I was lost, but now I'm found - Luke 19:10
108. I am a fragrance - I Cor. 1:15-16
109. I am free - John 8:36
110. I am freely given all things - Rom. 8:32
111. I am gifted - Rom. 12:6
111. I am given His magnificent promises - 1 Peter 1:3-4
113. I am given His Holy Spirit - 1 Cor. 1:11
114. I am glorified with Him - 2 Thess. 2:14
115. I am God's child - John 1:12
116. I am God's gift to Christ - John 17:24
117. I know He is for me - Rom. 8:31
118. I am gracious - Prov. 22:11
119. I am granted grace in Christ Jesus - Rom. 5:17-20
120. I am guarded by God - 2 Tim. 1:12
121. I am guarded by God's peace - Phil. 4:7
122. I am guaranteed - Eph. 1: 13-14
123. I am guided - Psalm 48:14
124. I am guiltless - Rom 8:1
125. I am the head - Dent. 28:13
126. I am healed - 1 Pet. 2:24
127. I am healthy - Deut. 7:15
128. I am an heir of God - Titus 3:7
129. I am helped by Him - Isaiah 44:2
130. I am hidden with Christ in God - Col. 3:3
131. I am His - Isaiah 43:1
132. I am His handiwork - Eph. 2:10
133. I am holy - Eph. 1:4
134. I am honored - 1 Tim. 2:11
135. I am humble - Phil. 2:24
136. I am the image of God - Gen. 1:27
137. I am the image and glory of God - 1 Cor. 11:7
138. I am an imitator of God - Eph. 5:1
139. I am in Christ Jesus - 1 Cor. 1:30
140. I am included - Eph. 1:13
141. I am indestructible - John 6:51
142. I am indwelt by Christ Jesus - John 14:20
143. I am indwelt by His Spirit - Rom. 8:11
144. I am inscribed on His palms - Isaiah 49:16
145. I am covered with the shadow of His hand - Isaiah 51:16
146. I am an instrument of righteousness - Rom. 6:13
147. I am joyful - Phil. 4:4
148. I am justified - Acts 13:39
149. I am kept - Isaiah 36:17

150. I am in a Kingdom of priests - Rev. 1:6
151. I am a King's kid- Psalm 44:4
152. I know all things work together for good - Rom. 8:28
153. I know Whom I believe - 2 Tim. 1:12
154. I am known - 2 Tim. 2:19
155. I lack no wisdom - James 1:5
156. I am lavished with the riches of His grace - Eph. 1:7-8
157. I am led in Christ's triumph - 2 Cor. 2:14
158. I am liberated - Rom. 6:23
159. I have life abundant - I John 4:9; John 10:10
160. I have life and peace in the Spirit - Rom. 8:6
161. I have light - John 8:12
161. I am a light in a dark place - Acts 13:47
163. I have life flowing through me - John 7:38
164. I am like a watered garden - Isaiah 58:11
165. I am a living stone in a spiritual house - 1 Peter 2:5
166. I am the Lord's - Isaiah 44:5
167. I am loved - John 3:16
168. I am loved constantly, unconditionally - Isaiah 43:4
169. I am loyal - Psalm 86:2
170. I am made by Him - Psalm 100:3
171. I am a magnifier of God - Psalm 69:30
172. I am marked - Eph. 1:13
173. I am a member of His body - Eph. 5:30
174. I am mighty in God - Luke 10:19
175. I am the mind of Christ - 1 Cor. 1:16
176. I am a minister - 2 Cor. 3:6
177. I am a minister of reconciliation - 1 Cor. 5:13-19
178. I am a mountain mover - Mark 11:22-23
179. I am named - Isaiah 43:1
180. I am near to God - Eph. 1: 13
181. I am never forsaken - Heb. 13:5
182. I am new - Eph. 4:24
183. I am new born - 1 Pet. 1:1
184. I am a new creation - 2 Cor. 5:17
185. I have a new life - Rom. 6:4
186. I am part of a new race - 1 Pet. 1:9
187. I am not condemned - Rom. 8:1
188. I am no longer a slave to sin - Rom. 5:6
189. I have not been given a spirit of fear - 1 Tim. 1:7
190. I am obedient - Isaiah 1:19
191. I am an object of mercy - Rom. 9:23
192. I have obtained an inheritance - Eph. 1:11
193. I am of God's household - Eph. 2:19
194. I am on the winning side - Col. 1: 15
195. I am one with Him - John 17:23-24
196. I am an over comer - 1 John 5:4-5
197. I am pardoned - Jeremiah 33:8
198. I am a partaker of Christ - Heb. 3:14
199. I am a partaker of the Holy Spirit - Heb. 6:4

200. I am a partaker of grace - Phil. 1:7
201. I am a partaker of the promise of Christ - Eph. 3:6
202. I have passed from death to life - John 5:24
203. I am patient - James 5:8
204. I have peace – Phil. 4:7
205. I am one of the people of God - 1 Peter 1:9
206. I am being perfected - 1 Peter 5:10
207. I am pleasing to God - Psalm 149:4
208. I am God's own possession - Titus 1:14
209. I am a possessor of all things - 1 Cor. 3:21-23
210. I have the power of God behind me - Phil. 3:21
211. I have power - Acts 1:8
212. I have power over the devil - Luke 9:1
213. I am predestined - Eph. 1:11
214. I am prepared beforehand for glory - Rom. 9:23
215. I am prosperous - Psalm 1:3
216. I am protected - Psalm 91:14
217. I am provided for - Matthew 6:33
218. I am purchased - Rev. 5:9
219. I am purposeful - Psalm 138:8
220. I am qualified - Col. 1:12
221. I am raised up with Christ - Eph. 2:6
222. I am ransomed with Him - Isaiah 35:10
223. I am rare - Proverbs 20:15
224. I have received mercy - 1 Peter 1:10
125. I have received an unshakable kingdom - Heb. 12:28
226. I am reconciled to God - Rom. 5: 10
227. I am redeemed - Gal. 3:13
228. I am refined - Isaiah 48:10
229. I am reigning with Him - Rom. 5: 17
230. I am rejoicing - Rom. 5:1-3
231. I am renewed - 1 Cor. 4:16
231. I am His representative - Matthew 5:16
233. I am rescued – Col. 1:13
234. I have rest provided - Matt. 11:28-30
235. I am rewarded by God - Isaiah 49:4
236. I am rich - 2 Cor. 8:9
237. I am righteous - Eph. 4:22
238. I am rooted and built up with Him – Col. 1:7
239. I am royalty - Rom. 5:17; 8:1~17
240. I am a royal priesthood - 1 Peter 2:9
241. I am safe - Psalm 4:8
242. I am a saint of God - Psalm 34:9
243. I am the salt of the earth - Matt. 5: 13
244. I am sanctified - 1 Cor. 6:11
245. I am satisfied - Jeremiah 31:14
246. I am saved - Eph. 2:8
247. I am sealed by God with His Holy Spirit - Eph. 1:13
248. I am seated with Him - Eph. 2:6
249. I am secure - Deuteronomy 33:12

250. I am sent - John 20:21
251. I am set free - John 8:31-32, 36
252. I am sharing Christ's Inheritance - Rom. 8:17
253. I am sharing His glory - John 17:22, 24
254. I am His sheep - Psalm 23:1
255. I am sheltered - Psalm 91:1
256. I am shielded - Psalm 91:4
257. I am a slave to righteousness - Rom. 6:18
258. I am His soldier - 1 Tim. 2:34
259. I am a son of God - Rom. 8:14
260. I am stable - Isaiah 33:6
261. I am standing in His grace - Rom. 5:1
262. I am standing firm in Christ - 2 Cor. 1:21
263. I have my steps established by the Lord - Psalm 37:13
264. I am strengthened in Him - Eph. 3:16
265. I am strong in the Lord - 1 Cor. 1:8
266. I am amply supplied - Phil. 4:18
267. I am sustained from birth - Psalm 71:6
268. I am a temple - 1 Cor. 3:16
269. I am thought about - Psalm 139:17,18
270. I am transferred into His kingdom - Col.:13
271. I am transformed - 2 Cor. 3:18
272. I am treasured - Psalm 83:3
273. I am triumphant - 2 Cor. 2:14
274. I am unafraid - Isaiah 44:2; 51:12
275. I am understood - Eph. 1:8
276. I am united with Christ - Romans 6:5
277. I am upheld - Psalm 37:17
278. I am upright - Psalm 7:10
279. I am unblemished - Col. 1:22
280. I have understanding - 2 Tim. 2:7
281. I am useful for His glory - Isaiah 43:7
282. I am valuable - Luke 12:24
283. I live in victory - 1 Cor. 15:57
284. I am walking in His light - 1 John 1:7
285. I am a warrior - 2 Cor. 10:4
286. I am washed - Titus 3:5
287. I am watching for His return - Luke 12:37
288. I am weak, then I am strong - 2 Cor. 12:10
289. I am in a wealthy place - Psalm 66:12
290. I am welcome - Luke 11:9
291. I am being made whole - Mark 5:34
292. I put on the whole armor of God - Eph. 6:11
293. I am wise - Proverbs 2:6
294. I am His witness - Acts 1:8
295. I am His workmanship - Eph. 2:10
296. I am not of this world - John 17:14
297. I am His worshipper - Psalm 95:6
298. I am worthy - Revelation 3:4
299. I am yielded to God - Rom. 6:13
300. I am yoked with Jesus - Matthew 11:19