

FAITH LIFE

Living from the Treasure

Within

Part 2

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Every born again believer has within them a marvellous treasure chamber that has been intricately fashioned by God's own hands. It is magnificently glorious and built to last for eternity. This treasure chamber holds within it an immeasurable supply of spiritual riches and wealth that can never be exhausted or completely discovered! 2 Corinthians 4:7, says "But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."

This verse clearly explains that this treasure is not something we are trying to obtain; it is something we already possess!

In fact, the first thing Paul does in this verse is tell us where this treasure is buried. Notice that Paul says, "But we have...." The words "we have" in Greek is echomen, which is taken from the Greek word echo. The word echo means to have, to hold, to possess, or to keep. It is the picture of someone who "has" something in his possession because it belongs to him. It is rightfully his, and he has the right to keep it. (Sparkling Gems)

So, this scripture gives the idea that, "We possess treasure within ourselves! And not only do we possess treasure, but our easily broken, inferior, temporary bodies are themselves the treasure chambers where this astonishing cache is kept."

And this magnificent treasure is God's powerful gift of the Holy Spirit Himself, dwelling inside of us!

1 Corinthians 6:17 says, "But the person who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with Him." At the point of our salvation, the Spirit of God comes into our spirits that were dead to sin, and recreates them to be new and alive in Christ Jesus!

2 Corinthians 5:17 says, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

Throughout the New Testament we are taught that believers who have surrendered their lives to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, are 'in the Lord', or 'in Christ'. This speaks of our position in Christ, since His Spirit has in-dwelt ours. With the Holy Spirit living inside of us, we have an endless supply of His power and strength to draw from for victory in every circumstance or challenge. Ephesians 6:10, says, "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might." The phrase 'in the Lord' is a Greek phrase that means that this special infusion of dynamic, supernatural power can be found in only one place, in the Lord. In truth, this power is locked up in the Person of Jesus Christ and it can't be found anywhere else.

Paul is saying we have actually been placed inside Jesus Christ; He has become our realm of existence and the place of our habitation. We are infinitely locked up inside the person of Christ! You permanently reside inside the Son of God! He is your permanent home—a home from which you will never move because you are locked up and securely placed inside Him perpetually!

This now leads us to the reason why the supernatural power of God we desperately need, is so easy to receive! The reason God's power is so accessible to us, is that both we and this divine power are gloriously locked up inside the same place! The power is located inside the Lord, and we are also located inside the Lord. We must open our hearts to it and ask God to release it into our lives. Then, by faith we must reach out to embrace it.

The more we meditate on the truth that God lives on the inside of us, we become constantly aware of His presence and power that is readily available to us, by faith. Every morning, rise up knowing that the God of the universe is giving you life and peace and victory for this day, from within you, not from a distance! Throughout the day, remind yourself that you are not alone, but the all-powerful, mighty Spirit of God, is alive inside you, ready and willing to meet your every need, and supply all the wisdom and power you need to overcome. And when you go to bed at night, let there be peace and joy in knowing you are sleeping in the very presence of Almighty God, and are being refreshed and restored by His mighty power that is at work, within you! Being constantly aware of His presence inside of us, keeps our faith alive and causes us to live in the reality of what God's word says we are - alive in Christ! Become more aware of the God that lives inside of you, than the trouble that lurks around you - your life and victory is secure in Christ Jesus, Who dwells in you!

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