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3. *I am free from the Law.*
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1. I am regenerated, born again, by the resurrection life and power of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:17-18 ESV

17 **Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation (*ktisis* - the act of creating, building, founding, establishing). The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.**

18 **All this is from God...**

By faith, we vicariously receive all that was accomplished in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, just as if we personally experienced His death and resurrection. Jesus accomplished for us what we could never do for ourselves.

Romans 6:4-10 ESV

4 **We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.**

5 **For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.**

6 **We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.**

7 **For one who has died has been set free from sin.**

8 **Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.**

9 **We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.**

10 **For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.**

Galatians 2:20 ESV

20 **I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.**

2. I live and walk free from sin by the Spirit and power of God.

Romans 8:11 ESV

11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Romans 6:11-13 ESV

11 So you also must consider (*logizomai - to count, compute, calculate, count over, weigh the reasons, deliberate*) yourself dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions.

- *We don't have the ability to stop the sin in our flesh, but we do have the choice.*
- *Our choice by faith activates the life, power and grace of God to fulfill God's promise.*

13 Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.

Galatians 5:16-17 ESV

16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

17 For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.

Galatians 5:25 ESV

25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step (*stoicheō - to proceed in a row as the march of a soldier, direct one's life*) with the Spirit.

3. I am free from the Law.

Galatians 5:18 ESV

18 But if you are led (*ago - to lead by laying hold of, move, impel, carry*) by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

Galatians 4:1-7 ESV

1 I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything,

2 but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father.

3 In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles (*stoicheion - any first thing, the first principle, rudimentary*) of the world.

4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law,

5 to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

- *We no longer live by the external restraints of rules. We live by the internal motivation of a new heart, a new spirit, a new life.*
- *We no longer live by self-discipline. We live by abiding in relationship.*

Romans 8:3-5 ESV

3 For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,

4 in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

Hebrews 8:8-11 ESV

8 For he finds fault with them when he says: "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah,

9 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. For they did not continue in my covenant, and so I showed no concern for them, declares the Lord.

10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

11 And they shall not teach, each one his neighbor and each one his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest.

4. **I have the hope and the promise of eternal life and bodily resurrection.**

1 Peter 1:3-5 ESV

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

4 to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

5 who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.