

The Christian and the World

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OUR RELATIONSHIP TO THE WORLD IN CHRIST

Our supernatural transfer from one spiritual kingdom to another cannot be tangibly discerned with human senses. It is a spiritual transfer of citizenship, parentage and ownership and God has provided all the divine power needed for us to experience and walk in the fullness of that transfer.

DEAD TO THIS WORLD SYSTEM

Galatians 1:3–4

3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,

4 who gave himself for our sins **TO DELIVER US FROM** (*exaireo* - completely out from, to personally choose, out from and to, intentionally pick out and then move to) **THE PRESENT EVIL AGE**, according to the will of our God and Father.

Galatians 6:14

"But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, **by which the WORLD HAS BEEN CRUCIFIED to me, and I to the world.**"

SUPERNATURAL TRANSFER TO DIVINE CITIZENSHIP, PARENTAGE AND OWNERSHIP

Colossians 1:13

"**He has DELIVERED** (*rhuomai* - to draw to oneself, to rescue) **us from the domain of darkness** and **TRANSFERRED** (*methistemi* - to move from one place or sphere to another) **us to the kingdom of his beloved Son.**"

Ephesians 2:1-10

1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins

2 **in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air**, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—

3 **among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.**

4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us,

5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, **made us alive together with Christ**—by grace you have been saved—

6 and **RAISED US UP WITH HIM** and **SEATED US WITH HIM IN THE HEAVENLY PLACES** in Christ Jesus,

7 so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,
9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

A SPIRITUAL TRANSFER, NOT IN THE FLESH, BUT IN THE HEART

2 Peter 1:2–4

2 May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

3 **HIS DIVINE POWER HAS GRANTED TO US ALL THINGS THAT PERTAIN TO LIFE AND GODLINESS, through the knowledge of him** who called us to his own glory and excellence,

4 by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become PARTAKERS OF THE DIVINE NATURE, having ESCAPED (*apopheugo - to successfully flee away from, separation, a full breaking away from the previous situation*) **FROM THE CORRUPTION that is IN THE WORLD** because of **SINFUL DESIRE**.

NEVER AFRAID OF THE WORLD, BUT FULLY AWARE OF THE EVIL AND THE DANGER

Romans 8:11

"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."

1 John 4:4

"Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for **he who is in you is GREATER THAN he who is in the world.**"

Hebrews 6:4-6

4 For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, **who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit,**

5 and have **tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come,**

6 and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt.

JESUS' PRAYER OF SANCTIFICATION FOR US [separate - guarded - sent]

John 17:1–26

1 When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you,

2 since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.

3 And **THIS IS ETERNAL** (*166 aiōnios the unique quality [reality] of God's life working in the believer, manifesting His self-existent life as it is in His sinless abode of heaven*) **LIFE, that they KNOW** (*ginosko - to know through personal experience*) **YOU** the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

4 I **glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do.**

5 And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

6 I have **manifested your name to the people whom you gave me OUT** (*Gk. "ek" - from, out from within, from out of, 2-layered meaning "out from" and "to"*) **OF the world.** Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.

7 Now they know that **everything that you have given me is from you.**

8 For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.

9 I am praying for them. **I am NOT PRAYING FOR THE WORLD but for those whom you have given me, for THEY ARE YOURS.**

10 All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them.

11 **And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep** (*tereo - guard, watch over, keep in custody, emphasizes the outcome "to the very end", keep in a certain state, condition or activity, successfully presenting at the end that which was guarded*) **them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.**

12 **While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded** (*keeping watch to keep secure, military guard, unbroken vigilance*) **them, and not one of them has been lost** except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

13 But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

14 **I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.**

15 **I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep** (*tereo - guard, watch over, keep in custody, emphasizes the outcome "to the very end", keep in a certain state, condition or activity, successfully presenting at the end that which was guarded*) **them from the evil one.**

16 **They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.**

17 **Sanctify** (*hagiazō - to dedicate, separate, set-apart, to separate from things profane and dedicate to God, make holy, purify, cleanse, consecrate, sanctify*) **them in the truth; your word is truth.**

18 **As you sent me into the world, so I have sent** (*apostéllō from 575/apó, "away from" and 4724/stéllō, "send" – properly, send away, i.e. to commission; "be sent on a defined mission by a superior."*) **them into the world.**

19 **And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.**

20 "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word,

21 that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

22 **The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one,**

23 **I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.**

24 Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

25 O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me.

26 I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”