

The Challenge To Live Beyond Ordinary
The Gift Of Eternal Life
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Key Verse of the Series

The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life. John 10:10 NLT

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My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one can snatch them away from me... John 10:27-28 NLT

Don't Miss This!

Jesus is directly connecting a rich and satisfying life with **ETERNAL LIFE**.

"Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life." Matthew 25:46 NIV

"There is no one righteous, not even one... there is no one who does good, not even one." Romans 3:10a, 11b NIV

This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions. Colossians 1:21 NLT

For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Romans 3:23 NLT

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 2 Corinthians 5:21 NIV

Three Important Truths From 2 Corinthians 5:21

1. Jesus lived his life without ever **SINNING**.

God made him who had no sin...

2. Jesus was able to claim the sins committed by people and credit them to himself, because he was able to be a sinless **SACRIFICE**.

...to be sin for us...

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23 NIV

3. Since Jesus paid the **WAGE** for our sins, his righteous life is **APPLIED** to our life.

... so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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Grab This!

The reconciliation to God that people experience in Jesus' sacrificial death and righteous life is called **ATONEMENT**.

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If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10:9 NIV

Jesus' Gift Of Eternal Life...

- Moves us from **DEATH** to **LIFE**.

I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. John 10:28 NLT

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. Ephesians 2:4-5 NIV

Jesus' Gift Of Eternal Life...

- Moves us from **ENEMY** to **RECONCILED!**

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation. Colossians 1:21-22 NIV

Jesus' Gift Of Eternal Life...

- Moves us from being a **PRISONER** of sin to **FREEDOM** in Christ.

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." Luke 4:18-19 NIV

But the Scriptures declare that we are all prisoners of sin, so we receive God's promise of freedom only by believing in Jesus Christ. Galatians 3:22 NLT

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. — My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life. John 10:27, 10 NLT

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10:9 NIV

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9 NIV