

## Day 9 of 10 Days of Prayer

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Deliver the church from the curse of sin-consciousness!

Romans 6:10-11 *“For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Likewise you also, **reckon yourselves** to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

Mankind had a birth problem... God had a new birth solution!!!

John 3:7 *“So don’t be surprised when I say, ‘You must be born again.’ (NLT)*

*“Marvel not [do not be surprised, astonished] at My telling you, You must all be born anew (from above).” (AMP)*

John 1:13 (AMP) *“Who owe their birth neither to bloods nor to the will of the flesh [that of physical impulse] nor to the will of man [that of a natural father], but to God. [They are born of God!]”*

Righteous by birth not by behaviour... 2 Corinthians 5:21 *“For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.”*

Romans 6:17-18 *“Thank God! Once you were slaves of sin, but now you wholeheartedly obey this teaching we have given you. Now you are free from your slavery to sin, and you have become slaves to righteous living.”*

Wow! Another day compelled and driven to manifest righteousness. I can’t help myself I am a slave to righteous living. Righteousness here. Righteous there. Righteous everywhere because I have been completely Identified with the death, burial and resurrection of Christ!

“Do you know why so many believers have no peace in their relationship with God? They would tell you it is because God is angry with them and their sin, but the real reason is they are ignorant of him and his righteousness. In the kingdom, peace always follows righteousness. If you are more conscious of your sin than his righteousness, you will never enjoy peace with God.

The church has an unhealthy obsession with sin. We spend our lives watching out for sin, resisting sin, fighting sin, hiding sin, running from sin, owning up to sin, talking about sin, turning from sin, and hopefully, overcoming sin. With so much emphasis on sin, guilt, and shame, is it any wonder so many of us don’t feel righteous? We need the ministry of the Holy Spirit now more than ever.”

Paul Ellis (The Gospel in Ten Words, KingsPress, 2012, 95-6.)

Hebrews 9:26b-28 *“...but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.”*

**He’s not going to judge sin the second time because he judged sin the first time!**

“If you are more conscious of your sin than His righteousness, you will never enjoy peace with God.”

### Prayer Directives:

Pray that the revelation of the church would embrace as the Apostle Paul said; “the teaching we have given you.”

**Acts 20:24** *“But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.”*  
**Galatians 1:6** *“I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel,”*

Pray that the revelation of being “In Christ” would be fully manifest in the church. We are partaker of Divine Nature!!!

**2 Peter 1:2-4** *“Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.”*

Pray that church would get the revelation that they have been Justified and glorified!!!

**Romans 8:30** *“Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.”*

**Glorified** (dox-ad'-zo):—to make glorious, adorn with lustre, clothe with splendour, to impart glory to something, render it excellent

**If you want to see His glory ... look at Justified and Glorified person in the mirror!**