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Daily life can present challenges that even Christian believers can tend to view as a complicated maze. Like the jigsaw puzzle that's complete except for that one piece, we may feel as if we get close to a solution but just don't have what it takes to figure it all out—at home, at work, or at school. We may even look within ourselves and feel as if we're lacking what we need to come to the right solution. We may think we don't have the resources and that's why we're not up to the task. And then we remember to bring our thoughts back to God's Word and put our feelings aside. We change our limited perspective and lock into this lever of power we have in the new birth: it is "Christ in you."

Colossians 1:27:

To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Once we're born again of God's spirit, each one of us can confess, "It's Christ in me!" and bring God's power into reality. God was in Christ and Christ is in us. Manifesting that Christ in us is the key to finding that missing "piece of the puzzle" in any situation we're tackling, for we now have a resource that the body and soul man lacks. We have the gift of holy spirit, which completes us and gives us access to God's spiritual power.

We receive our completeness, our "Christ in me," by confessing and believing these truths:

Romans 10:9,10:

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved [made whole].

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation [wholeness].

We are no longer just body and soul, for we have received God's gift of holy spirit, which makes us whole. We are now complete.

Colossians 2:9,10:

For in him [Christ] dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him....

This completeness is so complete that verse 10 in Aramaic has the emphasis that "we are completely, completely, absolutely complete in him." We lack nothing! We can now confess, "I'm complete in Christ!" As we change our perspective and confession from lack to abundance, from defeat to victory, we begin to tap into the power we have.

Colossians 2:10:

And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power.

We are completely complete in Christ, who is head over all principalities and powers. And if Christ is the head and we have Christ in us, then that puts Satan under our feet. God in Christ in us gives us power to arrive at godly solutions to life's challenges because we are far above all principalities and powers. In fact, from a spiritual perspective, God has raised us up with Christ and seated us in the heavenlies.

Ephesians 2:6:

And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

When we change our thinking to this elevated, heavenly perspective, we need not be frustrated. As Christian believers, we are seated in the heavenlies, looking down on the things of the world from our spiritual vantage point. We know that we are not lacking anything that we need to be victorious each day in life's demanding situations, for God has made us complete. And is it any wonder that the God Who has seated us in the heavenlies tells us that He is also working within us?

Philippians 2:13:

For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

The God Who is the Creator of the heavens and earth "worketh in you both to will and to do of *his* good pleasure." And He not only works in us, Philippians 2:13 tells us that it is a pleasure for Him to do so! That's living from a perspective of power and completeness. What a resource for answers! With a knowledge of these truths, we find that our expectations for getting solutions to life's problems are elevated.

Understanding and claiming what God's Word says we have in Christ is necessary to helping us tap into that power. The Church Epistles were written to us so we can believe and receive the results of those truths. It's here in these Epistles we learn about the gift of holy spirit that has made us complete in Christ. For example, we learn in I Corinthians 12 that there are nine different ways every born-again believer can manifest this gift of holy spirit.

I Corinthians 12:7-11:

But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally [his own] as he [the man] will.

The operation of the gift of holy spirit in us is the key to unleashing our potential power and demonstrating our completeness in Christ.

Colossians 2:6:

As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him.

When we walk with the perspective of "Christ in me," instead of being dismayed by circumstances, we bring our minds back to the truth of God's Word. Then, instead of looking at situations from a senses standpoint, we tap into God's power from our Christ-inme heavenly perspective, knowing God is working in us and He has given us a means to manifest His power every day.

Often all it takes to make headway in solving the puzzles of life is changing our perspective. When we lock into the truth that "it is Christ in me" and that we're seated in the heavenlies with Satan under our feet, we get convinced that we're not lacking anything. We recognize that we have all the resources we need to victoriously and confidently handle each day's challenges, finding each piece of the puzzle that we need. Let's see solutions of victory come to pass as we live each day from our powerful perspective of "It is Christ in me"!

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