

# NEW LIFE IN JESUS IS SPECIAL

## How Special is New Life in Jesus?

### ALL KINDS OF “NEW LIFE”

- The new life in Jesus
- Cosmic
- Connected
- Timeless
- Access
- Targeted
- Metamorphed
- Freed

### GOT NO STRINGS ON ME

- Pinocchio
- For when we died with Christ we were set free...  
Romans 6:7 (NLT)
- ...now God’s wonderful grace rules instead, giving us right standing with God and resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Romans 5:21 (NLT)

### DEALING WITH OUR FREEDOM BEFORE GOD

- <sup>1</sup> Well then, should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace?
- <sup>2</sup> Of course not! Since we have died to sin, how can we continue to live in it?  
Romans 6:1-2 (NLT)

## DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM OF LIVING THE OLD WAY

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<sup>4</sup> For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may **live new lives**.

Romans 6:3-4 (NLT)

## GOT WETTER AND GOT BETTER

Children receive pilot's wings for flying... Are they really pilots?

People get watered down in baptism... Are they really different and ready to live new lives?

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## “GLORIOUS POWER OF THE FATHER”

- How effective is this, really?
- Dead human body that has been drained of blood, shredded and bruised and left in a tomb comes back to life, restored, refreshed, renewed, resurrected by the glorious power of the Father.
- By baptism, Christ's people by the glorious power of the Father, are given new lives. Isn't that monumental? Staggering?
- So, how is the glorious power of the Father revealing itself in God's people...in you?
- Problem?

## POWER LINES ARE DOWN

### DISCIPLES' DEMENTIA

Have you **forgotten** that when we were joined with Christ Jesus in baptism... Romans 6:3

### NEGLECTED KNOWLEDGE

We **know** that our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin. Romans 6:6

### DANGEROUS DEFECTION

Do not **let** any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Romans 6:13 (NLT)

## POWERING UP

### DIE AND RELY ON THE FATHER

For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives. Romans 6:4 (NLT)

### THINK VICTORY IN JESUS NOT VICTIM OF SIN

So you also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus. Romans 6:11 (NLT)

### FOCUS PHYSICAL FORCES ON GOD

Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God. Romans 6:13 (NLT)

## NEW LIFE IN FREEDOM

Sin is no longer your master, for you no longer live under the requirements of the law. Instead, you live under the freedom of God's grace.  
Romans 6:14 (NLT)

## THERE IS GOOD NEWS

- God's power is not a joke
- New life in Jesus is not pretend
- Freedom is not an invitation to rebellion
- May you find help in overcoming the tendency to sin by the power of God because of God's grace and what Jesus has done