



“Therefore if any person is [ingrafted] in Christ (the Messiah) he is a new creation (a new creature altogether); the old [previous moral and spiritual condition] has passed away. Behold, the fresh and new has come! But all things are from God, Who through Jesus Christ reconciled us to Himself [received us into favor, brought us into harmony with Himself] and gave to us the ministry of reconciliation [that by word and deed we might aim to bring others into harmony with Him]. It was God [personally present] in Christ, reconciling and restoring the world to favor with Himself, not counting up and holding against [men] their trespasses [but cancelling them], and committing to us the message of reconciliation (of the restoration to favor). So we are Christ’s ambassadors, God making His appeal as it were through us. We [as Christ’s personal representatives] beg you for His sake to lay hold of the divine favor [now offered you] and be reconciled to God. For our sake He made Christ [virtually] to be sin Who knew no sin, so that in and through Him we might become [endued with, viewed as being in, and examples of] the righteousness of God [what we ought to be, approved and acceptable and in right relationship with Him, by His goodness].” II Corinthians 5:17-21 (AMPC)

God designed His universe to operate by laws that are perfect and never fail.

When you and I live our lives by Kingdom laws, a realm of divine life opens up to us containing boundless possibilities and limitless power.

There He makes available to us untold resources that equip us to manifest His power and authority over all of Satan’s power.

The purpose of His written Word is to move us into a realm of faith where our daily walk is filled with a manifestation of His life and power.

The law of righteousness is given to qualify us for our position in His Kingdom.

His laws function in His Kingdom which is called “the secret place.”

Psalms 25:14 (AMPC) – “The secret [of the sweet, satisfying companionship] of the Lord have they who fear (revere and worship) Him, and He will show them His covenant and reveal to them its [deep, inner] meaning.”

Here our lives are hidden with Christ in God, and we dwell in the secret place of the Most High and abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

Righteousness is what God is and what He requires, what Jesus became, what the Holy Spirit convicts of and what faith secures.

Kingdom suggests dominion, authority, power which rest upon the nature of God Himself.

The more of His divine nature within us, the more divine power is manifested through us. More of Jesus, more of His nature, His likeness, His presence, the more we bare His image.

“Righteousness” is a moral standard, a conforming to the holiness of God.

“Righteousness” is a weapon—offensive and defensive.

II Corinthians 6:7 (TPT) – “We commend ourselves to you by our truthful teachings, by the power of God working through us, and with the mighty weapons of righteousness—a sword in one hand and a shield in the other.”

As a defensive weapon, it protects us from the blows of the enemy against our mind.

As an offensive weapon, it assists us as we assault the kingdom of darkness with His light.

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His goal is to wound your emotions and immobilize your efforts for God's Kingdom sake.

He constantly reminds us of our sins, failures, weaknesses, shortcomings, telling us we are flawed, impure vessels.

Often believers walk in guilt and condemnation because of these lies from hell.

Satan has victimized many to the point they can no longer pray with confidence. They are convinced of never being good enough to be used by God.

Listen to God's Word to us as His children – *II Corinthians 5:21 (TPT)* – “For God made the only one who did not know sin to become sin for us, so that we who did not know righteousness might become the righteousness of God through our union with Him.”

By our acceptance of Jesus Christ, God has freely imparted righteousness to us. This affects our attitude about life in a very positive way.

This attitude of righteousness imparts boldness and confidence along with great authority as we stand against the enemy's attacks against our lives.

You develop a righteous consciousness.

Romans 5:17 (TPT) – “Death once held us in its grip, and by the blunder of one man, death reigned as king over humanity. But now, how much more are we held in the grip of grace and continue reigning as kings in life, enjoying our regal freedom through the gift of perfect righteousness in the one and only Jesus, the Messiah!”

When you realize the truth that you as a believer have become the righteousness of God in Christ, you will be dramatically transformed into a bold, confident, powerful disciple of Jesus.

No longer will “diabolos” be able to diminish your value to God and His Kingdom work.

Suddenly you will pray with confidence.

I John 5:14-15 (TPT) – “Since we have this confidence, we can also have great boldness before Him, for if we present any request agreeable to His will, He will hear us. And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we also know that we have obtained the requests we ask of Him.”

Discussion Questions:

- When we live by Kingdom laws, a realm of divine life opens up to us containing boundless possibilities and limitless _____.
- The Law of Righteousness is given to qualify us for our _____ in His Kingdom.
- Righteousness is what God is and what He requires, what Jesus became, what the Holy Spirit convinces of and what _____ secures.
- Righteousness is a moral _____, a conforming to the Holiness of God.
- Righteousness is a _____ - offensive and defensive.
- The word “devil” comes from a Greek word, “diabolos,” and describes one who strikes again and again until finally he penetrates the mind with slanderous _____.
- The attitude of righteousness imparts boldness and confidence along with great authority as we stand against the enemy's _____ against our lives.
- You develop a righteous _____.