

Living a New Life

UNSHAKEN: Living Like A Colossian - Part 4

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¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,
²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether
things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his
blood, shed on the cross. ²¹ Once you were alienated from God
and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.
²² 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 1:19-22 (NIV)

 11 ...Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, 12 having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

Colossians 2:11b-12 (NIV)

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV)

The Gospel offers me NEW LIFE!

How do I experience this "New Life"?

1. I accept Jesus' offer of life.

³⁷ When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸ Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:37-38 (NIV)

2. I exercise the power available to me.

¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ... Ephesians 1:18-20 (NIV)

⁴ It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, who have shared in the Holy Spirit, ⁵ who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the coming age ⁶ and who have fallen away, to be brought back to repentance.

Hebrew 6:4-6 (NIV)

3. I connect with others living this new life.

⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2:44-47 (NIV)

4. I share this opportunity with others.

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:17-19 (NIV)