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**Confession:** *This is my Bible, the Living Word of God. I am, what the Word says I am. I have, what the Word says I have. I can do, everything the Word says I can do, and I will do it, in Jesus Name!*

**Text: Colossians 3:1-4** If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4When Christ *who is* our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

1. **Our Position and Possession in Christ**
2. **Ephesians 1:3-12** Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every **spiritual** blessing in the heavenly *places* **in Christ**, **4**just as He chose us **in Him** before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, **5**having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, **6**to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. **7In Him** we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace **8**which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, **9**having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, **10**that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things **in Christ**, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—**in Him**. **11In Him** also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, **12**that we who first trusted **in Christ** should be to the praise of His glory.
3. **spiritual: pneumatikos** (pnyoo-mat-ik-os') spiritual, relating to the realm of spirit, supernatural, (an adjective, derived from pneúma, "spirit")
4. Before the heavens and earth, He declared the Blessing over us who are IN Christ Jesus. We are eternally Blessed because we are IN Christ.
5. Everything we see in this natural world originated in the spirit. (Hebrews 11:1-3 AMPC)
6. “Heavenly places in Christ” refers to our eternal position and our possession, seated at the right hand of Father, IN Christ.
7. We live our lives out of our recreated spirit who is made in the image and likeness of God sharing IN the Life of Christ!
8. We have Eternal Life now that we are IN Him!
9. Our new Life is Him is to be one of a continual awakening unto our new life and identity by living in constant awareness of every IN Christ reality.
10. We must continually renew our minds. (Ephesians 4:23, Romans 12:1-2)
11. We have an inheritance and it the fullness of Christ Himself and we are joint-heirs with Him, as the sons of God.
12. **Romans 8:16-17** The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs **with Christ**…
13. Jesus Christ on the Cross bore our death, guilt, shame, condemnation, and sin. When God raised Him from the dead, He became our righteousness, victory, and Blessing.
14. We NOW have equal possession WITH Christ because of our equal position IN Christ.
15. This means that being IN Christ not only transforms us inwardly but also grants us the authority and inheritance of His fullness.
16. If the enemy can dislocate us out of our position by keeping us in the dark or distracting us then he can keep us from experiencing what we rightfully possess, IN Christ.
17. We start at the end, the place of total victory. We are not trying to attain to something or trying to get God to do something more for us. We are simply awakening to the fact that IN Him we already possess all things.
18. By continually confessing our new identity “IN Christ” reality, we can stay in our position, enjoy the fullness of our possession, and open wide the door for us to reign in life as a king, through Jesus Christ!
19. IN Christ we now live from the top down and not the bottom up!
20. We live from a place of Victory IN Him, seated in heavenly places, and keep going from victory to victory.
21. IN Christ we now live from the top down and not the bottom up!
22. Ask Holy Spirit in prayer what aspect of Christ’s inheritance you are not yet walking in—peace, boldness, wisdom, provision—and then step out in faith to receive and walk in it, in Jesus Name!
23. **Hebrews 4:14-16 AMPC** Inasmuch then as we have a great High Priest Who has [already] ascended *and* passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession [of faith in Him]. 15For we do not have a High Priest Who is unable to understand *and* sympathize *and* have a shared feeling with our weaknesses *and* infirmities *and* liability to the assaults of temptation, but One Who has been tempted in every respect as we are, yet without sinning. 16Let us then fearlessly *and* confidently *and* boldly draw near to the throne of grace (the throne of God’s unmerited favor to us sinners), that we may receive mercy [for our failures] and find grace to help in good time for every need [appropriate help and well-timed help, coming just when we need it].