

In Christ: In the Arena of Living Oneness

To Be "in Christ" Is to Experience a Realm Transfer, a RE-location

- We are placed in the arena of living oneness with God (and each other)
 - ... "in Christ": our being-ness; who we are/what we have
 - ... "in the Lord": our behavior; what we do because of who we are/what we have
- It is never a union between equals

KEY THOUGHT #1: "In Christ" All Distance Disappears (no more separation) - Jo 17:24; 14:3

- The starting point for all things Christian - Jo 3:16
 - ...we were "excluded from the Life of God" - Eph 4:18

Outside of Christ

- ungodly - Ro 4:5
- sinner - Ro 5:8
- hostile - Ro 5:10
- excluded - Eph 4:18
- child of wrath - Eph 2:3
- condemned - Ro 5:16,18
- dead in sins - Eph 2/Ro 6
- strangers - Eph 2:19
- darkness - Eph 5:8

In Christ

- Godly - II Pet 1:3,4
- righteous - II Cor 5:21; Phil 3:9-10
- at peace with God - Ro 5:1
- included - Ro 15:7
- children of God - I Jo 3:1-2
- justified - Ro 3:24; 5:18
- alive in Christ - Eph 2:5
- family - Eph 2:19
- light - Eph 5:8

- We become what we receive
 - ...it is all of grace - Eph 2:7
- The Locative Nature/Power of "in Christ"
 - ... "in Christ" we have a REAL estate! - Ro 5:12-21; I Cor 15:22-49
 - ...the "Adam" life is never saved - it is crucified
 - ...we are re-located "in Christ" - Num 18:20; I Pet 2:9
 - = "my portion, the Lord" - Ps 142:5; 119:57
 - ...we stay at home as we abide in Christ - Jo 15:1-5