



#### IV. THE RESULTS OF SALVATION

##### A. Our Acceptance (1 Corinthians 6:11)

1. We are washed—*our cleansing*.
  - a. An explanation—This is one aspect of our salvation and is identified as “the washing of regeneration” (Titus 3:5).
  - b. The agent—We are washed from our sins in Christ’s blood (Revelation 1:5).
2. We are sanctified—*our acceptance*.
  - a. An explanation—Jesus Christ was sanctified of the Father (John 10:36) and we find our sanctification in Christ Jesus (1 Corinthians 1:2, 30 with Ephesians 1:6).
  - b. The agent—The Holy Ghost sanctifies us by washing us with the blood of Christ and placing us in Christ (Romans 15:16; 2 Thessalonians 2:13; 1 Peter 1:2).
3. We are justified—*our innocence*.
  - a. An explanation—We are declared right before God, the Father (Romans 5:1) based upon the resurrection of Christ (Romans 4:25).
  - b. The agent
    - (1) By His grace (Romans 3:24; Titus 3:7)
    - (2) By faith (Romans 3:28, 30; Romans 5:1; Galatians 3:24)
    - (3) By His blood (Romans 5:9)
    - (4) In the name of the Lord Jesus, and by His Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:11)

##### B. Our Creation

1. The saved individual is said to have dual natures within. Based upon the naming alone, one can assume that one nature has been with us since birth (old man) and the other since the new birth (new man).
2. Positionally, our old nature was crucified at salvation (Romans 6:6) and a new creature (2 Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 6:15) was created in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 2:10) and it was created in righteousness and true holiness (Ephesians 4:24) and renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created him (Colossians 3:10).
3. For a better understanding, consider the scriptural distinction presented in Colossians 3:9-11.
  - a. The old man (Colossians 3:9b)
    - (1) The object of putting off
    - (2) The time of putting off—“ye have put off”
  - b. The new man (Colossians 3:10-11)
    - (1) The time of putting on—“have put on” (Colossians 3:10)
    - (2) The object of putting on—“the new man” (Colossians 3:10)
    - (3) The nature of the new man (Colossians 3:10-11)



### C. Our Earnest

1. The concept of an earnest—a portion given in advance as a promise of completion of purchase (Ephesians 1:14)
2. The dwelling of our earnest
  - a. We are in Him (Romans 8:9).
  - b. He dwells within us (1 Corinthians 3:16; 1 Corinthians 6:19; 2 Corinthians 6:16; Galatians 4:6; 2 Timothy 1:14).
3. The identity of our earnest
  - a. He has sealed us and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts (2 Corinthians 1:22).
  - b. He has sealed us with the holy Spirit of promise, which is the earnest of our inheritance (Ephesians 1:13-14).
  - c. He has given unto us the earnest of the Spirit (2 Corinthians 5:5).
  - d. The absence of the Spirit is proof of no sonship (Romans 8:9).
4. The function of our earnest
  - a. To guide us into all truth (John 16:13)
  - b. To search the deep things of God (1 Corinthians 2:10)
  - c. To mortify the deeds of the body (Romans 8:13)
  - d. To cause a hunger for God (Romans 8:15)
  - e. To conform us to the image of Christ in preparation for the remainder of our inheritance (Galatians 5:16, 22; 1 Peter 1:22)
5. The completion of the earnest (Romans 8:23)

### D. Our Walk

1. While many people focus on the eternal results of salvation, our new birth is intended to have sound consequences or results in the immediate. Note: More of this will be discussed under the doctrinal heading of godly living.
2. The impact on our walk is twofold:
  - a. It obviously improves our walk with God (1 Peter 1:17-21).
  - b. It also improves our walk with our fellow man (1 Peter 1:22).

### E. Our Destination

1. When a lost man leaves this world, he finds himself in the midst of the inconceivable judgment of hell (Luke 16:19-31).
2. Yet, when a saved person leaves this world, he finds himself in the glorious presence of the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:8) and in the midst of inconceivable joys (Psalm 16:11).