

What Does it Mean to Accept Christ in Your Heart?



Accepting Christ in your heart gives you a rest inside. It's something to believe, not behave.

The bottom line is this, Jesus Christ was the “last Adam” that took all of our sins and died for us.

On the third day He rose for our justification, and we now are perfect, holy and blessed because The Father treats us as a joint-heir with Christ, the Last Adam.



Romans 6:1 What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? **2** By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? **3** Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? **4** We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.



Hebrews 10:1 For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, *and* not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect. **2** For then would they not have ceased to be offered? For the worshipers, once purified, would have had no more consciousness of sins. **3** But in those *sacrifices there is* a reminder of sins every year. **4** For *it is* not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins.



Hebrews 10:11 And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. **12** But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God



Romans 5:12-14 Message You know the story of how Adam landed us in the dilemma we're in—first sin, then death, and no one exempt from either sin or death. That sin disturbed relations with God in everything and everyone... But Adam, who got us into this, also points ahead to the One who will get us out of it...

18-19 Here it is in a nutshell: Just as one person did it wrong and got us in all this trouble with sin and death, another person did it right and got us out of it.



Romans 5:20-21 Message All that passing laws against sin did was produce more lawbreakers. But sin didn't, and doesn't, have a chance in competition with the aggressive forgiveness we call *grace*. When it's sin versus grace, grace wins hands down. All sin can do is threaten us with death, and that's the end of it. Grace, because God is putting everything together again through the Messiah, invites us into life—a life that goes on and on and on, world without end.



We are in the “much more” of the New Covenant.

If one man’s sin was powerful enough to make us all sinners...

Christ’s perfection is much more aggressive. We can always expect to be treated as a son and a bride (righteous, blessed, favored, and treated like Christ)

