

THE BOOK OF ACTS

THIS NEW LIFE

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SCRIPTURE

Then the high priest and all his associates, who were members of the party of the Sadducees, were filled with jealousy. They arrested the apostles and put them in the public jail. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the doors of the jail and brought them out. "Go, stand in the temple courts," he said, "and **tell the people all about this new life.**" At daybreak they entered the temple courts, as they had been told, and began to teach the people. Acts 5:17-21

THE BLESSINGS OF THIS NEW LIFE

There are many gifts within the gift of salvation!

God calls us.

You are called out of darkness into light.

"No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws them..." John 6:44

God regenerates us.

You are brought from spiritual death to spiritual life.

God redeems us.

You are bought back from sin's captivity and bondage.

God sanctifies us.

You are spiritually cleansed.

God justifies us.

You are looked on as if you have never sinned.

God reconciles us.

You are no longer estranged from the Lord.

God adopts us.

You are brought into God's family as His child.

God fills us.

You are filled with His Holy Spirit.

Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? 1 Corinthians 6:19

"The Holy Spirit inside of you is better than Jesus walking beside you."

God preserves us.

You are secured in God's salvation.

God glorifies us.

You are on your way to a new, eternal body.

God blesses us.

You are continually given undeserved gifts.

THE BATTLES OF THIS NEW LIFE

The Christian life is a combination of blessings and battles.

"A servant is not greater than his Master.' If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you."
John 15:20

We will face turmoil.

Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Ephesians 6:12

We will face troubles, trials & tribulations.

"In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." Jesus said.

We will face temptations.

I don't really understand myself. I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate. Romans 7:15

THE SHARING OF THIS NEW LIFE

There are many ways people in the New Testament share this new life:

Parenting	Heartfelt Conversations	Miraculous Moments	Lives Well Lived
Serving Others	Public Platforms	Missions Work	Explaining Scripture
Bringing People	Writing Letters	Sharing Their Story	

Who I was before I met Jesus...

What happened when I met Jesus...

Who I am after I met Jesus...

AGAINST DISCOURAGEMENT

Some people may ignore you completely.

Remember "The Rule of Seven".

This will be my third visit to you. "Every matter must be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses." 2 Corinthians 13:1

Some people may challenge you openly.

If someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it. But do this in a gentle and respectful way. 1 Peter 3:15-16

"Obey God and leave the consequences to Him." Charles Stanley

Some people may surprise you greatly!