

Recognize Your Position In Christ

Ephesians 1:3, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ."

The only thing that I've found in my travel: I found two different types of people. One of them is the **fundamentalist**; the other is a **Pentecostal**. And **the fundamentalist positionally knows their place in Christ, by election (Eph. 1:3-5). But they don't have too much faith. The Pentecostal has a lot of faith, but don't know their position.**

So it's just like a man that had a lot of money in the bank and couldn't write a check, and the other one could write a check, and didn't have no money in the bank. If we could only get those together. Either Pentecostal faith with fundamental doctrine, or fundamental doctrine with Pentecostal faith, it will work.

So if the Church only knew its position... And **the greatest hindrance in the Church is fear**. They're afraid that it just **won't work**. Well, it just won't, for you, that way. It will not work that way; **it must be absolutely believers, not make-believers, but believers from your heart (Rom. 10:9-10).** [1]

The new Birth is Christ, is a revelation. God has revealed to you this great mystery, and that's a new Birth (I Cor. 2:10-12). Now what are you going to do when you get all that group together, **where the revelation is perfectly in harmony**, and God expressing it through His Word by the same actions, the same things that He did, making the Word manifest! **Oh, if the Church only knew its position! It will, one day. Then, the Rapture will go (I Thess. 4:16-17), when it knows what it is.** [2]

And when David went to meet Goliath, Goliath looked at him and laughed, and said, "Why, what am I a dog, you coming out to meet me like that, a little old ruddy looking boy?" He was ruddy, little. You know what Saul called him? Said, "Who is this stripling?" (*I Sam. 17:41-58*). Just a little old kid like, you know, little old sissy looking fellow, probably shoulders stooped over, and here he come with this little sling, **but he knewed God**; that's the main thing (*John 17:3*). He was a believer. **He was elected. He was called. He was anointed, and he was placed.** Hallelujah!

You say, "Well, I wasn't called to be a preacher." You might be called to be a housewife, **but you got your position in Christ Jesus by the Holy Ghost.** Amen. You're just as much David as the rest of them was. [3]

And see, **how God, in His great plans just knowed how to make every person just exactly to be a certain thing, 'cause He's going to use them for that purpose.**

We all have different makeups. If we would just find our position in Christ, and there abide and serve Him... (*I Cor. 7:20-24*). [4]

And that's one thing that has hurt our Pentecostal move and other moves, **is somebody trying to be something that they're not**. They are trying to impersonate someone else. You can't do that. **You're just what you are; that's all. And when you do that, God will use you in just what you are. And you're just as important as anybody else.**

As I said the other night, the little bitty hairspring in this watch is just as important as the mainspring, 'cause it takes it all together to make time. **When we realize our position in Christ and then abide in that, if it's just a little housewife, stay right there. That's what God wants you to do. See? Just be what you are.** [5]

I think of a little sister here in the wheel chair, sometime, **how many faithful prayers have been made over it. Then we don't understand, so we just commit it to God.** She is a flower here among you, with her pleasantness and everything. See, that we can get up and go around, how she would long to do that, **but yet she is pleasant** just the way she sits. I always get inspired to watch the little lady... We all believe in healing. We've seen God do miracles far beyond that, see. And she knows that, too, see, **but she's willing to take her place.**

See, whatever it is, that's what we want. And I believe it was David, said, "I would rather be a doormat at the house of the Lord, than to dwell in tents with the wicked." (*Psalms 84:10*). You see, no matter what it is, "take my place."

Sometimes you have to separate from everything that's dear on earth, to you, to take your position that God has called you to. I'm sure you can read between the lines, what I'm saying. See? Sometimes the very dearest person on earth, you have to shake hands with them; just take your position in Christ, to where God has called you. See? But what is God doing? Transforming you from what you was. Maybe a daughter or a son, or whatever it is, from a lovely family sometimes, He places you somewhere else. Because, it's His way of doing it, see, **by the renewing of your mind** (*Eph. 4:20-24; Rom. 12:2*), **to obey the Word of God, regardless of what the price is.**

Our redemption wasn't a cheap thing, it was the Son of God had to die for us. See? **Things of value come of great price** (*I Peter 1:17-20*).

To bring this Message, it wasn't easy. See? No, it isn't. I had to forsake everything that was dear to me, even my own people, everybody. **But you see the value of it is, you see, is to do the will of God** (*Heb. 10:7*). [6]

Be persistent! Hold your position in Christ, your confession. Hold fast your confession in Christ! (*Eph. 4:11-16*). [7]

So, Jesus, so full of this quickening power, said, "If you can destroy this temple; that took you forty years, you thought, to build; I'll raise it up in three days." (*John 2:19-21*).

Why? Why could Jesus say that? Want to ask you. Why could Jesus say a thing like that? He knew That He was. Amen. I wish I could make that stick. **He knew Who He was. He knew that, every Word, God had written in there of Him, He had fulfilled it.** He knew He was the One David spoke of.

Do you know you're the ones the Bible speaks of? Do you know your position is in Christ? If you're in Christ, you're a new creature (II Cor. 5:17). Do you know this Word is just like everyday living, to you? Why, sure. It's yours. **You are an eagle. That's your Food.** [8]

As long as you're in Christ, you are in the Bible; you're in Him in the Bible. As long as you are in Christ, then you are in the fullness of the Bible. You are in your full position when you're in Christ. All understand that? [9]

And as long as you are in the line of duty, keeping God's Word, doing just what He told you to do, marching by the orders of God, you've got a right to say to that mountain, "Be moved!"

God keeps His Word. *"If you say to this mountain, 'Be moved,' don't doubt in your heart, but believe that that what you said will come to pass, you can have that what you have said."* Jesus said that, in Saint Mark 11:22. That's the Truth. I know that's the Truth. It's God's Word, and that proves that it's the Truth. We're just afraid sometimes. We get to a place, we're afraid He won't keep that Word. He will keep that Word. He said He would do it. Now, we find that's true. He proved it. [10]

Now, the Methodist said, "When you shout, you got It." A lot of them shouted and didn't have It. The Pentecost said, "When you speak in tongues, you got It." Many speak with tongues, and didn't have It. Look how, all kind of forms those Pharisees had, **but when the Word was made manifest, they didn't recognize It.**

And if you are the Bride, the Bride is a part of the Husband. The only place that you'll ever recognize It, is recognize what part of that Husband (that Word) you are, or you can't recognize being the Bride. How many sees that? **You have to recognize your position.**

You can't recognize somebody else's. What if Moses would have come with Noah's message? And Noah was a part of it, but it wouldn't have worked. What if Jesus would have come with Moses' Message? It wouldn't have worked. See, it was a different age, it was a different prophecy, a different part of the Word had to be fulfilled there. They were in another day of the week. Tuesday's work can't be done on Wednesday. And Wednesday has got to be done on Wednesday. Saturday has to be Saturday's work. See?

And, they, they had recognized, "Oh, Moses, we have Moses."

He said, "If you'd have knowed Moses, you would know Me, for he was the one that spoke of Me. *'The Lord your God shall raise a prophet likened unto me.'*" (Deut. 18:15). Get the idea?

Then Jesus said, in John 14:26/16:13, *"When He, the Holy Ghost, is come, He will bring these things to your memory, see, show you what day you're*

living in. And then, another thing you'll know Him by, **He'll show you things to come,**" see, **right back to the prophetic again, "when He's come."** [11]

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all spiritual blessings (whereabouts?) in heavenly places in Christ:" (Eph. 1:2-3).

"Heavenly places." Oh, how I wish I had time! Here I've got it marked right here in my Bible, about Heavenly places, what is Heavenly places. **Heavenly places is "the believer's position in Christ," see, "where the believer stands in Christ," in Heavenly places.** [2]

How that must be a beautiful thing for the Father to look down upon His child **coming home to Him and holding his position in Christ, his faith and his confession, "I am saved by the grace of God," and stand there in the hour of death, yet we can hold our profession, we are saved** (Eph. 2:8-9).

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You feel that sweetness of the Spirit just moving over the audience? Now, honestly before God, **how many can really feel that the Holy Spirit is close? Setting in heavenly places in Christ Jesus...**

Move sweet Spirit of God! Call from death unto life! Speak to the seed of Abraham! Give them faith! **Let them know that they can possess the gate of every enemy, because every enemy has been put under the feet of Christ, even death. And we stand in Him a conqueror** (Rom. 8:37). **Every enemy is under your feet as long as you are in Christ, because everything is under His feet** (I Cor. 15:25-28; Eph. 1:19-23; Heb. 2:8).

How do we get into Him? By one Spirit we are all baptized into one body, been made partakers of the **same blessing, the same power** (I Cor. 12:13). **The same faith dwells within our heart that dwelled in Abraham,** that same faith that was in Abraham, holding a promise of God just before the destruction of the world, Sodom world, in Lot's day. That same faith can draw that same Angel to this building and do the same things that He did then. You believe it? [13]

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[2] "Christ Is The Mystery of God Revealed" (63-0728), par. 240, 181-182

[3] "This Great Warrior David" (55-0118), par. E-40-41

[4] "Hear His Voice" (58-1005M), par. 15

[5] "Why" (61-0413), par E-6

[6] "Power of Transformation" (65-1031M), par. 75-79

[7] "Perseverance" (63-1116E), par. 199

[8] "The Easter Seal" (65-0410), par. 237-239

[9] "Questions & Answers" (64-0830M), par. 194

[10] "Proving His Word" (65-0426), par. 115-116

[11] "Future Home" (64-0802), par. 264-270

[12] "Questions & Answers" (61-1015M), par. 12

[13] "Thy Seed Shall Possess the Gate of His Enemy" (59-1121), par. E-37

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[Bro. Branham in „Conduct-Order-Doctrine“, page 724]