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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 28

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by providing a **new life** for you. **2 Cor. 5:17**, *“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.”*

The Greek word here for new creation is *ktiois*. It means a new species or creature that has not existed before. When a person puts their faith in Jesus for salvation and receives His gift of redemption, the scripture says you are changed. You are made new. What used to be has now been exchanged for what He wants you to be. Made new, right, and in His image. He gives us a new mind-the mind of Christ. He gives us a new heart-one that is filled with His Holy Spirit. He gives us a new direction-focused on Him and not on ourselves. This is truly a picture of repentance. We were headed on the road to destruction because of our selfish sin. When we heard His call, we had to turn away from where we were headed to go where He is. He is our light and our salvation. And because He now lives in us by His Spirit, He continually renews us and leads us in the path we should go. And the best thing is this: when you receive His gift of salvation, God sees you as a new creation. He sees you as completely changed, made new, forgiven and clean.

The problem we have many times, is living in the forgiveness of God. We know He has forgiven our sin and redeemed us, but we many times can't forgive ourselves. We can't let go of the things we've done. Look at it this way: Let's say you owed 150 million dollars and there was absolutely no way you could pay it. Most of us couldn't. The debt we owed for our sins was much greater than that. So instead, Jesus took all of our sins upon Himself and paid our debt off! We owe nothing! Free and clear! How should that make us feel? Grateful, blessed, and set free would be good descriptions. Well, that is exactly what God has provided for those who will receive His gift of salvation

Dear Father, thank You that you see me as a new creation. You have covered my sin and now You desire to live Your life through me. Lord I choose to move out of the way and let You truly be Lord today. In Jesus Name, Amen