iDENTITY - You Are Accepted in Christ

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1 Peter 2:9

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1. CHOSEN BY GOD AND HIS CHILD

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John 1:12

12 Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become <u>children of God</u>.

In Christ, you are...

2. FORGIVEN, REDEEMED & JUSTIFIED

Ephesians 1:7

7 In him we have <u>redemption through his blood</u>, the <u>forgiveness of sins</u>, in accordance with the <u>riches of God's grace</u>.

1 Peter 1:18-19

18 For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that <u>you were redeemed</u> from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, 19 but <u>with the precious blood of Christ</u>, a lamb without blemish or defect.

Romans 5:1-2

I Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand.

In Christ, you are...

3. LOVED

John 15:13

13 Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.

1 John 3:16

16 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us.

Romans 5:8

8 But <u>God demonstrates his own love for us</u> in this: <u>While we</u> were still sinners, Christ died for us.