

A BIBLICALLY BALANCED VIEW OF SELF

CHRISTIAN, WHO DOES GOD SAY YOU ARE: GOD SAYS:

I am created in His image (Gen.1:27).

(A moral, personal, emotional, rational volitional, spiritual being)

I am made by God, therefore, I have no significance or security apart from a right relationship with Him.

I am responsible and accountable for my life (II Cor.5:10)  
(thoughts, attitudes, responses, behaviour).

I am a rebel; a sinner, fallen short of God's holy standards (Rom.3:10,23).

I am known by God (Ps.139:1).

I am understood by God (Ps.103:13-14)

I am loved (Jer.31:3) and secure (Rom.1:7).

"I have loved you with an everlasting love"

I am loved unconditionally by God (Rom.5:8).

"while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us"

I am redeemed (I Pe.1:18-19).

" You were not redeemed with corruptible things... but with the precious blood of Christ."

I am special (II Thes.2:13b).

... because from the beginning God chose you to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth.

I am chosen ... for a purpose (John 15:16).

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide."

I am of value (Jn.1:12).

"Yet to all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God."

I am a new creation (II Cor.5:17).

"Old things are passed away and all things are becoming new."

I am accepted (Eph.1:6; Rom.15:7).

"He has accepted us in the beloved."

I am forgiven (Col.1:14; I Jn.1:9; Eph.1:7).

"In (Christ) we have forgiveness of sins."

I am dead to sin and ALIVE unto God (Rom.6:11).

I am radically changed in my spiritual position ... now in Christ (Eph.2).

Former

Present

Dead in sins	2:1	Made alive	2:5
Under devil's power	2:2	Raised together	2:6
Ruled by lusts	2:3	Seated together-with	2:6
Children of wrath	2:3	God's workmanship	2:10
Without Christ	2:12	Created in Christ	2:10
Alienated	2:12	Brought near	2:13

Strangers to covenants	2:12	Access to Father	2:18
Without hope	2:12	Fellow-citizen	2:19
Without God	2:12	Member of family	2:19
Afar off	2:13	All come to climax in verse 20	

I am cared for (I Pet.5:7).

"Cast all your anxieties on Him, for He cares about you."

I am unique (Ps.139:14).

"I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made, marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knows right well."

I am provided for (Matt.6:25-34).

I am made for a purpose (Eph.2:10).

"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

I am specially "gifted" to serve effectively in the Body of Christ (Rom.12:3-8, I Cor.12).

"Since we all have gifts, let us exercise them accordingly."

I am changing (Phil.1:6).

"Being confident of this very thing, that He which has begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."

I am blessed (Ps.103).

I am accompanied and supported (Josh.1:9).

"Be strong and of good courage; be not frightened, neither be dismayed; for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

I am complete in Christ (Col.2:10; II Tim.3:17).

I am eternally secure (Jn.10:27-30), "sealed" (Eph.4:30; Rom.8:38-39).

"No man shall take them (my sheep) out of my Father's hand."

Because you are Special and Chosen; Loved and Cared for; have been Redeemed and are Changing; you are Unique and of Special Value; you have a True Purpose in life - "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." (Eph.2:10) All of our deepest needs are met here in a right relationship with God! What is your focus going to be on from this point on? Remember:

What holds the mind

- molds the life!

Let God's truths control your mind.

If you're not believing God's truths, then you're believing Satan's lies!

"As a man thinks in his heart - so is he."

You may not feel like these things are true, but that is not the issue! - Begin to live like it's true!

It's your choice