

# WHO AM I AS A WOMAN IN CHRIST?

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There are many teachings that undermine and disempower women to serve the Lord. However, the Bible has so much to say about who women are in Christ. We need to know these things so that we can be encouraged and empowered to grow and become useful vessels of honour in the Kingdom. Here are some of the things the Bible says about who we are in Christ.

## Who Am I As A Woman In Christ?

- I am chosen by God *Ephesians 1:4*
- I am adopted by God *Ephesians 1:5*
- I am a child of God in His family *1 John 3:1*
- I am forgiven by God of all my sins *1 John 1:9*
- I am reconciled to God *Romans 5:10*
- I am seen by God as holy, blameless, above reproach *Colossians 1: 21, 22*
- I am sealed with God's Holy Spirit *Ephesians 1:13*
- I am called to accomplish God's purpose *Romans 8:28, 30*
- I am a full citizen among God's people *Ephesians 2:19*
- I am justified – declared right in God's sight *Romans 5:1*
- I am sanctified – set apart by God's Spirit *1 Corinthians 6:11*
- I am redeemed – bought with Christ's blood *Ephesians 1:7*
- I am cleansed by Christ's blood of all my sins *1 John 1:7*
- I am being conformed to the character of Christ *Romans 8:29*
- I am an heir of God and joint-heir with Christ *Romans 8:16, 17*
- I am an ambassador for Christ *2 Corinthians 5:20*
- I am seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus *Ephesians 2:6*
- I have put on Christ *Galatians 3:26*
- I am complete in Christ *Colossians 2:10*

## We Are Members Of God's Family

- We are members of God's family. – *Ephesians 2:19*
- Jesus Christ became one of us so that we can become one of God's. – *Hebrews 2:10-18*
- Just as new born baby comes with the genetic code of the family she/he was born into, we are spiritually born (born-again) in to Gods family and possess the spiritual 'genetic code' of God.
- Therefore, all believers are secured in God with supernatural glue which cannot be separated. To separate us from God's family, one would have to:
  - Break the seal of the Holy Spirit – *Ephesians 1:13-14*
  - Open God the Father's hand and snatch us from His hand – *John 10:29*
  - Snatch us from Jesus Christ – *John 10:28*
  - This can never happen because God has hidden us with Christ in Him – *Colossians 3:3*.

## We Are Joint-Heirs With Jesus Christ

When we are born again into God's family, we become children of God, which makes us joint-heirs with Jesus – *Romans 8:16-17*. This means that:

- We can have everything Christ has died to purchase for us
- God hears us as He hears Christ – *Hebrews 4:14-16*
- God loves us the way He loves Christ – *Romans 8:39*

## We Are Sons Of God

Not only are we children of God, but we are sons of God, in Christ Jesus

### **Galatians 3:26 –29**

"For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you *are* Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

### **Romans 8:14-17**

*"For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him."*

- Sonship is not by gender, therefore, our identity in Christ is not based on gender.
- It is based on the finished work of the Cross
- Therefore, both men and women have equal identity in Christ
- We share in all the blessings and inheritance that are found in Christ
- We must also share the responsibilities of building His Kingdom