

LESSON TWENTY-SIX: JOINED TO CHRIST

After we have believed and are baptized into Christ, we have a life union with Christ and are joined to Him. Our being joined to Him is based on His first being joined to us. Therefore, we must first consider how He is joined to us, and then how we are joined to Him.

I. CHRIST BEING JOINED TO US

A. By Becoming Flesh

1) “And the Word [God] became flesh” (John 1:14). Christ is the Word of God and is God Himself (John 1:1). The first step He took in joining Himself to us was to become flesh, that is, to become a man of flesh. As God, He took on a human body with the human nature to join with man as one, thus becoming a God-man. This was the beginning of His being joined to us.

B. Bringing Us through Death and Resurrection into Ascension

1) “I have been crucified with Christ” (Gal. 2:20); “Our old man has been crucified with Him” (Rom. 6:6); “...died with Christ” (Col. 2:20).

These verses reveal to us that in His crucifixion, Christ brought us with Him through the death of the cross.

2) “You were raised together with Christ” (Col. 3:1). This word shows us that in His resurrection, Christ also brought us with Him into resurrection.

3) “...seated us together in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus” (Eph. 2:6).

This word shows us that in ascending into heaven, Christ also brought us with Him into ascension.

Christ can bring us through death and resurrection and even into ascension because He is joined to us.

C. Living and Making His Home in Us

1) “Christ is in you” (Rom. 8:10).

Christ first became flesh to join Himself to us, and then He brought us with Him through death and resurrection and into ascension. After He accomplished God’s eternal redemption through these steps, He came into us to further join Himself to us, applying to us what He had accomplished as God’s full salvation. For this purpose, He became the One who is in us and is joined to us.

2) “Christ lives in me” (Gal. 2:20).

In entering into us and being joined to us, Christ not only is in us but also is living in us; that is, He is living His life in us.

3) “That Christ may make His home in your hearts” (Eph. 3:17).

When Christ is joined to us within, He lives His life in us,

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我们信而受浸归入基督，就和基督有了生命的联结，而联于他。我们联于他是根据他先联于我们。所以我们要先来看他如何联于我们，再看我们如何联于他。

壹 基督联于我们

一 借着成为肉体

(一) “话（神）成了肉体”。（约一 14）
基督乃是神的话，也就是神自己（约一 1）。他联于我们，头一步是借着成为肉体，就是成为有肉体的人。他是以神的身分，来取了人体与人性，与人联为一，成为神而人者的一位。这是他联于我们的开始。

二 带着我们经过死而复活并升天

(一) “我已经与基督同钉十字架”。- “我们的旧人已经与他同钉十字架。” - “与基督同死”。（加二 20，罗六 6，西二 20）
这几处经文都是启示我们，基督钉死十字架，是带着我们与他一同经过了十字架的死。

(二) “你们...与基督一同...复活”。（西三 1）

这话给我们看见，基督复活也是带着我们和他一同进入复活。

(三) “我们在基督耶稣里...一同坐在诸天界里”。（弗二 6）

这话给我们看见，基督升到天上，也是带着我们和他一同升天。

基督能带着我们经过死而复活，且升到天上，因为他是联于我们的。

三 在我们里面生活安家

(一) “基督...在你们里面”。（罗八 10）
基督先成为肉体，联于我们，又带着我们经过死而复活并升天。他借着这些步骤，完成了神永远的救赎之后，就进到我们的里面，进一步的联于我们，将他所完成的施行在我们身上，成为神完全的救恩。所以他就成了在我们里面，联于我们的。

(二) “基督在我里面活着”。（加二 20）
基督进入我们里面，联于我们，不仅是在我们里面，且是活在我们里面，就是生活在我们里面。

(三) “基督...安家在你们心里”。（弗三 17）

基督在我们里面，联于我们，既生活在我

and He also wants to make His home in our hearts; that is, He wants to saturate every part of our entire being, mingling with us as one. This shows that He will be joined to us to the uttermost.

II. WE BEING JOINED TO CHRIST

A. Through Believing and Being Baptized

1) "...believes into Him [Christ]" (Acts 10:43, lit.); "...baptized into Christ" (Gal. 3:27).

Originally we were born in Adam, apart from Christ (Eph. 2:12). Through our believing and being baptized, we have entered into Christ. This is the beginning of the experience of our being joined to Christ.

B. Through God's Anointing

1) "But He who firmly attaches us [the apostles] with you [the believers] unto Christ and has anointed us [with the Holy Spirit] is God" (2 Cor. 1:21).

When we believe into the Lord and are baptized, God puts His Spirit in us and anoints us, firmly attaching us to Christ. On the one hand, it is we who believe and are baptized into Christ; on the other hand, it is God who attaches us unto Christ by anointing us with His Spirit.

C. Becoming a New Creation in Christ

1) "...In Christ" (2 Cor. 12:2); "...in Christ...a new creation" (2 Cor. 5:17).

By believing and being baptized into Christ, we become men of the new creation in Christ. We become such men by being joined to Christ in our experience.

D. Abiding in Christ

1) "Abide in Me [Christ]" (John 15:4); "Abide in Him [Christ]" (1 John 2:27).

After we enter into Christ to become a new creation in Him, we must remain in Him and abide in Him, taking Him as our dwelling and our resting place. In Christ we enjoy all that He is to us. We enjoy Him as our life and life supply, and as the peace, comfort, support, leading, joy, and hope that we need to live a heavenly, spiritual, holy, victorious, and transcendent life so that we may become transcendent persons, experiencing our being joined to Him in our living and our walk.

E. Living with Christ

1) "Because I [Christ] live, you shall live also...and I in you" (John 14:19-20); "...live with Him [Christ]" (Rom. 6:8).

Both of these passages speak of our living with Christ. Our being joined to Christ begins with our entering into Him, continues with our remaining in Him and abiding in Him, and is intensified by our living with Him. This is the experience in our living of being joined to Him and of taking

们里面，又要安家在我们心里，就是要渗透我们全人里面的每一部分，与我们调和为一。这是说出他联于我们，要达到极点。

贰 我们联于基督

一 借着信而受浸

(一) "信入他 (基督)。" - "浸入基督"。(徒十 43, 加三 27)

我们原是生在亚当里的人，在基督以外(弗二 12)，因信而受浸，就归入了基督，就进入了他的里面。这是我们在经历中联于基督的开始。

二 借着神的施膏

(一) "那把我们 (使徒) 同你们 (信徒)，坚固的联于基督，并且 (用圣灵) 膏了我们的，就是神。" (林后一 21)

我们一信入主而受浸，神就将他的灵放在我们里面，膏了我们，把我们坚固的联于基督。一面是我们信入而浸入基督，同时另一面是神借着他的施膏，就是用他的灵膏了我们，把我们联于基督。

三 在基督里成了新造

(一) "在基督里"。 - "在基督里，他就是新造。" (林后十二 2, 林后五 17)

我们借着信而受浸，归入了基督，就成了在基督里新造的人。这是我们在经历中联于基督，所成为的一个人。

四 住在基督里

(一) "你们要住在我 (基督) 里面"。 - "住在他 (基督) 里面。" (约十五 4, 约 壹二 27)

我们进入基督，成了在他里面的新造，就要留在他里面，且住在他里面，以他作为我们的住处，作我们安身之所，在他里面享受他之于我们的一切，作我们的生命和生命的供应，以及我们所需要的平安、安慰、扶持、引导、喜乐和盼望等等，叫我们过属天、属灵、圣别、得胜、超脱的生活，也就是叫我们作一个超脱的人，在生活行动中，经历我们与他的联结。

五 与基督同活

(一) "我 (基督) 活着，你们也要活着。...你们在我里面。" - "与他 (基督) 同活。" (约十四 19~20, 罗六 8)

这二处经文，都是说到我们与基督同活。我们联于基督，开始于进入他里面，继续于留在他里面，住在他里面，且加强于与他同活。这是我们在生活中，经历我们于联他，以他为生命 (西三 4)。

Him as life (Col. 3:4).

F. Being Manifested with Christ in Glory

1) “You also shall be manifested with Him [Christ] in glory” (Col. 3:4).

The ultimate state of our being joined to Christ, taking Him as life, and living in Him is to be manifested with Him in glory when He is manifested. This is the ultimate completion of our experience of being joined to Christ.

六 与基督一同显于荣耀

(一)“与他（基督）一同显现在荣耀里。”

(西三 4)

我们联于基督，以他为生命，活在他里面的极点，乃是在他显现的时候，与他一同显现在荣耀里。这是我们经历联于基督的终极完成。

LESSON TWENTY-SEVEN: ABIDING IN CHRIST

When we believe and are baptized into Christ, we are in Christ. In Christ we obtain and enjoy all the riches in Him. To maintain such a position in Christ and to continue to enjoy all the riches in Him, we must continue to remain in Him, with the result that we abide in Him. Therefore, we must consider this matter thoroughly.

I. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF ABIDING IN CHRIST

A. Being Joined to Christ

1) “I [Christ] am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing” (John 15:5).

There is a difference between being in Christ and abiding in Christ. Being in Christ refers to the fact of our having entered into Christ to partake of Him and to be joined to Him. Abiding in Christ refers to the experience of our remaining in Christ to fellowship with and enjoy Him. In this verse the Lord Jesus speaks to us specifically concerning such an experience. He describes our life of abiding in Him by the illustration of the branches abiding in the vine. He is the vine and we are His branches. This shows us clearly that, if we desire to live in Him to enjoy all His life supply, thus bearing fruit to fulfill our duty as His members, we must abide in Him. This is like the branches of the vine, which must abide in the vine in order to enjoy all the life supply of the vine and bear fruit in order to fulfill their duty. If we are separated from Christ, like branches separated from the vine, we cannot live in Him nor can we receive the life supply from Him to bear fruit for Him. Therefore, if we would live in Christ, we must not be separated from Him.

B. Having Fellowship with Christ

1) “...and report to you the eternal life, which...was manifested to us...that you also may have fellowship with us [the apostles], and indeed the fellowship which is ours is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ” (1 John 1:2-3).

These verses tell us that the reporting of the eternal life to us enables us to have fellowship with the apostles, and that the fellowship of the apostles is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. In other words, the eternal life, the life of God in Christ, that is, Christ Himself as life, brings a fellowship to us, that we may have fellowship not only with the apostles but also with God and Christ. This fellowship is

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我们信而受浸归入基督，就在基督里了。在基督里我们得着并得享在他里面的一切丰富。要维持这一个在基督里的地位，并继续不断的享受在他里面一切的丰富，我们就需要继续不断的留在他里面，以至于住在他里面。所以我们也要把这件事好好的看一下。

壹 住在基督里的意义

一 与基督联合

(一)“我(基督)是葡萄树，你们是枝子；住在我里面的，我也住在他里面，这人就多结果子；因为离了我，你们就不能作什么。”(约十五 5)

住在基督里，与在基督里是不同的。在基督里，是指我们进入了基督，有分并联合于基督的事实。住在基督里，是指我们留在基督里，与基督相交，并享受基督的经历。这里的经文是主基督对我们特特说到这一经历。他是用比喻，形容我们住在他里面的生活，就如同葡萄树的枝子住在葡萄树里面一样。他是这葡萄树，我们是他的枝子。这给我们清楚看见，我们要活在他里面，得享他一切生命的供应，而结出果子，完成我们作他肢体的本分，如同葡萄树的枝子，要活在葡萄树里面，得享它一切生命的供应，而结出果子，完成它们的本分，就必须住在他里面，如同葡萄树的枝子住在葡萄树上一样。我们若和基督有了隔离，如同葡萄树的枝子与葡萄树有了隔离，我们就不得住在他里面，也就不能从他得到生命的供应，而为他结出果子来。所以住在基督里，就要和他没有隔离。

二 与基督交通

(一)“将...显现与我们那永远的生命传与你们；...使你们也可以与我们(使徒)有交通；...而且我们的交通，又是与父并与他儿子耶稣基督所有的。”(约壹一 2~3)

这处经文告诉我们，将永远的生命传与我们，会使我们与使徒们有交通，而使徒们的交通又是与父并他儿子耶稣基督所有的。这就是说，那永远的生命，就是神在基督里的生命，也就是基督自己作生命，会带给我们一种交通，使我们不只与使徒们有交通，也与神和基督有交通。这交通

the flowing of God's life in us, causing us to have fellowship with God and Christ, to participate in all that They are, and to enjoy Their life supply. To have fellowship with God and Christ in this way is to abide in Christ. This abiding will result in three conditions, as given below.

1. Being Enlightened

1) "God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him and walk in the darkness, we lie and are not practicing the truth" (1 John 1:5-6).

When we have fellowship with God, who is light, such fellowship brings us into God's light that we may be enlightened. Thus, we will not walk in darkness.

2. Confessing Our Sins and Being Cleansed

1) "But if we walk in the light as He [God] is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin...if we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous that He may forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:7-9).

When we are enlightened by God in our fellowship with Him, we will see our own sins. If we confess our sins in God's light, He will forgive us our sins, and the blood of Jesus His Son will cleanse us from all sin. If we do not confess our sins in order to be cleansed, our sins will interrupt the fellowship which we have with God and with Christ. Only when we confess our sins and are cleansed is our fellowship with God and Christ restored. Then we may again abide in Christ without anything between us and Him.

3. Growing in Life

1) "...grows with the growth of God" (Col. 2:19).

By abiding in Christ and fellowshiping with Him, the life within us will continue to grow, and we will also grow with the growth of God's life unto maturity.

II. THE WAY TO ABIDE IN CHRIST

A. According to the Teaching of the Anointing

1) "As His anointing...has taught you, abide in Him [Christ]" (1 John 2:27).

The anointing mentioned here is the moving of the Holy Spirit, who dwells in us. Such moving of the Holy Spirit in us, as the ointment anointing us within, teaches us the truth. We should abide in the Lord according to the teaching of this anointing.

B. Walking as the Lord Walked

1) "He who says he abides in Him [Christ] ought himself also to walk even as that One walked" (1 John 2:6).

To abide in Christ, on the one hand, we must be according to the teaching of the anointing of the Holy Spirit inwardly,

乃是神的生命在我们里面的流通，使我们与神和基督相交，有分于神和基督所是的一切，得享神和基督生命的供应。这样与神和基督交通，就是住在基督里，会有下列三种情形。

1 蒙到光照

(一)“神就是光，在他里面毫无黑暗；...我们若说我们与神有交通，却在黑暗里行，就是说谎话，不行真理了。”(约壹一 5~6)

神就是光，我们与神交通，这交通就带我们到神的光中，叫我们蒙到光照，我们就不会在黑暗里行。

2 认罪得洗净

(一)“我们若在光中行，如同神在光中，就彼此有交通，他儿子耶稣的血也洗净我们一切的罪。...我们若认自己的罪，神是信实的，是公义的，必要赦免我们的罪，洗净我们一切的不义。”(约壹一 7~9)

我们在与神的交通中，蒙了神的光照，就会看见自己的罪。我们若在神的光中承认我们的罪，他就必赦免我们的罪，他儿子耶稣的血，也必洗净我们一切的罪。我们若不承认我们的罪，而得到洗净，我们的罪就使我们与神和基督的交通中断了，直等到我们承认我们的罪，得到洗净，我们与神和基督的交通才会恢复，再无间隔的住在基督里面。

3 使生命长大

(一)“以神的生长而长大”。(西二 19)
我们住在基督里面，与基督交通，使我们里面的生命一再的增长，我们也就在神生命的生长里长大，直到成熟。

贰 住在基督里的途径

一 按着膏油涂抹的教导

(一)“按...膏油涂抹所教导你们的，住在他(基督)里面”。(约壹二 27)

这里所说的膏油涂抹，乃是住在我们里面圣灵的运行。圣灵这在我们里面的运行，象膏油在我们里面涂抹，教导我们真理。我们要按这膏油涂抹的教导，住在主里面。

二 照主所行的去行

(一)“那说自己住在他(基督)里面的，就该照他所行的去行。”(约壹二 6)

我们住在基督里面，一面在里面要按着圣灵涂抹的教导，一面在外面要照主所行的

and on the other hand, we must walk as the Lord walked outwardly. This means that we must abide in Christ according to the teaching of the Holy Spirit inwardly and according to the walk of the Lord outwardly.

C. Keeping God's Commandments

1) "And he who keeps His [God's] commandments abides in Him" (1 John 3:24).

To abide in Christ, in addition to being according to the teaching of the anointing of the Holy Spirit and walking as the Lord walked, we must keep God's commandments, God's charges to us, and be those who are submissive to God.

III. THE ISSUE OF ABIDING IN CHRIST

A. Christ Abiding in Us

1) "Abide in Me [Christ] and I in you" (John 15:4); "...abides in Him [God], and He in him" (1 John 3:24).

The first issue of our abiding in Christ is that Christ and God abide in us to dispense Their riches to us, supplying and transfusing them into us.

B. Bearing Much Fruit to Glorify God

1) "He who abides in Me [Christ] and I in him, he bears much fruit" (John 15:5). "In this is My Father glorified, that you bear much fruit" (John 15:8).

If we abide in Christ, He also will abide in us, enabling us to enjoy all the riches of His life. Thus, we will bear much fruit to glorify God, that is to live out God that He may be expressed in us.

C. Boldly Meeting the Lord and Not Being Put to Shame

1) "Abide in Him [Christ], that if He is manifested, we may have boldness and not be put to shame from Him at His coming" (1 John 2:28).

If we abide in Christ and bear much fruit by His life to glorify God, when He is manifested, we will boldly meet Him and not be put to shame from His glorious presence (cf. Matt. 25:30).

去行。这就是说，我们要在里面照着圣灵所教导的，并在外面照着主所行的，住在基督里面。

三 遵守神的命令

(一) "遵守神诫命的，就住在神里面。"
(约壹三 24)

我们住在基督里面，除了按着圣灵涂抹的教导，并照着主所行的去行，还要遵守神的诫命，就是神所吩咐我们的话，作一个顺服神的人。

叁 住在基督里的成果

一 基督住在我们里面

(一) "你们要住在我(基督)里面，我也住在你们里面。" - "住在神里面，神也住在他里面。"(约十五 4, 约壹三 24)

我们住在基督里面，第一个成果就是得着基督和神住在我们里面，将他们的丰富分赐与我们，供应灌输到我们里面。

二 多结果子荣耀神

(一) "住在我(基督)里面的，我也住在他里面，这人就多结果子。" - "你们多结果子，我父就因此得荣耀。"(约十五 5、8)

我们住在基督里，他也就住在我们里面，使我们得享他生命一切的丰富，我们就多结果子荣耀神，就是将神活出来，叫神在我们身上得着彰显。

三 坦然见主不至蒙羞

(一) "你们要住在主(基督)里面；这样，他若显现，我们就可以坦然无惧，当他来临的时候，也不至于蒙羞离开他。"(约壹二 28)

我们住在基督里面，凭他的生命多结果子荣耀神，到他显现的时候，就可坦然见他，不至蒙羞，离开他荣耀的面光(参看太二五 30)。