

Living as a new creation

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

(2 Corinthians 5:17)

Changed position

- But now, thus says the LORD, your Creator, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine!
- (Isaiah 43:1)

Impact of redemption

- "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they will not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, Nor will the flame burn you.
• (Isaiah 43:2)
- "Since you are precious in My sight, Since you are honoured and I love you, I will give other men in your place and other peoples in exchange for your life.
• (Isaiah 43:4)

Stop being defined by your past

- "Do not call to mind the former things, Or ponder things of the past. "Behold, I will do something new, Now it will spring forth; Will you not be aware of it? I will even make a roadway in the wilderness, Rivers in the desert.
- (Isaiah 43:18-19)
- "The people whom I formed for Myself Will declare My praise.
- (Isaiah 43:21)

Trading up

- The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, To proclaim liberty to captives And freedom to prisoners; To proclaim the favourable year of the LORD And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, To grant those who mourn in Zion, Giving them a garland instead of ashes, The oil of gladness instead of mourning, The mantle of praise instead of a spirit of fainting. So they will be called oaks of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.
- (Isaiah 61:1-3)
- You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; You have loosed my sackcloth and girded me with gladness,
- (Psalms 30:11)

Change your outfit!

- Rom_13:14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to *its* lusts.
- 1Co_15:53 For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality.
- 2Co_5:3 inasmuch as we, having put it on, will not be found naked.
- Eph_4:24 and put on the new self, which in *the likeness of* God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.
- Eph_6:11 Put on the full armour of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil.
- Col_3:10 and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him--
- Col_3:12 So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience;
- Col_3:14 Beyond all these things *put on* love, which is the perfect bond of unity.