God Be Merciful to Me the Sinner December 4, 2022

1 John 5:13, "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life."

John 11:25-26, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"

Two key ways of relating to God:

- 1. Through law and through my goodness
- 2. Through grace and through God's righteousness in Christ

Romans 8:24-25, "Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!"

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A	2 Corinthians 5:21, "God made Jesus who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we
C	might become the righteousness of God in Christ."
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Colossians 2:10, "In Christ, you have been made complete."

Galatians 3:27, "All of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."

Galatians 2:20-21, "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me. I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness comes through the Law, then Christ died needlessly."

Matthew 6:33, "Seek first God's kingdom and His righteousness."

Luke 18:9-17, "Jesus also told this parable to some people who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and viewed others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood and was praying this to himself: 'God, I thank You that I am not like other people: swindlers, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I pay tithes of all that I get.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing some distance away, was even unwilling to lift up his eyes to heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, the sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."