

The New Creation
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I. Background of New Creation

- A. Only two possibilities (2 Cor. 5:17–18 [Gal. 6:15])
 - 1. In Christ
 - 2. Not in Christ
- B. Creation—an act of God

II. Pattern of Old Creation (Gen. 2:7)

- A. Adam created by the holy breath (Spirit) of God
- B. Three elements (compare 1 Thess. 5:23)
 - 1. Spirit—from above (God)
 - 2. Soul—union of spirit and body
 - 3. Body—from beneath (earth)
- C. Results of sin
 - 1. In Spirit: dead, cut off (Gen. 2:17; Eph. 2:1; 4:17–19)
 - 2. In soul: rebellion (Eph. 2:2–3 [Job 41])
 - 3. In body: corrupt (Eph. 4:22)

III. New Creation Enacted (John 20:19–22)

- A. Jesus breathed into the disciples
- B. Results of new birth:
 - 1. Spirit: Made alive (Col. 2:13)
 - 2. Soul: Reconciled (2 Cor. 5:18)
 - 3. Body: Receives divine life through the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:11)
- C. Passed from Old Testament to New Testament salvation (Rom. 10:9)
- D. Born to overcome: (1 John 5:4) Sin, death, hell, the grave and Satan
- E. Life that is: Divine, eternal, incorruptible, undefeatable, indestructible

IV. The Climax: The Resurrection (Phil. 3:8–13)

- A. Final transformation of the body (Phil. 3:20–21 [compare 1 John 3:1–3])
- B. Five specific changes
 - 1. Corruption to incorruption
 - 2. Dishonor to glory
 - 3. Weakness to power
 - 4. Soulish to spiritual
 - 5. Mortality to immortality
- C. Two questions:
 - 1. Have you experienced this new creation?
 - 2. Do you need to adjust your priorities?

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V. The Old Man and the New (Eph. 4:17–24)

- A. Old man: corrupt through lusts of deceit (Eph. 4:22 [compare Rev. 12:9])
- B. Mind transformed through Spirit of Truth (Eph. 4:23 [compare Rom. 12:2])
- C. New man: created in righteousness and holiness of truth (Eph. 4:24 [Col. 3:8–11])
- D. Solution for the old man: *execution*
 - 1. *Know* that you were executed (Rom. 6:6)
 - 2. *Reckon* yourself dead to sin (Rom. 6:11)
- E. The outworking is progressive (Col. 3:3–5 [compare Heb. 10:14])
- F. Death is the doorway to life (Gal. 2:19–20)

VI. Nature of the New Man

- A. Product of incorruptible word (1 Pet. 1:22–25) As the seed, so the product
- B. Does not, cannot sin (Whoever, 1 John 3:9)
- C. Cannot be defeated (Whatever, 1 John 5:4)
Recap: Divine, eternal, incorruptible, undefeatable, indestructible
- D. The end result: Christ reproduced in us (Col. 1:25–27)
- E. Predestined to be conformed to the image of Christ (Rom. 8:29)
- F. The goal for us and for those to whom we minister (Col. 1:28–29)

Application: Which nature is controlling you?

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