

"According as His Divine Power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto Life and Godliness, through the knowledge of Him that hath called us to Glory and virtue: Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the Divine Nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust." 2 Peter 1:3-4 KJV



The miraculous power of the indwelling Spirit of the Living God transforms believers from ground grubbing strutting turkeys to high flying soaring eagles. The indwelling Spirit is nothing less than God's Word in and directing your thought life. God dwells with your spirit in your eternal soul! This earth and all it contains is under the curse of

sin. *"Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the Last Trump: for the Trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and [believers] shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality."* We long for immortality of body that will only come with the return of our Lord Jesus Christ! God, through His Spirit, has granted us a type of early release. He has given us, through faith, the power to overcome the corruption of mortal flesh that is sold under sin. *"For whatsoever is born of God (your spirit) overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."* If we believe and obey God's Word, we will know the freedom of the spiritual realm here on earth. Impulse and desire need be our master no longer. *"For it is God which worketh in you (His Word in thought) both to will (think) and to do of His good pleasure."* By hiding God's Word in our heart/mind/soul, we can walk hand in hand with the Holy Spirit, through faith obeying the revealed Word of God. We can enjoy complete freedom of fellowship with our Father God and have Peace and Joy beyond human expression or comprehension! God's Peace will rule in our hearts, defying evil's chaos which surrounds us; superseding all sinful temptation, impulse, and desire; freeing us from the deadly chains that once condemned us to death! *"Be still! And KNOW that I AM God!"* Believers are free to obey righteousness and intimately commune with their Maker. Through fervent prayer and thought we can tap into the Power of the Almighty God! Transformed into a *"new creature"* in Christ through faith in God's Word, we are no longer under any power of sin. If we sin now, it's because we choose to sin. Obedience is the evidence of faith: Faith is the evidence of the unseen God! Before the Holy Spirit of Truth freed us, we had no choice but to go wherever the shackles of sin dragged us. Sin separates us from God. *"The wages (just reward) of sin is death."* Death is the absence of life. God *"is LIFE!"* Those who trust and obey God are no longer shackled, and free to *"mount up with wings like eagles and run and not be weary."* Jesus has "unshackled" us forever!

Free to soar the sky on high,
Free to spread our wings and fly,
Free to know sweet Beulah's Land,
Free to hold the nail-scarred hand. ~CGP

Through faith in Christ we can clean escape the corruption of this putrid decomposing world. We can climb to heights unknown to any but God! *“He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the Shadow of the Almighty. Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; there shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For He shall give His Angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.”* What is more secret than thought? Is not fellowship the meeting of minds over common interest? *“But if we walk in the Light (obey), as He is in the Light, we have fellowship (common interest) one with another, and the Blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.”* An eagle can only fly if it spreads its wings. Wings of faith, walking in the Light, obeying God’s Word can carry men skyward on the currents of God’s limitless Grace above the storm into the Son-light of Eternal Day! You do what you think! What do you think?

“That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might Grace reign through Righteousness (obedience to God’s Word) unto Eternal Life by Jesus Christ our Lord.” Romans 5:21 KJV

C. G. Palmer