

# Living that Leaves a Life-Giving Legacy

## REST ASSURED Part 2

**Galatians 2:20–21 (ESV)** *I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.*

**Main Thought:** Believers can **rest assured** that they are dead to sin and self, and alive in Christ.

### 1. Believer, rest assured you are dead to the self-centered “I”! “I have been crucified with Christ”

See John 5:24, Romans 6:3–7 and **2 Corinthians 5:17**  
Notice from God’s word a few specific truths about the fact of our death the self-centered “I”:

- A. Rest assured our death is **personal**: “I”
- B. Rest assured our death is **perfect**: “have been” past completed action with present finished results
- C. Rest assured our death is **passive**: action produced upon one from outside action, namely Christ’s
- D. Rest assured our death is **participatory**: “with Christ”  
Romans 15:18, 2 Corinthians 5:20, 2 Timothy 4:17

### Lessons for immediate application

- 1. Accept God’s gracious offer of REST for your souls
- 2. Stop trying to kill what is already dead
- 3. Cease and desist from trying to do God’s work

### 2. Believer, rest assured Christ is alive in you. “Christ who lives in me”

It is all about Jesus: READ John 14: Colossians 1:27, 1 Corinthians 3:16 Also He isn’t a dead Savior – READ Romans 6:8,

### 3. Believer, rest assured the faith life is your calling (Galatians 2:20b)

- A. The faith life is the life that begins after the self-centered “I” life: “The life I “
- B. The faith life is a daily , moment by moment physical and spiritual walk: “now live in the flesh “
- C. The faith life is rooted in absolute trust of Jesus Christ, the Son of God: “I live by faith in the Son of God:”
  - a. Trust based on Jesus love
  - b. Trust based on Jesus self-sacrificing substitutional death on the cross

### Lessons for immediate application

- 4. Know and reckon that Jesus lives in you, his child: How?
  - a. Increase truth intake
  - b. Personalize God’s promises (assurances)
  - c. Speak truth to yourself and others
  - d. Resist the devil’s lies

Prayer:

*Lord, I receive your gracious offer of rest for my soul, thank you. Orchestrate my daily time with you that I might stop trying to kill what is already dead and focus on the new life you purchased for me at Calvary. In Jesus name and by His power help me resist the lies of the evil one and claim your unfailing promises. Help me to live in your wonderful truth and speak it to others. I trust you and you alone for life, for hope and everything I need to live in your assured rest.*

*Resting in you God,  
Amen*