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Exodus 7:12

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“For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.” (2 Corinthians 5:21)

In Him! We were once full of sin – once spiritually dead to the things of God. But now! But now, we are found “in Him!” “For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.” (Colossians 3:3) We were once without a covenant, we were once without hope, and we were once without God and Christ in this world. (Ephesians 2:12) But now, we are found in Him!

While it may surprise you to know, it is not enough to merely have our sins forgiven. Unless something is radically done with our sinful nature, we will continually be finding that we must once and again, seek still, more and more forgiveness! The good news is that we have an escape from our old nature of sin. Jesus became sin for us. Jesus’ work was not just a superficial gesture, but He actually became sin for us that a genuine exchange might take place – our sin nature for His righteous nature! He took our defeat completely that we might enjoy His victory – completely!

“For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents, but Aaron’s rod swallowed up their rods.” Here we see this foreshadowing of the Lord’s complete deliverance in Christ’s swallowing death for us upon the cross of Calvary! Jesus, the Rod of God, becomes a “serpent” (a type or picture of sin) that He might swallow up, not only our sin, but our sinful nature as well. Not a partial deliverance, but a complete and final answer to the power of the sin nature! “...that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.”

“I am found in Christ. I am no longer under the power of the old nature, but rather, my life is hidden with Christ in God, and I now possess His righteousness! Thank You Lord Jesus for making a complete exchange of my sinfulness for Your righteousness!”

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