

Rivers of Living Water

The New Creation—Christ in the Believer

When the Holy Spirit begat in the believer a new nature He opened the door to a living, organic union between the Christian and Christ. Christ and the Christian are then eternally one. So what is it to be a Christian? It is to have the glorified Christ in us in actual presence and power.

"I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me; and that life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith which is in the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (Gal. 2:20, R.V.).

Christ Liveth in Me

Can you say it? Paul could. But note the order of his words. First, "I have been crucified with Christ," then "CHRIST liveth in me." The dethronement of self precedes and makes way for the enthronement of Christ.

To be a Christian is to have Christ the Life of our life in such a way and to such a degree that we can say with Paul, "To me to live is Christ." This means that Christ lives now in you in Hong Kong as truly as He ever lived in Capernaum or Cana. Does He do it?

To be a Christian means to have the divine seed which was planted in our innermost spirit