

INSTANTANEOUS ASSETS & DEVELOPED ASSETS

(2 Cor 5:17) Therefore if any man be in Christ, a new creature: the old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new

At the moment that we trust in Christ, the bible teaches that all things become new (2 Cor 5:17). The “All Things” Paul is discussing deals exclusively with the positional aspects of the Christian life & our abilities to live the spiritual life. What does not instantaneously become new is the content of our habituated ideas & beliefs that make up the automatic thinking (programming – ingrained habits of thinking by use) of the subconscious.

The first stages of the Christian life deal primarily with understanding our position in Christ, eternal security, all of the assets imputed to spiritual royalty & the basics of how to function as a priest & ambassador in the context of the Angelic Conflict. The latter stages of growth are centered on mature living based on intimacy with God, purifying the soul of even the subtlest falsehoods, to form a pure vessel to exemplify the Person of Jesus Christ.

Analogy: Nation Israel was born through Abraham, Isaac & Jacob; foundation formed through Joseph; foundation was hardened by their time of slavery in Egypt; they were oriented to walking with God daily by their privation in the desert in the initial desert phase. God gave them the Mosaic Law and brought them to the Promised Land, supposedly ready fight the spiritual fight. To take the Land, analogous to purifying the heart required they simply go there to watch God do the work.

- **Positional Assets** given instantaneously at salvation and are permanent
- **Practical Capacities** given at salvation & developed over time
- **Practical Content** developed through transformation; new birth - death

1. Positional Assets – [50 things given at salvation](#) - sharing the position of Christ

All that we are given in keeping with our identity in Christ – priesthood & Ambassadorship

All that we are given that enables us to fulfill our priesthood – vertical relating to God

All the we are given that enables us to fulfill our relating as Ambassadors – horizontal relating to man

- Judicial Condemnation in Adam
- Royal Family Privileges
- Communion with God
- Indwelling & ministry of God, The Holy Spirit (GHS)

2. All things become new

- Identity – who we are in Christ is who we truly are now
Eph 2:19 – no longer foreigners & aliens but fellow citizens & members of the Royal Family
- Legality - no longer under the charges of Adam’s Original Sin (AOS) – free from condemnation in Christ.
Rom 8:1 – no longer any condemnation in Christ – all sins forgiven
- Status – removed from kingdom of Darkness & transferred into kingdom of the Beloved Son
Col 1:13 – transferred into the Kingdom of the Beloved Son

3. Practical Capacities – regeneration: made alive and able to understand God’s plan

- 1Cor 2:14-15 the natural man (without GHS) cannot understand spiritual ideas – foolishness
Vs 15 – man with the Spirit – able to discern the mind of Christ & obey the will of God
- Heb 5:14 – human faculties (mind/heart - eyes of your heart – inner dialogue) exercised by hearing, understanding & using your human faculties empowered by GHS to live victoriously in Angelic Conflict.

4. Practical Content of the Heart – habituated & stored beliefs in the heart

- Old Man (OM) belief system – only thing that is not new – old beliefs brought into the Christian life

Rom 6:6 – our old man was crucified with Christ (put to death) so that we could remove the continued influence of these beliefs on our motives in our daily life

- knowing – ginosko P.A.Ptc – learning & knowing is the foundation of all Christian living
 - crucified – sustauroomai – A.P.I – put to death along with Jesus on the cross
 - body of sin; Rom 7:24 body of death – old way of thinking dominating the heart
 - destroyed – katargeo – A.P.Sub – hina + subj = future probability
- a. Our old ideas & beliefs are not removed from us at the point of salvation
 - b. We bring our previously developed beliefs into the Christian Way of Life (CWL) as part of the spiritual struggle
 - c. Our positional blessings & capacities have equipped us to fight/win in spiritual warfare
 - d. We fight the devil/world outside of our souls and Old Man (OM) beliefs on the inside
 - e. Habituation = automatic thinking = dominance over the heart (subconscious)
 - f. Our old habituated ideas/beliefs that we formed under the influence of the world outside of us and the OSN on the inside of us remain the dominant way of thinking in our daily life.
 - g. Every believer’s spiritual path for growth includes rejecting any further influence from the world & then breaking the power of the layers of habituated ideas already residing in the heart.
 - h. Choosing to follow GHS or your OSN does not play out on a level playing field
 - OM beliefs are already programmed into the heart
 - already habituated and formed into automatic thinking – buttons to push
 - Our OM patterns are already our default way of thinking & choosing to deal with life.
 - OM beliefs reside in the heart, below the level of conscious awareness (subconscious), having already been formed into patterns & habits to the point where they are automated and our default way of thinking about any issue in life.
 - We must have the power of GHS to even begin to think we might break these old patterns and choose the will of God.
 - True transformation is far more than just learning truth & knowing it for use at the proper time, we must first break the old patterns, remove the old beliefs & then install the new idea as a belief to be used to the point of habituation so that BD becomes the automatic thinking in the soul.