

A State of No Known Sin

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Andrew Strom's sermon emphasizes the possibility and necessity of living in a state of no known sin through justification by faith in Christ.

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Description

In this sermon, the speaker laments the lack of true Christianity being preached in churches today. He emphasizes the importance of understanding how to overcome sin, obtain a clean conscience, and walk in the new creation life. The speaker recommends reading Romans chapters 5, 6, 7, and 8 as a guide to understanding these principles. He also mentions a book by Watchman Knee called 'The Normal Christian Life' that delves into these chapters. The speaker emphasizes the need for genuine salvation and baptism, and criticizes the practice of simply repeating a prayer without true repentance and faith.

Transcript

Okay, I just want to start by quoting Charles Finney. On the day of his conversion, he's writing about, he's writing about an experience which a lot of people seem to believe is impossible or certainly it's a rarity and they would just say, oh, Charles Finney was just, you know, that was like the first bloom of his Christianity and it was a special moment and all this kind of thing because a lot of people that I've spoken to, a lot of emails we've sent out about this, it seems that people, they either don't believe it's possible or they believe that it's, I don't know, some kind of freaky, high-blown Christianity, the deeper Christian life and all that kind of thing. My view is it's just normal Christianity, but let's quote Charles Finney.

He's talking about the day of his conversion. He says, in this state, I was taught justification by faith as a present experience. Justification by faith.

Okay, well, that's what we're all supposed to have. That's the basics of Christianity right there. Justification by faith.

I could not feel a sense of guilt or condemnation by any effort I could make. My sense of guilt was gone, my sins were gone, and I do not think I felt any more sense of guilt than if I never had sinned. I felt myself justified by faith, and so far as I could see, I was in a state in which I did not sin.

I'll repeat that last sentence again. I felt myself justified by faith, and so far as I could see, I was in a state in which I did not sin. That's a pretty radical concept right there.

Felt that I was in a state in which I did not sin. Felt that I was justified by faith. What does that word justified mean? It means made right with God, justified with God.

Justified before God means made right with God. So if we're made right with God by faith, if we're made right with God by our faith, suddenly Charles Finney had this faith that made him sense that he wasn't, made him not conscious of any sin in his life, made him not conscious that he was sinning anymore, made him conscious of a present state of being in which he felt that he did not sin. Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

And the reason people will say this kind of thing is either impossible or they'll call it all kinds of deep names, etc., is because most Christians don't experience anything like this. Most people, especially in the modern church, of course, I believe we have a vast, vast number of completely unconverted people, including the ones who go forward at the altar call and ask Jesus into their heart. Of course, none of that's actually in the Bible, so we've got a few problems there if we're relying on that for our salvation.

Ask Jesus into your heart doesn't exist in Scripture. So, you know, the thing that strikes me about this, the thing that strikes me about this is that his sense of guilt was gone, his sins were gone, and he's in another state of being. It's like he's become a new creation, he's become a new creature that doesn't sense sin, that is not conscious of present sin in his life.

It's like walking in a completely new state. You see, my belief about the new creation is this, is that the new creation has a different nature. It doesn't have the old nature that enjoys sin.

The new creation hates sin. The new creation doesn't live in it. The new creation doesn't want to walk in it and doesn't.

My sense of guilt was gone, my sins were gone. I do not think I felt any more sense of guilt than if I never had sinned. I felt myself justified by faith.

And so far as I could see, I was in a state in which I did not sin. What are we told to do by most of the church today? We're told that basically we have to keep short accounts with God. Why do we keep short accounts with God? Because we're conscious that we're continually sinning.

If I'm sinning all the time, then I have to go repent every half an hour because I'm so conscious of sin in my life, I'm so conscious of every little stumbling that I do. I'm not conscious really of faith. I'm not living in faith.

I'm living in a consciousness of sin. What do John the Baptist disciples have to do? They have to continually repent. Why? Because they don't get the new creation.

They don't become new creatures. That's before the new covenant begins. So I can understand John the Baptist disciples.

You know, he preached repentance, got rid of people's sins. But they'd have to keep repenting to keep clean, right? John the Baptist disciples have to keep repenting to keep clean. But what does the new creation guy have to do? What does a true New Testament believer have to do? Do we have to keep

repenting every half an hour because our sins are piling up all the time, we're always conscious of them? My view is that's the opposite of faith.

If I'm trusting Jesus, if I have been given a white robe by Jesus and I'm just walking in normal Christianity, surely it means this, surely when I'm quoting that scripture, basic Romans chapter 5 scripture, what is it? Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with our Lord Jesus Christ. He's not saying, therefore being justified by the fact that you repent every half hour, you have peace with God.

That's not it. What is Romans 5, 6, 7 and 8 about? If I recall correctly, I'm trying to remember one instance where the word repent is even mentioned in those whole chapters. What's Paul talking about? He's talking about a state of being where we have died and where we walk in a resurrection state with Jesus.

So is it possible to walk in white robes of righteousness like Charles Finney did here? Is it normal? Is it possible? Is it something that should be basically attained by every person who calls himself a believer where they literally expect to come into a state where they have no knowledge of present sin, hour by hour, day by day, week by week, month by month and they simply walk in that state. Is that possible? Is that attainable? Is that normal? I want to put it to you, it's utterly normal. When you start studying the scriptures about what a new creation is, what does it talk about? It's no longer I that live, it's Christ that lives in me.

No longer I that live, but Christ that lives in me. It talks about a brand new creation. The old things have passed away.

Behold, all things have become new. So what does that new creation person that's inside of me live like? What's their understanding of things? Don't they live, don't they walk as Adam walked? Isn't that the whole point? What was Adam's state before God? Didn't Jesus die to purchase all of that back for us? You know, we haven't got a transformed body yet. We're not walking in a resurrection body.

We're still stuck with this thing that is fallen. We're stuck with our fallen body. But inside of here, if I'm completely regenerated, what does that word regenerated mean? It means completely replaced.

The inside of me is replaced. The part that God looks at, my heart, my spirit, I'm regenerated. I'm made again.

I'm started again. I'm remade. Now I want to put it to you that that person that's inside of there lives in the exact place that Adam walked in before God.

Adam walked with God every evening in the cool of the evening. He had a communion with God like that. He had no consciousness of sin in his life.

In fact, if you'd walked up to Adam and said, Adam, what is sin? He wouldn't have been able to tell you. Although there was one commandment given to him, and he knew if he broke that, everything would change. He was told, do not eat of that tree.

That was the one thing he knew, but he still wouldn't have known what sin was. What was the fruit that he partook of? What was the tree he partook of? It was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. It was only when he partook of that tree that he knew what good was and what evil was.

Up until then, he was completely innocent. Up until then, he was completely innocent. So, can we get back to that place before God where we're not even conscious of sin, where we don't even judge ourselves by the small stumblings that this thing does, and we just walk in a place before God where we're not conscious of any sin at all on our hearts or our conscience? Simple answer, of course, is yes.

What does this scripture mean? When it's Romans chapter 8, verse 1 and 2. Therefore, no. There is now, therefore, no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.

What does that mean? Well, it means I don't have to live and walk in any kind of condemnation. I don't have to walk with a sin consciousness anymore. I don't have to walk that way.

I don't have to repent every half hour. If something serious comes up, where I'm suddenly aware, hey, there's a spot has appeared on that white robe. Yes, I have to go deal with that.

That's a sin before God. That's a spot that's in the way. I'll go and repent of that.

But day by day, hour by hour, week by week, how often does that happen? Well, hardly ever. Because I'm walking in faith. Therefore being justified by faith, I have peace with God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

There is no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. Do I have to sin? No.

The new creation hates sin. Loathes it. Doesn't want to walk in it.

Wants above all things to die utterly to sin and to live for Christ. Loves righteousness. Loves what is good.

Hates what is evil. The new creation is like that. How can you tell if you're a new creature in God? That's the person that now indwells.

This is the new you that we're talking about. If that's not you, I want to say, you are not regenerated. You are not born again.

You are not born from above. You do not walk in Christ. You are not a Christian.

If you do not have the new man reborn inside of you, if it's still you that liveth and not Christ, you ain't no Christian. You can go to church. You can pray the little prayer.

You can go up the front at the altar call. You can get baptized in water. I want to say to you, you're no Christian at all.

There's only one kind of Christianity described in the Bible. Let's look at another example of it. Turn with me to 1 John 3, please.

1 John 3. This is describing the inner life of a truly born-again person. John Wesley preached a sermon on this passage and he called it marks of the new birth. Marks of the new birth.

Saying basically, if you do not have these marks in your life, you are not born again, no matter what you think you've done. 1 John 3. One of the most hair-raising sermons you can ever read, actually, by John Wesley. Because this is a hair-raising passage.

1 John 3. Verse 5. And you know that he was manifested to take away our sins, and in him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not. Whosoever sins has not seen him, neither known him.

Little children, let no man deceive you. He that does righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. He that committeth sin is of the devil, for the devil sins from the beginning.

For this purpose, the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. Whosoever is born of God does not commit sin. Some versions have, does not continue to sin, in some of these places.

For his seed remains in him, and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. Pretty frightening scriptures, when we think that, for the very large part, most of the modern church thinks it's fine. They think they're under grace, and therefore they can go out and pretty much sin as much as they like.

And here it's saying that those who are found in Christ Jesus, truly found in him, do not continue to sin. They cannot, that's an interesting point, they cannot continue to sin. Those who abide in Christ cannot continue to sin.

Why? Because those two things are mutually incompatible with one another. The true Son of God, those who are truly Christ's, cannot walk in sin. If they walk in sin, they're proving they're not truly a born-again person.

They are proving it. Why? Because a truly born-again person hates sin. A truly born-again person cannot stand to lose that communion with God.

A truly born-again person doesn't have to be told every day a little list of commandments to keep them safe from sin. They already hate sin. If you could show them any sin, they'd get rid of it in an instant.

If they suddenly learn that all these years they've been proud without knowing it, they'll repent on the spot. If you could suddenly prove to them that they've had a problem in this area for years and they didn't see it, bam, they want to repent. That's a true Son of God.

You can tell the people who are not born again because while they're repenting on the one hand, they've got their fingers basically crossed behind them knowing full well that there's a part of them that wants to hang on to some sin. That's not a born-again person. There's nowhere in Scripture that says that's okay.

Is it possible to be a Christian and have sin on our conscience? No, it's not possible. Why is it not possible? Because the very sin that's on our conscience before God, God's looking right at it and you can't even be in communion with God with that there. Who does God live with for eternity? Does He live with people with spots all over their robe? No, He casts them into hell.

There's no people going to make it into God's kingdom and live with Him forever. You've got to remember, this is all from God's point of view. The reason He sent His Son is so that He can stand to live with us.

The state we were in, He couldn't stand to live with any of us. We couldn't live with Him. There was no way He could put up with us for eternity in His presence.

He's not going to bring us up to heaven and have us live for eternity with Him with our spots covering our robe, with us allowing and partaking in sin. If you have a conscience that's defiled, God's not going to listen to your prayers. God doesn't live with you.

God does not commune with you. You're not in that state that Adam was in. There's no such thing as a halfway Christianity.

There's no such thing as praying the little prayer and trying to be good and trying to be a good person. It's unacceptable. It's not Christianity.

It doesn't exist. God says you're either a new creation and you walk in that. You walk in that place before God or you're gone.

Jesus died a horrific death to gain for us this place, to gain for us this life, to gain for us this new creation life. And He will not accept anything less than that. You're either born of the Spirit of God or you're not.

You're either abiding in Him or you ain't. Jesus came to take away our sins, not just to forgive them, but to take them away. He came to give us a white robe and anyone, as the parables clearly say, anybody found on the wedding day lacking the white robe will not make it into the kingdom of God.

They'll be asked, how did you get in here, man? How did you get in here? Did you come in by another door? There's only one door that's acceptable. You don't get in here with another door, pal. We've got angels standing over there with swords.

They're going to cut you to pieces and apportion you your place with the hypocrites where there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Why is God so severe on this? Well, it's very simple. It's because He couldn't have paid a higher price.

He paid the highest price that was possible for Him to pay. He watched His Son go through the worst agony possible to gain for us, to gain for us, that didn't deserve it, that we're His enemies, to gain for us a place where we walk before Him with no knowledge of present sin. To gain for us a place where we walk before Him with no knowledge of present sin.

So, do you walk in that place? Is 1 John 3 true of you? We know that He was manifested to take away our sins and in Him is no sin. Whosoever abides in Him does not sin. Whosoever sins has not seen Him, neither known Him.

Little children, let no man deceive you. He that does righteousness is righteous. Verse 8, He that commits sin is of the devil, for the devil sins from the beginning.

For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. Whosoever is born of God does not commit sin, for His seed remains in him and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. So, we have this kind of dichotomy out there.

We have a pretty varied opinion as far as who's going to make it into heaven when they die. We have a whole range of opinion. We have guys, literally these days, that say if you put your hand up in one of these church meetings, you just raise your hand like this and maybe repeat a few lines of a little prayer asking Jesus into your heart, you're automatically gaining the kingdom.

The kingdom is all yours. It doesn't matter what you do. And then we have these scriptures and the preaching of John Wesley and virtually every revivalist in history who preached pretty much all this kind of stuff day and night, saying, I'm sorry, but that's not what we see in the Bible.

We see that New Testament Christianity is not that cheap. It's not that cheap. It's simple and it's free, but it's not so cheap that it allows you to walk in sin and to have stuff on your conscience.

Now, let me put this in more practical terms because we need to close it out here. The very purpose of Christianity and the way that you know that you live in it is pretty simple. The Bible talks about having a conscience sprinkled, pure and clean.

In Hebrews, it talks about this. Having a conscience, conscience sprinkled. It says in 1 Peter 3, it says that salvation is the answer of a good conscience towards God.

So the basic sense of Christianity and what we're talking about here, a lot of it boils down to this, is getting a clean conscience and walking in a state where it is kept clean. Getting a clean conscience, that's the act of salvation itself. And what's happening when we repent, we get baptized, we get filled with the Holy Spirit, that's day one Christianity in the Bible.

Everywhere they went, everywhere the apostles went, everywhere the evangelists went in the book of Acts, they would tell people, repent, get baptized in water, get filled with the Holy Spirit. That was day one. That all happened on the first day.

If we haven't got that happening in our lives, if we're not getting that done to people, when we meet them, we're not getting them into New Testament Christianity. They're a subnormal person. They're not going to survive.

They're not going to make it into the kingdom. They're not going to live in the kingdom. There's no way they can do it.

I was 17 when I got filled with the Holy Spirit. For the first time I could walk in Christianity. I tried for years.

I was suicidal for four years prior to that. I wanted to kill myself every day. And I'd go home at night, and I'd try and ask Jesus into my heart, thinking that that was the way you get God in your life, and that you become a Christian, and surely something was going to change.

Well, nothing changed. And I got filled with the Holy Spirit in spoken tongues, and got filled with the glory of God when I was 17 years old. Suddenly I was transformed.

Suddenly I could walk in this. Is it any effort? It's no effort. The Bible says it's the gift of God.

You cannot buy it. You cannot earn it. We're not saved by works.

We're saved by grace. Is there a judgment of works? Sure. Absolutely.

That's what Joseph was just preaching about an hour ago. But this is the justification by faith that we're talking about here. Okay, so suddenly I was filled with the Holy Spirit, and I could walk in this.

When you look through the book of Acts, do we see anybody getting saved by praying the little prayer? Repeat this prayer after me. They should just add, you stupid person, you stupid, gullible idiot. Repeat this prayer after me, and I'll give you false assurance of salvation, and you can go off to hell.

How does that sound? Repeat the little prayer. Come on, let's repeat the little. Dear Jesus, dear Jesus, I invite, I open the door of my, you know, I don't know, whatever you want to put in there.

Let's put our own cheesy little garbage in there, shall we? I'm pretty unhappy about it, because it just about killed me. I just about died. I was this close.

I wanted to kill myself every day. So it means a lot to me that it's just a load of junk. It was kind of years later that I managed to do a Bible study and found out there's no mention of it in the whole New Testament.

There's no example of a guy doing it. We think all the way through the book of Acts. You know, you do a quick scan of the book of Acts.

Do we find anybody praying the little prayer? Find anybody making a decision for Christ, you know? Are they handing out decision cards? Here you go, guys. Become Christians. Sign your name here.

We'll send you a follow-up pack, shall we? See, we don't even know the first thing about the Bible. We have no clue. I want to put it to you.

There's no more important issue than getting someone saved right. No more important issue than that. We get someone saved wrong all the time.

They ain't saved at all. They're like me, stumbling around in the darkness with no answers, desperate for a touch from God, not knowing where to go. Most of the world's like that.

What are we doing for them? We're doing nothing. Feeding them lies. Sending them to churches without the glory of God.

Sending them to churches where the Holy Spirit is virtually absent. Not getting them filled with the Spirit. Not getting them even baptized on the first day.

What do we do now? Well, we baptize people in fountains. We baptize people in bathtubs. We baptize people in rivers.

Why does that sound familiar? Because that's what they did in the Bible. Here is water, says the Ethiopian guy. Philip says, great.

Let's get you baptized, man. You know? The jailer comes out after the angels just broken the whole prison open for Paul. What happens? The jailer and his whole family get baptized in the middle of the night.

Why are they getting baptized in the middle of the night? Because it's important. Because they always did that. Because there's not one time in the whole of Scripture where they didn't get them baptized straight away.

It was always done immediately. Always. Are we making disciples? Are we getting people saved when we go around the world preaching the little prayer stuff? No, we're not making disciples.

We're not obeying Jesus. He said go into all the world making disciples of all nations, baptizing them. Didn't he say that? We don't baptize them.

Are we making disciples? No, we're not making disciples. We don't even bother baptizing them, let alone get them filled with the Holy Spirit. Look through the book of Acts sometime.

Do a search in a concordance and see whether or not they got them to repent and get baptized and get filled with the Holy Spirit straight away. You'll find every time that's what was happening. It's all the way through Acts from the very beginning to the end.

It happened in Paul. It happened with Paul. It happened with all of them.

I'm not going to go through those scriptures right now but I just want to put it in there. So once we get day one Christianity out of the road, once we get them repenting, filled with the Spirit, baptized in water, then they need to walk in this. They need to walk with a conscience that's totally clean.

It's not rocket science. It's not difficult. The new creation walks in this virtually automatically.

You've got to fall away from that state in order to soil all of this, in order to defile all of this. This is the gift of God to us. He's basically saying, listen, I'm going to give you the gift of clean hands and a pure heart.

You come to me, my way, and get yourself saved the Bible way and you're going to have clean hands and a pure heart. You're going to be filled with the power of God and it's going to be up to you to see whether you can simply by faith walk in that. And walking, I don't know about you, but these days I don't have trouble getting up in the morning and walking.

I just get up in the morning. I don't have to think about it. I just, you know, get out of bed and start to walk.

Now, walking in the spirit for a newborn, for a new creation person is exactly as easy as that. Do I have to concentrate hard and think about it and go, wow, am I going to walk in the spirit today or am I not? I've got to worry about it. No, I don't worry about it.

I walk in the spirit every day. I walk in the spirit by my new nature, the new nature that God's given to me. Is the old nature still stuck to me? Sadly, yes.

In heaven it won't be so. In heaven I'll be all new nature. Did you know that? All new nature in heaven.

I'm stuck with this thing right now. We're supposed to count ourselves dead to it. It says Romans chapter 6. We're supposed to count ourselves dead to it.

So here we are walking in the spirit every day. Are we conscious of present sin in our lives? No. If you're conscious of present sin in your lives, God is conscious of it and his communion with you is broken.

How can you enter the throne room of God in prayer while you have acknowledged sin in your life? You can't. Repent of that sin, get a clean conscience, and walk in the clean conscience. How do you stop yourself from defiling that conscience that will be getting spots on it every few moments? You keep your mind on the things of the spirit.

You're led by the Holy Spirit. You're conscious of that far more than you are of this. Conscious of the things of the spirit, I walk in the spirit.

I walk in faith. I walk in a trust in the righteousness of Christ given to me free of charge, not in my own righteousness. I'm not relying on my works and my righteousness to make me clean before God.

I'm relying on the righteousness that has been given to me, and I walk in that by faith, and that's Christianity. The saddest thing of all in our world today is that in any church you go into, Christianity itself

is not preached. We are not told how to get rid of our sins.

We're not told how to get the power to have victory over sin. We're not told how to get a clean conscience or how to walk in it. And I want to say to you, for a new creation, a true new creation, those things are as simple as A-B-C.

Seriously. They're all in there. Read Romans chapter 5, 6, 7, and 8. It's full of it.

It is the new creation life. It is basic New Testament Christianity. Watchman Nee wrote a book about those chapters called *The Normal Christian Life*.

The Normal Christian Life. I believe it. I live in it.

I walk in it. I've been a Christian 23, 24 years. God gave it to me at the very beginning, and I walk in it.

I don't think about it. I don't get up out of bed going, oh man, I better, oh gosh, it's so difficult. Mm-mm.

If it was that way, it would be me, wouldn't it? If I was keeping myself clean, it would be me, wouldn't it? I walk by the faith of Jesus. I walk by faith. Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

Not of myself, not of ourselves, lest any man boast. Not of ourselves, lest any man boast. I repeat Romans 8 verse 1 and 2 again to you in this context, because it's my most favorite scripture, I would say.

There is therefore now no condemnation. What's condemnation? It's a sense of sin. Sense of walking in sin.

That's what condemnation is. There is therefore now no condemnation. To them that walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit.

For the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. You free or not? You alive in Christ or not? You a new creation or not? You born from above or not? You abiding in Christ or not? You living by faith or not? You washed in the blood of the Lamb? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb? Are your garments spotless? Are they white as snow? That's what the Old Hymn says. Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb? Are your garments spotless? Are they white as snow? Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb? In every revival they sing about these things because they suddenly become a reality to them.

They make up songs like, Are you washed in the blood? Are your garments spotless? Are they white as snow? Why do they make up songs like that in revival times? Because suddenly they understand the gospel. Suddenly they understand the gospel. And those things become a reality to them.

Why do we not make up songs like that today? Because the gospel is not a reality to us. Because nobody preaches it. Because we don't have John Wesley's to tell us it.

When that gospel returns we will have such a revival. Every revival includes or is basically birthed by a return of a revival gospel. Which is what I'm preaching to you guys tonight.

It's the return of the gospel. All Wesley was, all Finney was, all Whitfield was, all Edwards was, all these guys were. They were preachers of the true gospel.

I've just been preaching it to you tonight. The only problem is you can't go to any church just about in the whole country to hear it. You can only read about it in books that were 200 or 300 years old.

That's how far slidden we are. Right, how do we respond to this? Listen, if you're filled with the Holy Spirit, if you are a Christian here tonight, if you're someone who has had that day one experience, this thing is already available to you. You can have it literally by, you only have to do two things.

The first one is this. Get rid of any spots on your conscience. Do it today.

If you are regarding sin, unforgiveness towards anybody, anything, lusts, petty lies, things you've said which were not true, blah, blah, blah, gossip, slandering people, whatever it is. Go to God and say, God, God, I repent. I'm so sorry.

Cleanse me now, God. I turn away from that sin. You might need to go to someone and say sorry to them.

It's quite often people think they've only got to apologize to God. There are quite numerous times when you need to go to a person and apologize to that person. Don't be unwilling to do it.

Your conscience before God is worth it. The most precious prize before God, seriously, the most precious prize before God is a clean conscience. I would seriously pay a million dollars.

If I had one million dollars in the bank account and I had a choice between a defiled conscience before God and a clean one, and I had to get rid of the million, I would do it. You can't put a price on it. Clean conscience before God is what it's all about.

That's what the Christian life is. You get a clean conscience. The second thing is simply reach out to God for the faith to live in that, to walk in that clean conscience, to rely on the righteousness of Jesus, to walk in those white robes and rely on Jesus' righteousness to keep you clean and keep you conscious of being clean.

Keep you conscious of being clean. Will there be times when you stumble and fall to a degree that, oh, you go, oh, man, I shouldn't have said that, or I've done, you know, yes, there are moments like that where you have to go away and repent of things. But your ordinary everyday walk is not like that.

Your ordinary everyday walk is a walk literally in the purity of God. You are walking in the purity of Jesus. You are walking in Him, in Him, not in yourself.

Amen? All right, what I'm going to do, let's all stand together. I'm going to pray for those two things. I'm going to pray that if there's anything on your conscience tonight that you would repent of it and that Jesus would totally wash you and cleanse you of it.

You'd be washed by the blood of Jesus. The second thing I'm going to pray for is that God pours out His Spirit upon us that we come into an understanding of how to walk in this every day without any effort. No effort, but just walk in it.

So those are the two things I want to pray for. If you're agreeing with me in this prayer, I want you to raise your hands to heaven, to God right now, because we're going to be praying to Him. This is His work, not mine.

Father God, I pray for every single person that is raising their hands to You right now in this room, Father God. First of all, we fully surrender to You, God. We surrender every part of ourselves.

We hold nothing back, anything we've held back. We repent of that, God. Any little thing that we've been holding on to, that we've thought, oh no, that's harmless, God doesn't mind that.

God, we give ourselves without reserve to You, God. We hold nothing back. And God, if there's something on our conscience, if there's some spot or even more than one, Father God, that is on our conscience right now, God, God, wash us clean.

God, flood down upon us, Father, with the cleansing power of the blood of Jesus Christ, wash us utterly clean as we confess this to You. And we may even make up our mind at this moment to go and speak to a person and say sorry to them about something. Whatever it is, God, cleanse us now, God, we pray.

Cleanse us, God, make our robes white, white in the blood of Jesus, white. Let us have those white robes that You gave to us. And lastly, Father God, we pray, God, I pray there's an outpouring of Your Spirit and an infusing into us the faith, the faith to walk in this place before You, a place of no knowledge of present sin, as a state of being, not something we wander in and out of, not something that's like a yo-yo where we're always up and down, always up and down.

God, we pray for a steady walk in You where we're not conscious of any sin and we go for hours and days and weeks like that. We're just conscious of walking with You in communion with You, God, because You make us righteous by the blood of Jesus, not by our own efforts, but by the blood of Jesus. We are righteous and clean before You, God.

Holy God, let us walk in that place, in that state of being. God, help us infuse it into us tonight and let us live there and walk there, oh God, we pray. Holy King, glorious God, mighty God, we pray these things in the glorious name of Jesus Christ, pour out Your Spirit upon us and make it so, Father, by the blood of Jesus.

Holy God, in Jesus' name, Amen.

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