

Life in Christ

A Bible Study Series

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. John 10:10

“Go, stand in the temple courts,” he said, “and tell the people all about this new life.” Acts 5:2

By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. 1 Cor. 15:2

Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matt. 28: 18-20

Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Acts 2:38

Introduction to the “Life in Christ” Study Series:

The Antelope Valley Church (AV REACH) seeks to honor and love God by holding to his Word and following Jesus with all of our hearts. Whereas the world and its principles bring spiritual death (Eph. 2: 1-3), we believe that Jesus’ teachings, his Lordship, and his death-burial-resurrection bring true spiritual life to us individually and as a spiritual community. In Acts 20:5 an angel told the apostles, “Go, stand in the temple courts,” he said, “and tell the people all about this new life.” Jesus came to bring new life, life to the full (John 10:10). We pray that a thorough and careful study of these scriptures together, combined with an open heart, will lead you to a powerful spiritual encounter with Christ and the new life he came to bring us all. This study series is designed to:

A) Unify the local church in the powerful spiritual life Christ came to bring us individually and collectively.

B) Help those seeking God to encounter Christ, his salvation, and spiritual life within the local church body.

C) Help believers seeking membership in our congregation to understand our approach to the life and doctrine of Christ (1 Tim. 4:16) in our individual lives and within the local body of Christ. This study series represents our best understanding of the fundamentals of the life in Christ presented in the scriptures. Lord willing we will reach unity in the fundamentals of the faith through these studies.

We trust this journey will be a thrilling one, spiritually speaking. The goal of this study is a vigorous presentation of the gospel message, with its fullness of grace and truth, and the application of the gospel to our daily lives in Christ. Our hearts are moved, comforted, convicted, inspired, challenged, encouraged, and set free by the Word of God. Thank you for opening your heart and your life with us as we examine the scriptures together (Acts 17:10-12). May God bless your quest to experience the full life in Christ that he has planned for each of us. Please let us know how we may support you in your spiritual journey as you participate in this study series.

Blessings,

The Antelope Valley Church Leadership Team

Note to Bible study facilitator. All Scriptures in **bold font** are part of the personal Bible study. All Scriptures in *italics* are for reference purposes. They are helpful to look up to strengthen convictions on that particular point, and when reviewing the study afterwards.

