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"New Creation and the Cross" Randy Nusbaum

Turn with me to 2 Samuel chapter 8. Oh, by the way, I had a good trip to Nicaragua and Costa Rica. The Lord was good. It was real good. Great trip, but I want to get in the word.

As I was sitting there I knew what the Lord wanted me to share this morning, but as I was sitting on my bed eating breakfast and just thinking the Lord just kind of gave me some things. I do not know if I can say it any better than he gave it. But last time I shared, I shared on Jehosaphat. I shared on reliance upon the Lord. How many of you kind of remember that, raise your hand. So we have a fair amount of people. Reliance upon the Lord, and I would like to continue that theme using David. I want to talk about reliance upon the Lord. But I do not want to talk about it as a doctrine. Because if we do, it will not be right and the Lord will bomb us. There will be sound effects through out the whole service. It is a new thing the Lord gave me when I was in Nicaragua, the advantage of sound effects would be, would help to make my points a lot better.

But I do not want to talk about reliance as a doctrine or a teaching. I want to talk about it the way it is in the kingdom of God. The way that it really is. Not as a subject perse, that you learn. But as something that is the way that God is, and it is also the way of the Kingdom of God. And so if I am talking about the way God is or the way I am talking about the Kingdom of God. Then it is not reliance having to do perse with anything of this life, but what was from the beginning. The way God was from the beginning. For example: Jesus was always the son of God. And his relationship with the Father did not change when he came to earth, he lived out that relationship and he said the words that I do are not my own, they are the Fathers. This was an example, of helping us understand reliance in a whole other way. I am talking about what was before sin. Before failure. Before guilt. Before need. Before problems. Because most of the time when we understand reliance upon the Lord or we talk about trusting in the Lord or relying upon him. It is usually an answer to a problem. The problem has actually brought up the subject of reliance. Whereas in the Kingdom of God it was before there was an understanding between God within who God is. Father, son, and holy spirit of a reliance that was God if you will. It is the way God is. It is not precipitated by circumstantial evidences that take place in our lives. It is the kingdom of God. It is not the Kingdoms of this world and a subject that we pull from the Kingdom of God into this world and apply it in specific circumstantial linear situations that arise in our lives as we live it, and move and have our being in this world. But rather it is living in the Kingdom of God. It is being governed by the laws of God. It is being governed by the way, the truth, and the life, which is Christ. It is nothing short of Jesus Christ. It is nothing short of Christ in you the hope of glory. It is nothing short of, to the heart of the father that Christ may be all, not just all to

us, but in all. That in all things, according to the father's heart, that in all things he might have the preeminence.

Folks we can sit here and listen to that and we can walk right out of here and every minute of everything we live is based on us and our concepts and our feelings and our circumstances. We can hear a sermon about reliance and get nothing more out of it than I need to learn to rely on the Lord more and that is not at all what I am saying. And I believe, I believe with my heart that that is not what God is saying, nor is it ever what he would want to communicate regardless of how much we pull down the truth and just reduce it down to some little nugget that we can stick in our pocket and go apply to our lives. What he wants to do is not give us things to apply to our lives. What he wants to do is to be our life. That is what he wants to be. I am crucified with Christ never the less I live. Christ in you the hope of glory. To me to live is Christ, not for, not on. Same principles in a sense. It is principles, but it is principles of his life. It is principles of the kingdom, but it is not just principles. It is not just like math principles. It is the principles of the Lord, or the way the Lord is. It is based on. It is just this wonderful, wonderful, reality that you and I are new creations. No I am not just talking about the name of the church. But how much more, we who are new creations who are also named after that.

The new creation is a term only applied to resurrection. You can not apply it anywhere else. It is applied to resurrection and how many of us do not understand the resurrection of Jesus. We understood that there was Jesus the man. We understood that somebody did something to him that killed him. We understood that we put him in a tomb. We understood that in three days he got up out of the tomb, and that is what we call resurrection. But that is not resurrection. That is a historical fact that happened. But that is not the resurrection of Jesus where he talks about that I may know him in the power of his resurrection. That is not it, that is not it. You can know that all day long. Sinners know that Jesus went into a tomb and got up three days later and they do not seem to be any different. They do not seem to have any power in their lives. No, the resurrection is that you and I were joined to Jesus before the cross, taken to that cross, crucified, dead. You are dead. It says in Colossians, "For ye are dead". Lord what is my state before you? Dead! But it does not leave you there. There is something that happens after the cross. It is called the resurrection. Whereby you, not the old you, but you are joined to the Lord. He that is joined to the Lord is one spirit. Joined to the Lord, one with the Lord. Jesus never knew failure. Did you know that? He died on the cross, but it was not a failure on his part. He never knew failure. He never knew guilt. Because he never sinned. He has never known the things that drive, and the things we thrive on and the viewpoint that we have from a fallen condition. Everything, everything, from a fallen condition. Everything from a position of lack. Everything from a position of want. Everything from a position of guilt, or failure. This constant inability to approach God as a son of God., but as a failure who barely gets the mercies for the day. Instead of living as a son of God, by Christ Jesus.

By Christ Jesus to the glory of God the father, that Christ may be glorified in the church to the glory of God, the father. The resurrection is you and me, first of all dead because there is not going to be any resurrection of you and me without that death. So I am not really talking right now about the death. You have heard me talk about the cross before I think, but I am not really talking about that death right now, though death must be assured in us. Because there is no resurrection of the old. Oh glory to God, did you just hear that there is no resurrection of the old. Glory to God we are new creatures in Christ. In Christ is where you were raised up. That is where you were raised. Raised up and made to sit together. I like that. Thank you Lord for doing that. Practically have to make me, you know what I mean, thank God you did it, you made me do that one. You know there are some you say let, but that one you made me. And you made me I did not do it myself, but of God are you in Christ Jesus, who is now made unto you righteousness. This is a whole different viewpoint. A whole different way of living. You have righteousness because it is Christ. Is that going to come and go on a daily basis, based on your failures? Here we go, see we pulled everything back based on my failures. We are back down here on the earth. We are not in the new creation. WE are not in the resurrection. We are denying the resurrection. We are ignorant of the new creation and we are facing life the best I can. Let me just say good luck, but God has got so much, much more, much more. It even says that in Romans, does it not? Having been reconciled by his blood, there is the failure, the blood covers the sin, there is much more. We shall be saved by his life. Much more, there is much more than the failures of sin.

There is much more than the past, the old life that failed God. That came short of the glory of God, that does not know the Lord. It is Christ now. You are in him and he is in you and that is the only life that God recognizes, that God really understands that you have now. We are ignorant. Our minds are not renewed to the truth of the death burial and resurrection of Jesus. So, he is viewing us, and he is blessing us, trying to deal with us as sons and we are just trying to get through the night. Help me make it through the night. O, my God we are so linear, so twenty-four-a-day, what is coming next and when it does come, every view point we have is from, that failure, that guilt, that not measuring up, that is not enough. You know in the old testament when you failed, you had to offer for sins all the time. You had to offer a sacrifice over and over and over. You had to just keep doing it, and the bible says in the book of Hebrews that you had to keep doing it and it was a constant reminder that you are a failure. That is the old testament, in the new there is one sacrifice forever. He that sanctifieth and those who are sanctified are one. And he put away sin forever. You say, well what if I sin? Folks, your sin is put away, is put away. All you are doing now is acknowledging the finished work of the cross. He is not coming and dying everytime you fail. I am glad somebody got some umph, Praise God, were did you go? We are going to send everybody on that little trail you went on. Oh, I tell you what, you know if we really got hold of this we would go out and preach it to the world. You know

what I mean? It would be called preaching the gospel. We would be excited! Our cups would be running over. Well, what do I say, I do not know what to say. I am telling you, you will have plenty to say and they will have a hard time shutting you up. So we really are going to talk about reliance, but I am trying to make a point that it does not matter.

I mean I was sharing in Costa Rica and with some brothers in Nicaragua and I was seeing that it did not matter almost what I said, what subject I talked about, it was always taken from an old creation view point and it is always on that failure level. Always on, yeah, I need to rely more on the Lord and boy that is just one of the 18 billion subjects in the bible. You know, have you ever had that come? One subject is reliance and then the Lord deals with you about being more loving and you are going how am I going to measure up to all this. The truth is you are not, but the truth is, is that you have been raised up and made to sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus and there you have access to all spiritual blessings, because that is the vine and you are the branch and you are to be plugged into that reality, and folks let me tell you, that reality, we listen to a sermon and we believe that reality, but we are not plugged into that as our reality. That is not how we relate. and I will just say this, to be in Christ folks, Holy Spirit anoint this right now and help somebody to receive it. To be in Christ is not a doctrine or a teaching, it is a relationship. It is a way you relate to subjects such as; acceptance, unacceptance. Such as forgiveness or not being forgiven. Such as adoption and not being adoption. Such as all things that it says are yours in Christ. It is a way that you relate and if you relate outside of that, then you are relating on you, because the only way you can relate outside of that is based on you and how good you are doing. You are not relating in Christ. You do not have a relationship in Christ, you have a doctrine. You do not live in the resurrection. Nor, if you do not, nor can you draw from the resurrection power that is in Christ. All of that strength that you do not have. I can not live it! Yes, amen, you can not. He did not want you to. He has given Jesus to you as the life. There is your hope. There is your seeking. that will motivate you. Ought to. That should go, Praise God there is hope. There is hope in Christ. And it begins to make you get your eyes off you. The failure you, the dead you in most cases. The one you are trying to fix up, God declares as dead. The one that has all strength, you are calling on him to help you. The dead one. Instead of abiding in him and letting all the root and the fatness of the vine come through you.

Glory to God. When you say glory to God, then you go glory to God. That is what Jesus prayed in John 17. He said, "Father. oh man, I pray, I pray for these guys. I am praying for them that they may have the glory that I had with you before the world was." Folks, this reliance thing, this reliance thing is not based on the glory of relying upon the Lord because it is so dark and some bad thing happened and you relied upon the Lord and the glory is that relied upon the Lord in face of this dark thing and so it shined brightly. That is still a contrast to this. I am talking about the glory that was before the world, before there was a sin, before there was a failure, before there. I am talking about

glory that does not shine out of darkness in the sense of being dark. I am talking about a glory that shines out of the heart of his father toward his son, not based on anything of you, but on the fullness of Jesus Christ. The glory that God has toward his son in whom you are. I could not ask for that. I do not think God would, I have been messing up, I had a bad thought today. Well, you knew, maybe you need your old brains washed out with the word of God. Remember, some of you older ones, your parents used to wash your mouths out with soap. Some of you need your brains washed out with the word of God. And you would quit speaking that stuff. But you speak it because you believe it. You do, you speak it because that is, I am sorry I do not care what you tell me and you may hate me when I say stuff, but I do not care what you tell me you believe, the way you relate is what you really believe and the way most of us relate is based on us, our failures. The cross and the resurrection of Jesus Christ has almost nothing to do with it. In Christ almost means nothing. But I am telling you the way Paul presented it, the way Jesus presented it in John 17 when he is talking there, In John 15 when he is talking about the vine and branches it is God's chosen way of relating, of him relating to us and us relating to him so that acceptance from now on is just a matter of a subject, is never an issue of anything outside of in Christ. And that is how I will relate to my God. Because I was raised up, made to sit together in heavenly places and I am accepted in the beloved. Because he that is joined to the Lord is one. Because the one that I am now is Jesus, because he is my life. He is my life, he is my all and he is in all. He is the fullness of him that filleth all and in all. He is the length and the breadth and the height and the depth and Paul prayed that you may know the length, the breadth and the height and the depth. And we are too busy studying subjects to know the Lord. The light of the glory that I am talking about is not a light of contrast of me relying upon precious Jesus during this rough time and see the glory. I believe there is glory in that do not misunderstand me, But I am here to tell you that there is a greater glory.

It is the glory that Jesus had with the father before the world was. Jesus, not mine, your Jesus prayed that you would know that glory and enter into it. That was his heart, that was his prayer, "O that they may know this." and he goes on to say, "I in them, them in me, just like I am in you and you are in me." He was plugged into the vine which was the father. The words I speak are not mine. The works I do are not mine. Somebody said, "Jesus, you should not have done that on the Sabbath." I did not do it on the Sabbath. See he did not go, "On the sabbath it is ok to do it on the Sabbath." He said "I did not do it on the Sabbath. My father did it." That was his answer. He related to the father, him being in the father and the father being in him. It was how he related. It was how he thought. When he did something good they said, "oh good master, you did a great work, he said "I did not do that. I am not getting puffed up over it and I am not getting rejected over anything. " See we are trying to deal with puffed up and rejection, and I am telling you God has a place that he has dealt with all these things. First at the cross and then at the resurrection and the resurrection is one of the most glorious realities that you

will ever, ever know. That you are no longer just oyou forgiven and he left you down here with a few facts to work with. Folks, he has raised you up and made you to sit together with him in heavenly places. That is your wource now. Paul said, in him I live and I move and I have my being. How many of us honestly, with all honesty can say, the basic way I relate to God and man is on my reality in Christ. That I am there and what that says of me there is what controls my thought process. Not the guilt, not the failure. Jesus never experienced that, and let this mind be in you. We are supposed to come to a place that we are a son of God by Christ. Instead of just cleaning us up, but us kind of sitting at the table and looking down and going, "You know, I really should not eat this, it is too good for me." Instead of looking your father right in the eye and seeing the glory that he has for you based on his son. Because I want you to know that he does see the son in you. That is what he put in you that is called, we call it the treasure in earthen vessels. You are on with that. You are one with the lord, you arejoined ot him. You are called bone of his bone and flesh of his flesh. God does not view you anyway different from that, that is your existance, but we live as though the cross never happened.

We live as though the ressurection never happened. We live almost like old testament saints, everyone going almost like thinking that every time we fail we have to offer a new sacrifice and kind of wald in and go Oh and offer this thing and hope the fire falls on it and then we go, "Thank you" and "I will never do that again" and then get a little lower everytime. Instead of realizing that folks, the sacrifice has been offered. Every sin that you have ever committed has been taken care fo and now you go in there and acknowledge it. How can you, if you have sinned, if you need help because you have failed? How can you come boldly to the throne of grace. I will tell you haw because it is a throne of grace. If is were a throne of judgement you would not come, you would go, "Oh, it is judgement until I get this thing settled." Folks, it is settled, now you need to get it settled in your acknowlegements according to, in oneness of accord with the fact that you are in Christ. It says that in Ephesians the first chapter. This reliance thing ,like Jehosaphat, like David, like Jesus. It is not a reliance only on failures, though obviously if there is the possibility of failure or there is need or whatever, obviously that arises, but I want you to know something the reliance that I am talking about is not based on the possibility of failure, nor is it based on the situation of need. It is the way God is , it is the way the kingdom is. It is a whole new creation way of proceeding which does not require bad situations. It is the kingdom of God. It is the kingdom of God. When we get up to heaven there will be no more pain, there will be no more devils, there will be no more sickness, so I will not need to rely on the Lord. People would never say that, but that is basically what they are looking forward to . But I will have you know that the Lamb is the temple. That the Lamb up there, that the Lamb is the light, that he is all htese things and that we are joined to him. We have such a hard time when we see him. We are so busy being out here and letting that light shine over here on us and us falling down and going I am so yucky. Let me tell you, you were but God had a remedy for you yuckiness, it is called the cross and now he wants you to relate

understanding who is in you, whom you are and who he has declared you to be. Amazing words, if any man, any man, mankind, it is using mankind. Any man be in Christ he is a new creation, old things are passed away, behold all things are become new.

Now this newness is only new for us, it was before the foundation of the world. It is only new to us because we are finding out about it and so we are finding out about it, and so we are being renewed in the spirit of our mind, not just an informational change, the spirit of our mind is being renewed. The spirit of our mind and we are beginning to understand that to be in Christ is not a doctrine, is not a teaching which we hold and many others do not, it is my relationship with God. It is how I relate to my father and my Lord. I do not. Without that I come and I go, Jesus please help me, please give me, would you, but is I am joined to him I come in and I go Lord, we are one and it is not by my hand that we did that, of God am I in Christ and you are now made unto me: wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption. So that I do not glory in me, I glory in you. You are those things. That is mine now and I receive that in light of the truth. Now once again, you are not going to rely upon that unless you know the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus, and I am not talking about the historical fact that he died and was buried in a little tomb and got up and everyone went, "Good job. That was neat". I am talking about the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus. I am talking about the eternal implications of what that means. and then I am talking about relating to God based upon that, or having a relationship with God based on that, but I am not talking about the doctrine of relationship.

I am not going to go off on that rabbit trail and say relationship is the way to go and pretty soon you are over here with this doctrine of relationship and you are preaching it and you are not even relating any more to Jesus. I am telling you relationship is the way to go. No it is not, spending time with the Lord, knowing the Lord is the way to go. That is relationship. Well do that. Quit preaching relationship. Especially relationship outside of Christ. Because folks you can sit down, you can kneel down at your little bed and think you are spending time with God, but if you are ignorant of your relationship in Christ, it is almost hit and miss. You do not understand that you are going to hate me for that one. Some of you who have been around long enough know. Those of you who do not still hold on to these things that you think gain certain things. I knelt here, or I am going to fast and this is going to get me something. You are earning your way, you are doing spiritual things that you think is opening the door to God and I am telling you that there is not a person that got in there because of their righteousness. They got in there because of death with Christ and when you understand that you are joined with Jesus in his death, then you understand that if we are in the likeness of his death we shall also be in the likeness of his, his, his resurrection and if God is looking over there and saying, "All glory to my son", then that is yours because you are one with him and in him. And you give him all glory too, but it is different, you are not standing out there going, "Glory, glory Jesus. Glory, glory." You are in him going, "I

receive what God has given me in Christ" and "Father I relate to you that way" and he says, "My son", that is what he says to you when you do that, "My son", but before that he says, "My child, my ignorant one, but my born one. Born again ignorant of the true thing that you have." You know, the prodigal son. "Oh, I am going to get the goods, I am going to get the goods." We are going to talk about reliance. We actually are, but I am not just going "blah, blah, blah" because this is more important than any subject. This is what makes all subjects alive.

The prodigal son goes, "Give me the inheritance, give me the goods, give me the goods, give me this good thing and give me that good thing. And he did it outside of the father's house. Amen? He did it outside of the father's house. He did it outside of the father's house. He took it outside of the father's house and what happens when you do that? IT just squanders, it goes phssit. It does not last. and all of the sudden he realizes there is something much more precious than all the things that I had and it is, I will return to my father's house, and my father. I will come back to him and what did he do, he still had the old creation mentality, did he not? "Oh father, I am no longer worthy to be your son and the father is shoving a ring on his finger and shoes and a robe and everything and throwing a big party and killing the fatted calf and going this my son was dead and now he is ressureted. He is alive! He is alive! That is the father's viewpoint. The son has to listen to his father and go "man, I mean I am sitting here wrestling through ever being worthy to sit at your table again and you are treating me like I am a son." And you look at those things and you can not continue in the old way. "oh, woe is me". And you can not go, "Bless God, I am a son. You do not do that, you understand that that is true because you are in Christ. That is a relationship with Jesus. I am in you and this i smine through you. Through Christ Jesus. Then you relate to the father based on that reality. But, it is truly, truly, folks, I am telling you. Everybody in this room ought to with all their heart determine that they are going to get into the word of God and ask the Spirit of God to break forth the glorious reality of the ressurection that took place, so that you will no longer live after the old man. But folks, that putting off took place by a death and ressurection. You do not just go, "Oh, O.k., I am going to put it off." How many have tried that? "O.K. I am going to put it off, the word of God says put it off, and obedience is the way. I am going to ovey you." So we seek to put it off and you can not put it off. It just clings to you, but I am telling you through the cross there is a separation and it was not the stuff from you, all that stuff clings to you because you were the old creation. You are crucified and Christ becomes your life. So that he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord. The fulness only as far as you are concerned. He is the only source.

Now we are talking reliance, are we not? He is the only source. Are you getting a little different view of reliance now? It does not have to have a problem for you to begin to work or to function, I mean in reliance. There does not have ot be any kind of situation. Suddenly you find yourself in the kingdom. You are not pulled by all the old. YOU are not bearing all hte burdens of the



old. This is a good message. I mean this is a good message for what we just started, a new beginning. I just realized that. We are not carrying all the old with us, and oh yes, there was that failure last year. No, I tell you what, the thing for you to do is to just hear what the father says and say, "I believe your word and your word is first until your word becomes life, but I start with the word." In the beginning was the word and that word becomes the word of life. That is the goal, but you have to have the book do you not? You have to have that. You have to start with that. You say, "I do not have time for the word. I am too busy living my linear life trying to get God to straighten it out." Well, it will never happen in the way you think it is supposed to happen, because you are coming at God from a whole other angle than he is coming at you. You know it is like the woman who lost the coin, it rolls way over there and you are over here looking for it, "Where is it? Where is it? God, why do you not show me where it is at? Why do you not go where I am trying to tell you?" It is not where you are standing. It is over there in Christ. All the treasures of wisdom and knowledge and I want to tell you, I searched out that word, all and you know what it means? All, all the treasures. Oh see now we are not talking about failures and the blood and the cross. We are talking about resurrection. Do you see what I am talking about? Yes, there is a place for all that, but the cross deals with that, but there is a place for resurrection folks. You do not just stay down.. YOU do not just stay a failure. You do not just fall short continually. There is life and it is not yours and it is your key out of the old creation and God forbid that we who are called by that name and we put it in public do not know the very thing for which we were raised up to declare. Amen? God forbid that that not be the very breath that we breath. If we run into somebody, if we meet somebody," Oh, what church do you go to?", "Oh, I go to New Creation." "Oh, what is it like?" "Well, let me tell you. First, what the new creation is like. Let me tell you what the new creation is. It has nothing to do with our church, or Randy or these people or anything like that. Let me tell you about Jesus. Let me tell you about the life. Let me tell you about the resurrection. Let me tell you about the truth. Let me share." And pretty soon they will be going, "You people are crazy!" and run away, or else they will be going, "Oh my God, I want to live like that."

You know I pictured when Saul had his kingdom and David and his men over there and David is living in caves and everything and Saul is ruling and reigning and everything. But David was the true king. It mentions there that Saul was real oppressive and the people used to sigh and say, "Oh, that David was king. " Is that not cool? I can almost see them seeing David's men over there. There is a confidence. There is a well being. They are living in caves and they are running for their lives. But there is a confidence, they are with David, my God they are with him. There is a confidence. There is a certain air that you can not put your finger on that is glorious and they are sitting there in the kingdom with all the robes and they are looking at them and there is a certain discipline. There is a certain beauty. There is a certain order. There is a certain feel to this thing. This small thing that is starting to rise that will eventually overshadow, swamp Saul's kingdom. Like a boat being swamped

just sinking it and it will just rise. But greater than rising, what God wants you to do, is to understand that the resurrection has taken place and to live there long enough, listen carefully, to there long enough, long enough, in Christ in the resurrection, until all the sudden you are no longer of the old. YOU do not even comprehend the old. YOU are of the new, and the new Jerusalem begins not to rise up, but to come down to the earth. It is the new, it is not the old. It is not that which was cursed, and the remembrance of the curse, the remembrance of the failure. It is all together new and it is coming down not going up.

It has so rested from its labors. Do you know what that means? That means trying to, well I am going to pray a little harder, well you know I have not been in the word this week, I need to do it so that God does not just cut me off. No, I go to the word because I want to see the glorious face of Jesus. Because I want to see the truth. That he has declared and it is not just a truth, it is that which is true and when all this is passed away that will forever be the truth and I will live there now and I will live there in the future, because my future is right now. In Christ, my reality is right now. you become so settled in him and it says that, does it not say that? Yes to be established, settled in him. It says that, it says that. So you become established, you become settled and pretty soon, not just you coming down, not just me, not just us, not just Jesus, but the new, the new. John was taken up to heaven and he is seeing a bunch of stuff on the earth and then he is seeing stuff in heaven, he is seeing all this bad stuff happening in the earth, then he sees all this glory in heaven. It is a contrast. It is a contrast of the heavenly to the earthly. It is not just the end time events folks, it is the contrast. It is a contrast. And so the angel comes up and says would you like to see the bride? Would you like to see her? Would you like to see the bride of the lamb? He goes, "yeah" and he took him and he showed him the new Jerusalem. Not filled with the old, not thoughts of the old, not the guilt, not the failure not the constant having to relate based on sin. But something that has been washed. Been washed. Has put on robes that are white, Not because they deserved it, but because he declared it. "I am your righteousness." You walk into the tabernacle, all the way around the whole tabernacle is this white fence. It is white linen. Once you step in there it is tall enough that you can not even be seen anymore. You are not even seen. You are swallowed up in there and the white represents the righteousness of the saints. The white linen, it says that in the bible. You get in Christ, you are not righteous, but you are swallowed up in him and he is that tabernacle. He is that covering. And you are declared righteous by Christ. Not because you did anything. You put off the old, because if you go in there with the old you will be struck dead. You had better put it off. Put on the new. Put on the new garments. Put on the priestly garments. Maybe I will not get to reliance. Put on the priestly garments. Put on! Quit going by the old. Put off that old, sweaty, wool that makes you sweat. He says do not wear any of that wool in here. That is what he said. Do not you be wearing that wool, that old sweaty work clothes.

Oh, I have ot work you know. Lord accept this. Do not you step one more step, you will be in here and I will slap you dead. You can not earn this. You go to some other God or some other religion over there in a far tent on the far corner of this thing. We have some guy starting some other kind of religion. Go join with him, but here Christ is all and all. Here, the cross sufficient. First thing when you step in there, there is the altar. Woops, o.k. Well, we know what this is about, death, and then proceed right in the very holy of holies were all that you can see is his glory, and it is not a glory based on. It is not a light that shined in the outer court. It is not the seven branched candlestick of the light that, we are not the light but the church is that seven branch candle stick that bare the light. But folks any kind of reflection that we could bare with seven little things, is not anything compared with the rent veil, when you see the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. And you do not just fall down and worship folks, you become one. You do not just become one, you become washed. Your mind becomes washed. You see it is not just a cleansing of the blood. That took place back at the altar. Not just a cleansing of the blood folks, this is a washing of the word. The word is washing away your old concepts. Your old way of relating. Your old understanding. You are becoming in all reality, you are, but you are by knowledge becoming a new creation. Once again you are not actually becoming a new creation. For you are that, you are just finding out, what you have always been. And that is a blessing. It is not something that you are working toward, attaining to, it is something that you are and you are figuring out. Oh it is glorious, it is glorious.

The subject of reliance or any subject. I am telling you. I am telling you, it is found in Christ. It is not just something that you go, "O.k., that was a good sermon and I want to rely more on the Lord. No, Jesus, except for that he is up there somewhere. No cross. No ressurection. No new creation. Just me, and me knowing I want to but I probably will not. I really love you Lord, but I know what it is going to llok like. I do not even want to stand up and tell anyone God has done something for me. Because I know that in a couple of weeks they are going to go, "What happened sucker?" So it is just better to reman in the bog of. You know even when I have not failed yet, I know that I will. How can I ever be accepted by anybody if I can not accept myself and I can not because look at me. God is saying, "Quit looking at you! See my son and not just see my son like, see my son, ooh. Ooh, see my son. Understand death, burial, and ressurection of Jesus. All these terms we have. I am just believing God, the holy spirit to be the sledge hammer this year. I am just believing that he is going to crush all that old junk and just splatter it. Start shattering in the power of the spirit of God. Oh, you do not know how I have been praying. and just begin to make us realize the new. That which we are. If any man! Anybody! It does not matter your state or your stature or position. It is not your condition. It is not your condition, byt your position that matters to God and if you abide in that position, that will eventually change your condition.

Folks, it is not just. God is here right? Amen. Is God here? Yes, the Lord is here. Is the word of the Lord going forth? Yes, amen the word of the Lord is

going forth. But folks, it is not, it is not just being able to say, 'boy, that was really good.' Somebody, somewhere in this room has got to, somebody, please. Somebody I ask you to embrace this. Somebody, I mean to really go men, if that is true and go, "I will set my self a course for myself and I will not just seek a little while and then give up. I am going to set, Lord if htis is the truth and right now we are all kind of bearing witness that is is the truth, are we not? or most of us. But if it is the truth is worthy of being sought? and given all to." Sell everything and but the field to just get that. Is it not? I say it is. I say it is worth all. But somebody has got to. We preach sermon after sermon after sermon after sermon folks and they can be just like a breeze blowing over you that cools your flesh long enough to get through another day. It is not meant to be a cooling fan on your flesh that has worked so hard that it needs to be cooled down lest you have some bad condition take place. It is meant to go into your heart. The word of God is like seed that goes into your heart and you begin to water that and you begin to search that and you begin to. You read your bible and you find books on the subject and you go over there nad say, "Debbie, I am going crazy, I must have everything that you have on this subject." And you find those that understand it and you hang on their word. You say, "what, what did you say?" Oh that was, that is right. But you go to bed, you go to your job and you realize when you come back it is not me. It does not have me yet. But it is going to, because kl will not quit, I will not let go of the feet of Jesus, I will not stop pursuing. My soul panteth hard after the Lord. That is the way. And I am not asking that of everybody. Just somebody, if somebody would. And I say this has nothing to do with Randy and his desires or new creation and it's vision.

Folks, Jesus is worthy of this. The father is worthy of this. That you may know the glory that I shared with the father before the foundation of the world. And let me tell you just because you enter into it does not make you the highlight. It makes you glory in him. It does, it just makes you honor him so much because he becoems your all in all. It just makes him so much more precious. You would think by becoming a son of God and not thinking in the old ways that you would think that you are something special. Not if you come to it by the knowledge of the Holy spirit. Because the holy spirit only lifts up Jesus. And what it does is htat you are identified with it, but you understand that he is the source. There is your reliance. And he is precious and he is everything. And you are continually relying upon him, because without him you can do nothing. Now is that in the bible? Now how many of us really believe that? You know what I mean? Well, I can do something. I can ride a bicycle without him. It is not even talking about that. It is talking about, I can produce nothing that pleases God apart from Christ. Let me share a little on this reliance hting. Because we did turn to some scriptues here. I hate them preachers that tell you turn there and they never share the word of God with you. They just talk about stuff.

Second Samuel, chapter eight, verse one, "and after this it came to pass that David smote the Philistines and subdued them. And David took

Methegammah out of the hands of the Phillistines. And he smote Moab and measured them with a line, casting them down to the ground even with two lines measured he to put to death, and with one full line to keep alive." There is so much in here we can not talk about everything, can we? "And so the Moabites became David's servants, and brought gifts. David smote also Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, King of Zobah, as he went to recover his border at the river Euphrates. And David took from him a thousand chariots and seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: and David hamstrung," this is my Scofield bible, "David hamstrung all the chariot horses, but reserved of them for an hundred chariots."

David's kingdom is just beginning and he is spreading this kingdom. He is taking the enemy. He is taking more and more of the enemy that is surrounded him. And that which was the camp of the enemy is becoming God's territory. The kingdom is coming in earth as it is in heaven. And he gets to this place where there are these three thousand or however many chariots and horses. And it says he took these horses and hamstrung them. do you know what it means to by hamstrung? Have you ever seen a meat market or a meathouse where they have all these cattle, cows, skinned and hung up? David took all of these chariot horses and he strung them up and he only left himself a hundred. I am telling you, he had this guy, this second in charge was his captain of his hosts. His name was Joab. It does not say anything here, but I can see Joab going, "What are you doing? Are you crazy? I am the captain of your host and I am telling you that we can use these chariot horses and these chariots, man. This is big stuff. Man, we have made a major score here and what are you doing? Are you crazy?"

When I read it I went, "What in the world is David doing?" And then I read over in, I can not remember the chapter, but I think it is chapter 27. God was telling them way back when they were still in the wilderness, when you have a king, the king must not multiply horses unto himself. David was the first king that was really god's king. And he said, "We are going to kill all of these horses and remove all of these chariots, and he wrote it in the Psalm you sing it all the time, some trust in chariots, some trust in horses, but we will depend on the name of the Lord. We are not going to have all of this might and strength. we are not going to have all of this stuff that we can depend on and God told him do not multiply horses, because if you do you will start relying on them, you will start thinking in terms of that, but if you do not have all of that stuff you will trust in me. You will rely upon me. I will be your reliance. In another place David said a horse is a vain thing when it comes to battle. It is a vain thing. It is not going to do it. It is not going to work. Why? Pharaoh he had so many, all of these kingdoms did and David reduced it down to 100. I am telling you, if you search in the scriptures, the chariots and horses, when they go to battle most of them have thousands and David reduced it down to a hundred. So small that if they ever won, no one would ever go it is because we had all those chariots and horses.

Folks, I want you to know something and you have not liked me up to now, you really will not like me now. But I am telling you that there are people, have been for years preaching in the church stuff that is multiplying horses and chariots and all this kind of stuff, and they call that to the glory of God, supposing that gain is Godliness and maybe everyone in the church world would hate me for saying what I am saying, but I am telling you that that is not God. It is not. I do not care what you say. I will rely upon the Lord. And I believe this I believe this, I will run through a wall and through a troop. I believe this, I believe this, yeah, though ten thousand come nigh me they shall fall at my side. I am just quoting David here. I am saying that many of the great ones are going to fall more and more. I am saying that pretty soon it is going to be seen that most of this junk has been junk. And only those that rely upon the Lord are going to stand. I am not against prosperity or this or that or whatever. I am not against it. I am for relying on the Lord. I am for, let us kill all these thousands and thousands of horses. Let us string them up, let us have a little hundred over here. Let us have just enough that God could use five loaves and two fishes or whatever. Let us put ourselves in a position that if we really have this, not a doctrine, of reliance.

I am telling you, you get into a bad situation and remember we are still talking from new creation, but we get into a little bit of a bad situation and we panic, we freak out and we start calling upon God and we start where is this and why is not this here? Lord why do you not do this, and all this stuff. And it is because we do not have a basic reliance upon based on the new creation, much less a basic reliance period. And when we increase our horses, we are confident and that confidence is not in the Lord. It is not in the Lord. It is in what we have that brings us confidence in the natural that is like dust that can be blown away. It is like a vapor. It will not stand. And folks we have greater times coming than what we see now. But, but, but, but all of that being said I am not ever really talking about that. I am talking about the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. Abiding in him, and understanding that in a way that makes you relate that way when a circumstance comes up. I mean any circumstance. Good, bad, and indifferent. It does not matter. That is just stuff. You will apply what is real to you to those things automatically because it is real to you this way. But it is not trying to figure out some truth here and live down here and apply and well it does not apply here. It means relying upon the Lord, period, all the time, it is the way that you are. And if that is the case then God can make you like Solomon. He can make you the richest man in the world and you will not rely upon riches. But many of us have not learned the basic first principle of death, burial, and resurrection and so he can not increase to us, but he does, we pray and he helps us. But we are praying that God will help solidify us in a carnal state. David did not just go, well I believe, I believe, here are all these chariot horses. Put them in these stalls there and put those chariots out there. You know, have them ready on the landing strip, in case the enemy comes. You know. But I am going to trust in the Lord. Folks, he did something very real and practical to show that this was so real in him. He said, "I am going to do something that shows this. It is working in me. Let us kill

everyone of these things, everyone of them, let us just kill them all and then if this is just hog wash then we will just all die. If it is real then you going to see the glory of God when the enemy comes against us.

Do not just sit in service after service and just listen to something and nothing ever change. If God is dealing with you on this type of reliance then maybe you need to go hamstring some horses. What would please me and please God greater is to forget about the subject and get into the Lord. Christ and him crucified. Get into him. Seek him with all your heart, and it will settle all those issues. All those subject areas that we are, you know love and patience and reliance, it will settle all those things, because that will be your source for meeting these things down here.

So I am not really talking about reliance and I knew I would not be. I am talking about Christ and him crucified. I am talking about Christ and him crucified. I am talking about the greatest reality that ever hit this earth, I am talking about the most wonderful person, and the most wonderful work and reality that we could ever know, and for us to sit day in and day out, week in and week out, month in and month out, year in and year out and give ourselves to being vessels that are so full that our cups run over when we get the opportunity to share. We, how can we be raised up in heavenly places at the last day, walk around in the face of Daniel who stood firm for the Lord. In the face of Paul who declared the truth at great expense. In the face of David who hamstrung these horses and did all of this, who face Goliath with a sling and some stones. How can we hold our heads up in the face of our brethren when all that we have done is lived into his world, like the world, based on a mentality of this world? Do you understand what I am saying? But let us go on to know the Lord. Let us pursue hard after him. What else do you have time to do? What else are you wanting to do? What else is more important than Jesus? Hallelujah! Scott did you have a scripture that you wanted to share?

Let us bow our heads for a second. It is not in an altar call. But I believe that these are times that people just need to make a commitment to the Lord. I am telling you that we do not need to just continue to hear messages folks. Somebody. Please! Somebody dedicate yourself in a new way to seek the Lord. He is there for you. He wants you to know all of this and not just hear it, but to make it life in you. Because the way we go apart from this is hard. This is easy. this is not something that we have to measure up to, because you will never measure up. This is something that he has measured up and you have been measured in Christ. If there is anybody that just really, I mean God is dealing with you and if it is just really something that you so desire right now is to really, really, begin to pursue the Lord. In a new way would you just stand to your feet right where you are.

Father, you see their hearts. This is your word, it is not my word, it is not some special message that you gave to new creation, it is your word. Your spirit has been here today, is here. And he is the only one who can bring us

into this. We ask Father that the holy spirit be given place to lift up Jesus. To change our relationship from one of temporal circumstantial to based fully on the cross and on the resurrection. Not by might, not by power, but by your spirit. Lord we just believe that. I mean even today when I was sharing I think you made me know that this is something you are trying to work in the whole church, this is part of the plan for what you are talking about for the new beginning. Not just a restart Father, not just another, but the new Jerusalem viewpoint. That is a real new beginning. That is so new. A restart is starting again of the old. Father, but this is wholly new. Father none of us can earn this, none of us are worthy, but you did not do it because of that, you did it because you wanted us to enter into the glory that you had with the son before the foundation of the world. Not a glory of how great you are in the face of trials of this life and how glorious that is. But a glory which does not require sin of failure or trials or darkness. A greater glory. And if the old was glorious the new covenant is more glorious. Father all we can do right now is say words, but we ask according to what you are trying to accomplish. According to your desires. Father I am not trying to steer us a certain way, I desire that Jesus you to be the head. Holy spirit for this thing, for you to do this, for you to take us where you are trying to take us. I do not ask, and I pray that we do not ask Father, according to any preconceived concepts. I truly ask that you just do this thing and lead us into what you are after, because if you do then you will be glorified and we will all have to admit it was you. Father, thank you for this day, thank you for this new beginning, thank you for that other realm breaking through momentarily right now into this one to help our minds to be renewed in the spirit of our mind in the spirit of it. The very spirit of our mind, not just facts. And father I just so pray for this understanding of being in Christ, that it some how you will break this doctrine or even idolatrous ignorance of the truth. and it will become what it truly is, the way that we relate to you and the way that we relate to certain situations that arise. We are in Christ. Thank you Lord for your great grace and that is what we depend on. Father we just know that we are your sons right now, but you said in your word beloved now, beloved now are ye the sons of God. Beloved now are ye the Sons of God. And father you went on to say, yeah right now it doeth not yet appear, but when he shall appear and you are not talking about the second coming, because you said that every man that has this hope purifieth himself.

You are talking about us comprehending the length and the breadth and the height and the depth of that reality now. that those of us that have that hope of purifying our hearts right now, and we are not just being purified, we are purifying our hearts even as he is pure. Thank you that you have declared O behold what manner of love you have bestowed on us that we should be called the sons of God. To you Father all glory and honor, Father thank you. that you would bestow this upon us father. Thank you lord. Thank you Lord. Thank you father. Blessed be your glorious name. May the glory that you have toward your son be exhibited in the church. Hallelujah. In the new man, in the body father in the name of Jesus. hallelujah! Halleluja! Let us all stand together. Father we just dismiss this service, but we do not in any way dismiss



your holy spirit. Precious Holy spirit. So precious, precious teacher. Precious guide into all truth. Precious holy spirit. The only one who knows the deep things of God. Oh and the only one that came to freely give us and to teach us all those things freely. Father break that idol of trying to earn the truth and the light. Let us somehow deep within us realize we already are sons of God and that we can actually approach on that, and the guilt and the failures can fade. Hallelujah! Dismiss us father and let your spirit be upon us. Bless each one that came today and father I pray that everyone got something from you from you. Not just out of the message. Something from you that will enrich their lives a little more with the reality that you live in constantly. And in whom we dwell. Glory of your name. We believe all these things, we do not just ask. But we believe all of these things not in our own name, but in the name of the one to whom we have been joined, married, called by his name, bone of his bone, the bride. In the name of Jesus we ask it Father. The name that you will forever have bestowed all glory upon. In the name of Jesus we ask it. Amen. God bless you.