

I. Paul's Outlook Concerning Conversion

A. Everything is new

1. *Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away, behold, new things have come. (2 Corinthians 5:17)*

B. The believer is rich

2. *For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)*

II. What Happens When a Person Repents and Believes

A. He is placed in Christ

B. In Christ he enters into a new experience

1. **Gains a new standing**

2. Enters into a new relationship

a) With God

b) With the people of God

3. Receives a new life

a) Union with Christ

b) Coming of the Spirit of God

4. Gains a new significance

5. Becomes an heir to a great inheritance

