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2 Cor. 5:17 So that if any one is in Christ, that one is a new creature; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

Your world changes immensely and eternally the moment you're Born-again! The above referenced verse tells of such, declaring we become a new life form not previously existing within our physical body! And while we can verify we were already alive before coming into union with Christ Jesus, the nature was different, the source of life wasn't the same as it is now! As a new creation, our source of life is different, and it is God the Holy Spirit that is that source! In our New-birth, we literally were filled with the life and nature of God!

The New Testament of the Bible tells us of these truths repeatedly! We are told above and elsewhere in God's Word that we are alive in Christ, hidden in God, and filled with the Holy Spirit now! We're alive with the divine nature of God, and that nature fills us completely! We are so filled with God's nature that we have the mind of Christ, and we are temples of the Holy Spirit, as well as being ambassadors for Christ Jesus Himself!

Beyond the ministry we have with Him, we have union with Him! We have been consumed by the life, love, nature, character, and Spirit of God! We have been totally and permanently separated from the sinful nature that dwelt within us since we were physically born! Our sin was carried away from between God and ourselves through the sacrifice of Jesus with the sin of the world upon Himself! We were justified before God on that same legal basis, which became personal for us in our New-birth! Having been legally declared "not guilty" of sinfulness before God through Jesus, we were provided the opportunity to personally receive the spiritual life and sinless nature of the Holy Trinity by calling upon Jesus for salvation!

When we called, salvation came, filling us with the holiness, righteousness, and spiritual perfection of God, through the Spirit of God! The truths of redemption that the New Testament speaks of so many times is relevant to us, in every sense! For in union with Christ Jesus, as He is, so are we, now, today, and forevermore! Jesus not only provided us with redemption on a legal basis, the Holy Spirit of God placed all of that redemptive life into us, when we called upon the Lord for forgiveness and the gift of Eternal Life! Having been completely forgiven for all sin and transgression, past, present, and future-tense, is another facet of the being a New-Creature!

Sinfulness has been dealt with by God through the sacrifice of Jesus once for all of time, and God has no 'room, right, or reason' to level charges of sin and corruption against us ever again! Whom the Son sets free is free indeed, as John 8/36 tells us, in the words of Jesus! As a New-Creature, it's Christ in you, the hope of glory! That glorious hope has filled you to spill you, so that everywhere you are, the Holy Spirit in you can flow through you in loving on and ministering to people all around you! God is good!