

ChristLock

“Protecting Yourself from Identity Theft”

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Philemon 1:6(NKJV) ~ The sharing of your faith may become effective by the acknowledgment of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

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According to Javelin Strategy and Research, the leading tracking company of Identity Theft Research, 16.7 million America's experienced Identity Theft in 2017.

Identity Theft is growing at record pace in America.

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Identity Theft leaders by state:

#1~Delaware

#2~ Michigan

#3~ Florida

#4~ California

#5~ Maryland

Tennessee ranks #25; the least chance of identity theft is in South Dakota-#52

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In November of 2018, 500 million records were exposed from Marriott International; 340 million records were exposed in June from Exactis, a marketing firm; 150 million were exposed at Under Armour; 92 million at MyHeritage, a genealogy firm; and 87 million records at Facebook. In 2017 the largest U.S. credit bureau, Equifax, suffered a breach that exposed the personal data of 145 million people, including Social Security numbers. It was among the worst breaches on record because of the amount of sensitive information stolen.

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Identity Guard says- “Our state-of-the-art artificial intelligence capabilities continuously scour billions of data points to discover vulnerabilities and alert you when your identity may be at risk. Think of it as a “radar” that is always protecting your identity.

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Satan is the identity thief!

John 10:10(NKJV)- The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

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Satan works to create identity crisis in us. He does it to prevent us from walking in God’s plan for our lives. If Satan is successful in convincing us that we are someone other than God’s design for us-we will never be able to access the resources God has for us!

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If we don't understand who we are in Christ, we become susceptible to the identity theft that Satan uses against us.

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When we don't know our identity in Christ, we will believe whoever our emotions, culture or Satan tells us we are.

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"Realize who you are in me and go on..."

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Matt 7:13-14(NKJV)~ ¹³ "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.

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Holiness is not the way to Christ; Christ is the way to holiness!

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I Cor. 15:34(KJV)~ Awake to righteousness and sin not..."
I was spiritually stuck, going nowhere, because I was deceived about my identity.

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Rom. 4:3-5(NLT)~ For the Scriptures tell us, "Abraham believed God, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith."  
<sup>4</sup> When people work, their wages are not a gift, but something they have earned. <sup>5</sup> But people are counted as righteous, not because of their work, but because of their faith in God who forgives sinners.

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Awake to righteous and sin not; realize who you are in me and go on...

“I am righteous, because I believe Jesus paid the price for my sins. My works don’t put me in right standing with God; my believing puts me in right standing with God!”

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No longer was I a bad man trying to change my life, suddenly I saw myself as a godly man being harassed by and unwelcome enemy.

Immediately, I realized I wasn’t a beggar grappling for a crumb of relief; I was a child of the King with all of the King’s resources and armies at my disposal!

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Philemon 1:4-6(NKJV)~ I thank my God, making mention of you always in my prayers, ⁵ hearing of your love and faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the saints, ⁶ that the sharing of your faith may become effective by the acknowledgment of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

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Philemon 1:6 (NKJV)~ the sharing of your faith may become effective by the acknowledgment of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

Philemon 1:6(KJV)~ That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

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The word “communication/ sharing” is literally translated “using.” The using of your faith may become effectual.

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The word “effectual” in this verse means “divinely energized.”  
The using of your faith may become divinely energized by the acknowledging...

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The word “acknowledge” in its simplest translation means “confession.” To acknowledge something means I confess something.
The using of your faith will become divinely energized by the confessing of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus!

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Many Christians don’t have divinely energized faith because they don’t know their identity in Christ!

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2 Cor. 5:17(NKJV)- Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new

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Satan continually tries to remind us of who we were; instead of who we are!  
As we acknowledge/confess who we are in Christ, our faith will become divinely energized and our faith will produce results.

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A~~~I am accepted in Christ
Eph. 1:6(NKJV)~ to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved.

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B~~~I am blessed by the Lord in all things  
Eph. 1:3(NKJV) ~ <sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ

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C~~~ I am personally chosen by God
Eph. 1:3-4(NKJV) ~ ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the
heavenly places in Christ, ⁴ just as He chose us in Him before the
foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame
before Him in love.

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D~~~ I am delivered from Satan's kingdom  
Colossians 1:13(NKJV) ~ <sup>13</sup> He has delivered us from the power of  
darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love

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E~~~ I am enriched in everything
(1 Cor. 1:4-5(NKJV) ~ ⁴ I thank my God always concerning you for the
grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus, ⁵ that you were
enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge.
(enriched~wealthy)