

FEBRUARY 10

“YOU ARE WHO YOU ARE ONLY BECAUSE OF WHAT HE HAS DONE.”

READ

Matthew 9:12-13, Ephesians 1:3-6

You won't win all your battles today. Although Christ is victorious in a Christian's life, we still wrestle with sin. We are a walking paradox. We believe and doubt at the same time. We love and hate simultaneously. We feel bad about feeling good. God is good to us, yet we feel bad about it. But remember, Jesus left heaven to have dinner with you! He came to eat with sinners and outcasts, scorned and rejected people who had abandoned all hope. You don't have to fake it. You are who you are because of who He is and what He has done. Holiness is a gift from God that can't be earned; we don't deserve it. Holiness is what God imparts to you when Jesus comes into your life. Practicing holiness is just that striving day by day to get there. Year after year, this longed-for perfection still hasn't come. I have good news for you; it will come in heaven. As long as we are on this earth, the Holy Spirit will continue perfecting and changing us.

PRAY

Thank You God for making me Your child, for starting a good work in me. What You started You will finish.

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