Doctrine of Being in Christ

Twenty Seven Marks of Being in Christ

Because I am accepted in Christ…

1. I am God's child.
   - John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

2. As a disciple, I am a friend of Jesus Christ.
   - John 15:15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.

3. I have been justified.
   - Romans 5:1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

4. I am united with the Lord, and I am one with Him in spirit.
   - 1 Corinthians 6:17 But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.

5. I have been bought with a price and I belong to God.
   - 1 Corinthians 6:19 What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

6. I am a member of Christ's body.
   - 1 Corinthians 12:27 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

7. I have been chosen by God and adopted as His child.
   - Ephesians 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: 4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: 5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. 7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; 8 Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;
8. I have been redeemed and forgiven of all my sins.
   - *Colossians 1:13* Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: 14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

9. I am complete in Christ.
   - *Colossians 2:9* For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. 10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

10. I have direct access to the throne of grace through Jesus Christ.
   - *Hebrews 4:14* Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. 15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

   Because I am secure in Christ...

11. I am free from condemnation.
   - *Romans 8:1* There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

12. I am assured that God works for my good in all circumstances.
   - *Romans 8:28* And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

13. I am free from any condemnation brought against me and I cannot be separated from the love of God.
   - *Romans 8:31* What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? 32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? 33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. 34 Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. 35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.
37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. 38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

14. I have been established, anointed and sealed by God.

- 2 Corinthians 1:21 Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God; 22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

15. I am hidden with Christ in God.

- Colossians 3:1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

16. I am confident that God will complete the good work He started in me.

- Philippians 1:6 Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:

17. I am a citizen of heaven.

- Philippians 3:20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

18. I have not been given a spirit of fear but of power, love and a sound mind.

- 2 Timothy 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

19. I am born of God and the evil one cannot touch me.

- 1 John 5:18 We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.

Because I am in Christ I Enjoy a Divine Significance

20. I am a branch of Jesus Christ, the true vine, and a channel of His life.

- John 15:5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.
21. I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit.

- *John 15:16* Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

22. I am God's temple.

- *1 Corinthians 3:16* Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

23. I am a minister of reconciliation for God.

- *2 Corinthians 5:17* Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new. 18 And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. 20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. 21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

24. I am seated with Jesus Christ in the heavenly realm.

- *Ephesians 2:6* And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

25. I am God's workmanship.

- *Ephesians 2:10* For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

26. I may approach God with freedom and confidence.

- *Ephesians 3:12* In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

27. I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me.

- *Philippians 4:13* I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.