



**DGM Message Title: The Essentials – Part 3 “Inside Out”**

**Theme: You are a new creation in Jesus Christ.**

**Message Summary:** One of the essential truths of the Christian faith is learning the difference between spiritual life and physical life. You are a new creation in Christ. When Christ lives inside a person, you have new potential. God is creating a new nation of people.

**Scriptural References:**

- James 2:26 (NKJV)
- Luke 15:22 (NKJV)
- Genesis 2:17 (NKJV)
- Genesis 3:7 (NIV)
- Ephesians 2:5 (NKJV)
- 2 Corinthians 5:16,17 (NKJV)
- John 14:9 (NKJV)
- Ezekiel 36:26 (NKJV)

**Key Points:**

- Part 3 of Series on the 8 Essential truths of the Christian Faith
- Part 3 is titled “Inside Out” – topic is “New Creation.”
  - D is for Deity of Christ
  - O is for Original Sin
  - C is for Canon of Scripture
  - T is for the Trinity
  - R is for Resurrection
  - I is for Incarnation
  - N is for New Creation
  - E is for Eternal Rewards and Punishments
- “For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.” (James 2:26 NKJV)
- Physical death is the separation of the spirit from the body and spiritual death is simply the separation of our spirit from God.
- Death is not God’s friend. It is Jesus’s enemy.

- “But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. ...for this my son was dead and is alive again;’” (Luke 15:22,24a NKJV)
- Did the son stop existing when he was away from his father?
- “...he was lost and is found.’ And they began to be merry.” (Luke 15:24b NKJV)
- Death occurs anytime we lose connection with the things that matter.
- “...But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.” (Genesis 2:17 NKJV)
- Physical death is not the greatest tragedy in life but what we let die inside of us while we live.
- “Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.” (Genesis 3:7 NIV)
- Adam and Eve only saw each other from the inside out.
- Only after they sinned did they see from the outside in.
- In heaven, people will only see the real you.
- “Even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved).” (Ephesians 2:5 NKJV)
- God’s greatest miracles happen when he makes good come out of bad.
- When you are born again, you become the starring participant in the greatest comeback since Lazarus.
- “Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer.” (2 Corinthians 5:16 NKJV)
- Before his conversion, all Paul could see was Jesus’s humanity.
- The treasure is not the vessel. It’s what’s in the vessel.
- Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip?” (John 14:9a NKJV)
- “He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, ‘Show us the Father?’” (John 14:9b NKJV)
- When Christ lives inside a person, they have a new potential.
- Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation... (2 Corinthians 5:17 NKJV)
- I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; (Ezekiel 36:26 NKJV)
- Lawnmower turned into a race car. (picture)
- God dealt with the inside.
- I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.
- “...old things have passed away; behold all things have become new.” (2 Corinthians 5:17b NKJV)
- But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9 NKJV)
- Race is from the outside in, but creation is from the inside out.
- “...His own special people.” (1 Peter 2:9 NKJV)
- Each of us are beautiful in our own way because God never makes mistakes.