



Reigning In Righteousness

SCRIPTURE: *For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ) (Romans 5:17).*

Every child of God is a king in this life, and called to reign in righteousness. Righteousness gives you the ability to stand in the presence of God without condemnation; to stand in fellowship with God, having His rightness in your spirit. This is where our audacity of faith comes from.

This is the reason we're bold to make demands in His Name, decree a thing and have it established. It's because our righteousness is of Him, not what you did or didn't do, but what Jesus did. God declared you righteous freely, and declared Himself to be righteous by so doing: "To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus" (Romans 3:26). Hallelujah!

Righteousness makes us masters; it gives us dominion. You're not a victim, but a victor in Christ Jesus. John knew this and declared, "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world" (1 John 4:4).

God has imparted His nature of righteousness to you, and that's what makes you like Him. That nature makes you think, see, and talk like Him.

You've been raised to His level through Christ. Our opening verse says, "...they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ." You've received grace to reign over and above Satan and the elements of this world.

The Bible says He's made us kings and priests and we shall reign on the earth. Kings reign by issuing decrees and pronouncements; Ecclesiastes 8:4 says, "Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?" No wonder the Bible says you shall decree a thing, and it shall be established unto you (Job 22:28).

PRAYER

Holy and righteous Father, thank you for giving me your righteousness, granting me the ability to boldly stand before you without guilt, condemnation, inferiority or blame. In righteousness, I reign and rule in life, bringing glory to your Name. I walk in perpetual victory, manifesting your glory in every place, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Romans 5:17 (AMPC)

17 For if because of one man's trespass (lapse, offense) death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive [God's] overflowing grace (unmerited favor) and the free gift of righteousness [putting them into right standing with Himself] reign as kings in life through the one Man Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

Romans 5:20-21 (KJV)

20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: 21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Revelation 5:10 (KJV)

10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

1-YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN

1 Corinthians 7 & Psalms 119:113-176

2-YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN

Luke 18:9-17 & 1 Samuel 9