

No Condemnation for Those Who Are in Christ (Part 2)

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Scriptures:

- Psalm 34:22, *NLT*
- John 3:17, 18
- Romans 8:1
- John 8:10, 11
- Luke 19:5-8
- Luke 19:7-9, *NLT*
- Galatians 2:20
- Philippians 4:13
- Deuteronomy 28:13
- Luke 10:19

Summary:

*In an environment that condemns us and tells us we aren't good enough, trusting in Jesus completely flips things around for us. To be condemned means to be declared unfit and guilty; judgment and punishment are attached. This creates fear of an impending verdict of guilt being pronounced against us. By contrast, faith in Jesus justifies us even when we sin, make mistakes, and fall short. Instead of judging the woman caught in adultery and Zacchaeus the tax collector, Jesus showed compassion to them—this transformed them. We're definitely not good enough on our own; acknowledging that God is the only one who **can** make us good enough gives us victory over condemnation.*

Notes:

1. Christ has delivered us from condemnation; we can trust in Him more than in ourselves. Jesus wasn't sent to condemn us; we don't get saved through condemnation, but through Him.
2. When Jesus turned the attention from the woman caught in adultery to the men who wanted to stone her, they all realized that they, too, were under condemnation for sins they had committed.
3. The people hated and condemned Zacchaeus the tax collector because of his profession; however, Jesus did *not* condemn him.
4. On our own, we aren't good enough; however, in God we are made more than sufficient. We can't live the Christian life by self-effort, but we *can* live it when Christ lives in us.

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