Sin-Consciousness vs. Innocence-Consciousness (Part 3)
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Scriptures:

- 1 Corinthians 15:34, 56
- Romans 13:11
- Romans 3:20, *NLT*
- Romans 3:10
- Romans 6:14
- 2 Corinthians 5:21, *NLT*
- Hebrews 10:1, 2
- Romans 8:1, 2, 12
- Hebrews 10:17, 18
- 1 Timothy 4:1-3
- 2 Timothy 3:7
- Luke 16:16

Summary:
What we focus on dramatically impacts the quality of our lives. An awareness of sin, and the shame and guilt it brings, comes from the knowledge of the law. It causes us to see ourselves as unworthy and condemned because of our failures, and makes us think that we must work to get into heaven. By comparison, being aware that we're innocent comes from knowing that Jesus has redeemed us and made us righteous. We'll never experience the freedom grace brings if we remain conscious of our sins. Jesus, who is perfect and flawless, went to the cross and exchanged His perfection and righteousness for our imperfections and sinfulness. Choosing to be in Christ therefore empowers us to walk in the Spirit and frees us from all condemnation.

Notes:

1. We're who *God*—not the world—says we are. Our self-efforts will never justify us before Him.
2. Paul told the Corinthians and the Romans to wake up to their true identity in Christ. We can't awake to something unless it's already there.
3. Christ died to redeem us. The entire Old Testament pointed to Him. His grace frees us.
4. We're no longer defined by sin, but by righteousness. The Great Exchange took place on the cross.
5. God has forgotten our sins. We must therefore be careful to focus on our righteousness.
6. God has chosen to forget our sins and past mistakes. He has no record of them because He has wiped the slate clean.

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