

A close-up photograph of a person's hand holding a small, vibrant green seedling with several leaves and a clump of dark soil. The scene is bathed in warm, golden light, likely from the sun, creating a soft glow and highlighting the textures of the skin, soil, and leaves. The background is a blurred green, suggesting an outdoor setting. The overall mood is one of care, growth, and hope.

# NEW

STANDING · HEART · HOPE · LIFE

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, **the new creation has come**: The old has gone, **the new is here!**

**- 2 Corinthians 5:17**

The Great “New” promises

19 I will give them an **undivided heart** and put a **new spirit** in them; I will **remove** from them **their heart of stone** and **give them a heart of flesh**. 20 Then they will follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. They will be my people, and I will be their God.

**- Ezekiel 11:19-20**

26 I will give you a **new heart** and put a **new spirit** in you; I will **remove** from you your **heart of stone** and **give you a heart of flesh**. 27 And **I will put my Spirit in you** and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. 28 Then you will live in the land I gave your ancestors; you will be my people, and I will be your God. 29 I will save you from all your uncleanness.

**- Ezekiel 36:26-29**

31 “The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will make **a new covenant** with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. 32 It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord. “This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord. “**I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts.**”

**- Jeremiah 31:31-32**

But what about Romans 7?

1 Or do you not know, brethren (for I speak to those who know the law), that **the law has dominion** over a man **as long as he lives**? 2 For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives. But if the husband dies, she is released from the law of her husband.

- **Romans 7:1-2**



4 Therefore, my brethren, **you also have become dead to the law** through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another—to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God. 5 For **when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members** to bear fruit to death. 6 But **now we have been delivered from the law, having died** to what we were held by, so that we should **serve in the newness of the Spirit** and not in the oldness of the letter.

**- Romans 7:4-6**

7 What shall we say then? **Is the law sin? Certainly not!** On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, “You shall not covet.” 8 But sin, taking opportunity by the commandment, produced in me all manner of evil desire. For **apart from the law sin was dead.** 9 **I was alive once without the law**, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died. 10 And the commandment, which was to bring life, **I found to bring death.**

**- Romans 7:4-6**

13 Has then what is good become death to me? Certainly not! But sin, that it might appear sin, **was producing death in me through what is good**, so that sin through the commandment might become exceedingly sinful. 14 For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am carnal, sold under sin. 15 For what I am doing, I do not understand. For what I will to do, that I do not practice; but what I hate, that I do.

**- Romans 7:4-6**

16 If, then, I do what I will not to do, I agree with the law that it is good. 17 But now, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. 18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find. 19 For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the evil I will not to do, that I practice. 20 Now if I do what I will not to do, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. 21 I find then a law, that

**- Romans 7:4-6**

evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good. 22 For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. 23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. 24 O wretched man that I am! **Who will deliver me from this body of death?** 25 I thank God—through Jesus Christ our Lord!.

**- Romans 7:4-6**

It's already done.

5 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, 6 knowing this, that **our old man was crucified with Him**, that the body of sin might be done away with, **that we should no longer be slaves of sin.**

**- Romans 6:5-6**

2 because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life **has set you free from the law of sin and death.**  
3 For what **the law was powerless** to do because it was weakened by the flesh, **God did** by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so **he condemned sin in the flesh**, 4 in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

**- Romans 8:2-4**



11 In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your **whole self ruled by the flesh was put off** when you were circumcised by Christ, 12 **having been buried** with him in baptism, in which you were also **raised with him** through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

- **Colossians 2:11-12**

- Through the cross I have been crucified to the world - Gal 6:14
- I died and my life is now hidden with Christ in God - Col 3:3
- I was buried with Jesus in His baptism - Romans 6:4
- My sinful nature was circumcised and taken away by Jesus - Col 2:11
- God made me alive in Christ - Col 2:13
- I was washed, sanctified and justified in Christ - 1 Cor 6:11
- I was raised up with Christ and seated in heavenly realms - Eph 2:6
- I was marked in Christ with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit - Eph 1:13
- He has blessed me with every spiritual blessing in Christ - Eph 1:3

24 To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy— 25 to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

**- Jude 23-25**