

## Get a Life! Ephesians 2:1-10

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### **WE WERE DEAD.**

*As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, <sup>2</sup>in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. <sup>3</sup>All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath. Ephesians 2:1-3 (New International Version)*

*The LORD is . . . slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
Psalm 103:8 (English Standard Version)*

### **BUT GOD MADE US ALIVE.**

*But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—<sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. Ephesians 2:4-7 (ESV)*

*“Father . . . you loved me before the creation of the world.” John 17:24 (NIV)*

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!  
2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV)*

*It is the Spirit who gives eternal life John 6:63a (New Living Translation)*

## **LIFE IS GOD'S UNDESERVED GIFT.**

*For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,<sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2:8-9 (ESV)*

*For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. Romans 5:10 (NLT)*

*Jesus . . . delivers us from the wrath to come. 1 Thessalonians 1:10b (ESV)*

*For all have sinned . . .<sup>24</sup> and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,<sup>25</sup> . . . to be received by faith. Romans 3:23-25a (ESV)*

## **GOD'S NEW LIFE IS MEANT TO TRANSFORM US.**

*For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10 (ESV)*