

**In Christ Study**  
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**In Christ Verses- 201 Passages**

**Jn 14:20; 16:33; 17:21, 22, 23; Ro 3:24; 6:2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 23; 7:4; 8:1, 2, 39; 9:1; 12:4, 5; 15:17; 16:3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 22; 1 Co 1:2, 4, 5, 30, 31; 3:1, 23; 4:10, 15, 17; 6:15, 17; 7:22, 39; 9:1, 2; 10:17; 11:11; 12:13, 18, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28; 15:18, 19, 22, 31, 58; 16:19, 24; 2 Co 1:19, 20, 21; 2:12, 14, 17; 3:14; 4:14; 5:17, 19, 21; 10:7; 12:2, 19; 13:4; Ga 1:22; 2:4, 20; 3:14, 17, 26, 27, 28; 5:6, 10, 24; 6:15; Eph 1:1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13; 2:5, 6, 7, 10, 13, 15, 16, 19, 21, 22; 3:6, 11, 12; 4:4, 5, 16, 17, 21, 22, 24, 32; 5:8, 23, 29, 30; 6:1, 10, 21; Php 1:1, 13, 14, 26; 2:1, 19, 24, 29; 3:1, 3, 9, 14; 4:1, 2, 4, 7, 10, 19, 21; Col 1:2, 12, 14, 18, 24, 28; 2:5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 19, 20; 3:1, 3, 9, 10, 15, 18; 4:7; 1 Th 1:1; 2:14; 4:1, 14, 16; 5:12, 18; 2 Th 1:1; 1 Ti 1:14; 2:7; 3:13; 2 Ti 1:1, 9, 13; 2:1, 10, 11; 3:12, 15; Phm 6, 8, 16, 20, 23; Heb 2:11; 1 Pe 2:5, 9; 3:16; 5:10, 14; 2 Pe 1:4; Jud 1**

**5 Verses in John**

**28 Verses in Romans**

**32 Verses in 1 Corinthians**

**15 Verses in 2 Corinthians**

**12 Verses in Galatians**

**38 Verses in Ephesians**

**19 Verses in Philippians**

**20 Verses in Colossians**

**7 Verses in 1 Thessalonians**

**1 Verse in 2 Thessalonians**

**3 Verses in 1 Timothy**

**8 Verses in 2 Timothy**

**5 Verses in Philemon**

**1 Verse in Hebrews**

**5 Verses in 1 Peter**

**1 Verse in 2 Peter**

**1 Verse in Jude**

**There are additional passages that we can add that refer to the spiritual blessings that flow from being in Christ such as Justification, Positional Sanctification, Redemption; ect. I have found 50 Things given to us at the moment of Faith Alone in Christ Alone. This list refers only to passages that refers to our connection in Christ.**

**There are 65 different term describing the Believer's Union with Christ (NKJV)**

***Proper Names describing our Union with Christ***

**In Christ Jesus-** 42 times Ro 3:24; 8:1, 2; 15:17; 16:3; 1 Co 1:2, 4 (NASB), 30; 4:15; 16:24; Ga 2:4; 3:14, 26, 28; 5:6; 6:15; Eph 1:1; 2:6, 7, 10, 13; Php 1:1; 3:3, 14; 4:7 (NASB); 19 (NASB); 21; Col 1:28; 1 Th 2:14; 5:18; 1 Ti 1:14; 3:13; 2 Ti 1:1, 9, 13; 2:1, 10; 3:12, 15; Phm 6, 23; 1 Pe 5:14

**In the Lord-** 39 times Ro 16:2, 8, 11, 12 (2x), 13, 22; 1 Co 1:31; 4:17; 7:22, 39; 9:1, 2; 11:11; 15:58; 16:19; 2 Cor 2:12 (NASB); Ga 5:10; Eph 2:21; 4:17; 5:8; 6:1, 10, 21; Php 1:14; 2:19, 24, 29; 3:1; 4:1, 2, 4, 10; Col 3:18; 4:7; 1 Th 5:12; Phm 16, 20 (2x)

**In Christ-** 36 times Ro 9:1; 12:5; 16:7, 9, 10; 1 Co 3:1; 4:10, 15, 17; 15:18, 19, 22; 2 Co 1:21; 2:14, 17; 3:14; 5:17, 19; 12:2, 19; Ga 1:22; 3:17; Eph 1:3, 10, 12; 3:6; 4:32; Php 1:13; 2:1; Col 1:2; 2:5; 1 Th 4:16; 1 Ti 2:7; Phm 8; 1 Pe 3:16; 5:10 (NASB)

**In Christ Jesus our Lord-** 5 times Ro 6:11, 23; 8:39; 1 Co 15:31; Eph 3:11

**In the Lord Jesus-** 1 time 1 Thessalonians 4:1

**In Jesus-** 2 times Ephesians 4:21; 1 Thessalonians 4:14

**In Jesus Christ-** 2 times Philippians 1:26; Jude 1

**In God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ-** 1 time 2 Thessalonians 1:1

***Personal Pronouns describing our Union with Christ***

**In the beloved-** 1 times Ephesians 1:6

**In Him-** 15 times 1 Cor. 1:5 (NASB); 2 Co 1:19, 20 (2x); 5:21; 13:4; Eph 1:4, 7, 10, 11; 13, 4:21 (NASB); Php 3:9; Col 2:10, 11

**In Himself-** 2 times Ephesians 1:9; 2:15

**In me-** 3 times John 14:20; 16:33; 17:23

**In whom-** 4 times Ephesians 2:21, 22; 3:12; Colossians 1:14

***Terms Describing Co-Identification Truth***

**Baptized into Christ, baptized into His death, baptism into death, baptized into one body, Baptized into Christ, one baptism-** 6 times Romans 6:3 (2x); 4; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Galatians 3:27; Ephesians 4:5

**Crucified with Him, crucified with Christ, crucified the flesh-** 3 times Romans 6:6; Galatians 2:20; Galatians 5:24

**Died to sin, died, died with Christ, United together in the likeness of His death, died with Him-** 7 times Romans 6:2, 5, 7, 8, Col. 2:20; 3:3; 2 Timothy 2:11

**Buried with Him-** 2 times Romans 6:4; Colossians 2:12

**Raised up together, raised with Him, raised with Christ -** 3 times Ephesians 2:6; Colossians 2:12; 3:1

**Alive together with Christ, alive to God, made alive together with Him-** 3 times Ephesians 2:5; Romans 6:11; Colossians 2:13  
**Sit together in heavenly places-** 1 time Ephesians 2:6  
**Hidden with Christ in God-** 1 time Colossians 3:3

*Terms Describing Union with other body members*

**In one body, one body, baptized into one body, in the body, same body, the body of Christ, His body, the body-** 18 times Romans 12:5; 1 Corinthians 10:17; 12:13, 18, 24, 25, 27; Ephesians 2:16; 3:6, 15; 4:4, 16 (2x); 5:23; Colossians 1:18, 24; 2:19; 3:15

**The church-** 5 times 1 Corinthians 12:28; Ephesians 5:23, 29, Colossians 1:18, 24

**Fellow citizens with the saints-** 1 time Ephesians 2:19

**Members, Members of Christ, members of one another, members individually, members of the household of God, members of His body-** 14 times Romans 12:4 (2x), 5; 1 Corinthians 6:15 (2x); 12:18, 25, 26 (4x), 27, Ephesians 2:19; 5:30

*Miscellaneous Terms describing our Union with Christ*

**One in us, One, of one, one spirit, perfect in one-** 6 times John 17:21 (2x); 22; 23; 1 Cor. 6:17; Hebrews 2:11

**Married to another-** 1 time Romans 7:4

**You are Christ's, we are Christ's, are Christ's, Is Christ's, Is Christ's slave-** 6 times 1 Corinthians 3:23; 7:22; 2 Corinthians 10:7 (3x); Galatians 5:24

**One new man-** 1 time Ephesians 2:15

**Joined to the Lord-** 1 time 1 Corinthians 6:17

**Put off, putting off-** 2 times Ephesians 4:22; Colossians 2:11; 3:9

**Put on-** 2 times Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 3:10

**Put on Christ-** 1 time Galatians 3:27

**In the light, Into His marvelous light-** 2 times Colossians 1:12; 1 Peter 2:9

**With Jesus, with Him-** 2 times 2 Corinthians 4:14; 13:4

**Living stones-** 1 time 1 Peter 2:5

**Spiritual house-** 1 time 1 Peter 2:5

**Partakers of the divine nature-** 1 time 2 Peter 1:4

## **Union with Christ implications**

- 1. A Perfect Legal Standing- 1 Corinthians 1:30; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Philippians 3:9**
  - a. Having Christ righteousness, we are justified-**
  - b. As a result of being in Christ I am a saint- 1 Corinthians 1:2**
- 2. A new Identity- 2 Corinthians 5:17 When we sin we are not acting like who we are in Christ 2 Corinthians 6:9-20**
- 3. Members of the Body of Christ, the Church- 1 Thessalonians 4:16**
- 4. Connected with other believers- Ephesians 2:19**
- 5. Judgement of the Sin Nature- Galatians 2:20; Romans 6:4**
- 6. Eternal Security- Jude 1**
- 7. Set up to live a victorious Christ life- Romans 6:4, 6**
- 8. A Picture of Unity- Ephesians 4:16; 4:1, 3-6**
- 9. Each believer has a unique spiritual gift in the body of Christ-**
- 10. Paul identifies believers in Christ- Romans 16:3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13**

**Reformed theology does not recognize the church's unique position.**

**Reformed theology confused our Union with Christ with our communion with Christ- Notice John 15 and 1 John is not in our list of passages.**

**Reformed Theology does not recognize the Rapture as a unique event for the church- 1 Thessalonians 4:16**

**Union with Christ occurs at the moment of believing the Gospel**

**Union with Christ is permanent**

**The Baptism ministry of the Holy Spirit is the key ministry which places us in Christ. 1 Corinthians 12:13**

**Our Union with Christ is different than our communion with Christ.**

<b>Union</b>	<b>Communion</b>
<b>Permanent</b>	<b>Temporal</b>
<b>Position</b>	<b>Practice</b>
<b>In Christ- Ephesians 1:3</b>	<b>Abide in Christ- John 15:4</b>
<b>Died with Christ- Romans 6:8</b>	<b>Reckon yourselves to be dead Romans 6:11</b>
<b>You were Washed- 1 Cor. 6:11</b>	<b>Cleanse yourself from all filthiness- 2 Cor. 7:1</b>
<b>Reconciled in one body- Ephesians 2:16</b>	<b>Walk worthy- Ephesians 4:1, 3</b>

<b>Light in the Lord- Ephesians 5:8a</b>	<b>Walk as children of Light- Eph 5:8b</b>
<b>Raised with Christ- Col. 3:1; Ephesians 2:6</b>	<b>Set you mind on things above- Col. 3:2</b>
<b>Have put off the old man- Col. 3:9</b>	<b>Put off anger, wrath, ect- Col. 3:8</b>

### **In Christ verses for Fellowship used in John's Writings- 19 times**

**Abides in me-** John 6:56

**Abide in me-** John 15:4 (2x), 5, 6, 7

**Abides in Him-** 1 John 2:6, 28; 3:6, 24; 4:15

**Abide in Him-** 1 John 2:27, 4:13

**Abides in the light-** 1 John 2:10

**Abides in God-** 1 John 4:16

**Abide in the Son-** 1 John 2:24

**Branch in me-** John 15:2 (abiding in the context)

**In Him-** 1 John 2:5; 5:20 (abiding in the context and tied to related term)

1 John 2:5 The immediate context of in Him is in 1 John 2:6 (abides in Him)

1 John 5:20

The statement that **we are in Him** recalls the same expression in 2:5 (“by this we know that we are in Him”) which John immediately links to *abiding* in Him (2:6). As we have seen, “abiding” is John’s description of the experience of “living as a disciple” (cf. John 15:8). So the words **in Him** have a totally different meaning from Paul’s concept of being “in Christ,” but refer instead to the “abiding life” of obedience to God’s commands.<sup>1</sup>

**Observation-** John used the key word abide to describe the believers fellowship with God not the believer’s union with God.

**Colossians 2:10 (NKJV)**

**10** and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.

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<sup>1</sup> Zane Clark Hodges, [\*The Epistle of John: Walking in the Light of God's Love\*](#) (Irving, TX: Grace Evangelical Society, 1999), 245.