

ALL THESE THINGS - 2C 5:18a

INTRODUCTION

1. A favorite verse - 2C5:17. Doctrine of regeneration: new birth. Principle of displacement - uproot weeds as seed germinates & grows
2. v18. next topic: *reconciliation*. Reminds us of all that God has done for us & in us - *in Christ*.

1st: What Things Are We Given?

1. v18 *now all these things* ?
2. v14-15 Christ's love - NCov resurrection life
3. v16 - new perspective on life
4. v17 regeneration - 2C4:6 [Gn 1:1] created & now a new creature. Em 4:17; Col 3:1-4; Eph 2:4-7

2nd: Who Gives Us All These Things?

1. *are from God* - 1C1:30 - Rm 12:36
2. 1C2:12-13 - v16 *the mind of Christ*
3. Things to come *from God* - 1C4:5 the joy of your Master

4. Philip Hughes [201-202] 'As man-in-Christ he is in fact a new creation: a reborn microcosm belonging to the eschatological macrocosm of the new heavens & new earth'

3rd: How Do We Possess All These Things?

1. Rm 8:28-31a God's saving purpose - Eph 1:3-6; Ps 84:11c; 2Pt 1:3
2. We possess all these things *in Christ*. 1C 3:21-23 Is anything missing?
3. Things that threaten to separate us from experiencing Christ's love
 - i. things within
 - ii. things without
 - iii. What do we say about THOSE things?
4. LT - *this is My body given for you - He not spare own Son, how will He not also freely give us all things?*