

## When Will I Be What God Says I Am?

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### Scripture References:

- Ephesians 2:8, 9, *NLT*
- Philippians 2:12
- Hebrews 10:10, 14
- 1 Thessalonians 5:23
- 2 Corinthians 13:11
- Philippians 1:6, *NLT*
- Philippians 2:13, *NLT*
- Psalm 138:8, *NLT*
- Jeremiah 29:11

### Summary:

*On our Christian walk, we're gradually becoming more and more like Jesus Christ. Despite our progress, however, there's still a gap between who God says we are and what we see in our everyday lives; although He says we are the righteousness of God, sometimes we still do unrighteous things. Our faith in Christ is a critical component in this. We must believe what God says we are, even when our lives aren't reflecting that yet. Although our **stance** in perfection was forever determined when we believed in Jesus, our **state** of perfection, which refers to our earthly lives, is still unfinished; understanding this gives us peace and lets God work in us to make us as righteous as He is.*

### Notes:

1. Believers have already been saved, and are becoming more like God every day.
2. Our *stance* as believers is that we have already been perfected in Christ; our *walk* in our perfection is still in process. Our walk refers to our lives on earth; we're not perfect in all of our actions yet.
3. We need faith that God is working in us; we must let Him continue to change us.
4. Our state does not determine our stance; however, if we believe in what Jesus did for us, our *stance* will eventually change our *state*.
5. God is continually working on our state all our lives.

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