Our Reality in Christ

Revelation 2:8-11

Father, when we are like Your Son Jesus,
the world will treat us as it treated Him.
We will suffer as He suffered –
persecution,
need,
false accusations, and
death.

But Father, as You cared for Him,
now exalted to Your right hand,
You will care for us.
And just as we are sharing His sufferings,
we are sharing
His beautiful relationship with You and

His beautiful relationship with You and His unending, unbounded life.

Though we suffer,

we need not fear suffering.

The worst our persecutors can do is to hasten the inevitable death of this body and our eternal reward.

They cannot touch our real life, which is our life in You. (Matthew 10:26-31)

Though we may be poor in the passing goods of this world, we are rich in Christ.

All things are His, and

all things are ours in Him. (1 Corinthians 3:21-23)

People may falsely accuse us.

Satan is the great accuser, and his servants will do his work.

But Christ knows the truth, and

He is judge of all.

He has already declared us completely innocent. (Romans 8:31-39)

If He tarries in His coming,

this body will die.

But Christ is the One who died and rose again, and His resurrection life is already pulsing through us.

Death cannot touch us.

We will rise in Him. (John 11:25-26)

In comfort or suffering,
need or plenty,
glory or shame,
life or death,
we are rich, secure, eternally alive, and abundantly blessed
in You, Father,
through Jesus Christ Your Son.

Hymn: Captives of Eternal Love

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