

FRIDAY

As a child of God, when we surrender our lives to Jesus, the Bible says we are made new. From that moment on you are no longer defined by your mistakes, or anything you do, but are defined by Jesus and His life lived for you. As a child of God, you are:

- You are Complete! God has given you everything you need! How can you improve? **(Colossians 2:10)** "In Him, you have been made complete." Now quit trying harder; let Him work through you.
- You are Loved! **(1 John 3:1)** "How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we are called children of God."
- You are Blameless! **(Colossians 2:13)** He forgave all your sins (past, present, future). On the cross, once for ALL your sins.
- You are Justified! (just-as-if-I-never sinned) **(Romans 8:1)** There is now NO condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
- You are Accepted! **(Romans 15:7)** Accept one another, just as Christ accepts you...
- Christ in Me gives me the strength to say "NO!" to thoughts that are lies and "YES!" to what God says. I am transformed by the renewing of my mind, by thinking new thoughts that agree with what God says; sin, the world, and the enemy put bad thoughts in my mind. I can quickly say no to lies and yes to God. I am confident in Christ and I will live by the Truth. I will "set my mind on things above" **(Colossians 3:2)** – just like the gate says as I enter Camp Timberline. Once I get my mind set and solid, my actions will follow. I am going to erase old, negative thoughts and replace them with God's truths.
- Remind yourself constantly what is true, who God is, what He has done, and who you are.

Questions:

1. Where do you hear messages telling you that you are not complete, loved, blameless, justified, and accepted? What are mistakes you define yourself by?
2. Which of these words feels most difficult for you to believe?
3. When is a time you have felt fully complete, loved, blameless, justified, and accepted?
4. When is a time you felt the freedom to stand with Christ? How can you remember these truths every day?