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The Pastors Message:

God's Sovereignty Part 11

Subject – God's Forgiveness of the Believers Sins

Text - Ephesians 1:7a *"In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins..."*

We must understand why it is people, even those devout people who call themselves "Christians" are unable to figure out how people are saved. But, as Christians we often wonder how people cannot see the redemption in the blood of Jesus Christ. John wrote, *"For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved."* John 3:17 People continually claim that salvation is not in Jesus Christ, that redemption is not in Him, to them it must be in man. Paul wrote, *"Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever."* Amen. Romans 1:25 People cannot get over the very fact that salvation is in God's hand and power and it is not within us to repent and turn to Christ. *"There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God."* Romans 3:11 No matter how hard they try self-redemption, no matter how much they deny Jesus as Saviour and edify themselves, they will all die and go to hell's fire in the end. Lost people, no matter how religious they might be, cannot simply make choices and decisions on spiritual things, because spiritual things are of the Holy Spirit, and can only be gifted. Paul wrote *"But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."* 1 Corinthians 2:14 The word "discerned" means – the inability or no sense of self-proving or coming to a judgment on spiritual things. – This is why the simplest details of the bible to believers is a foreign language to a lost sinner. Therefore, they do not look to God, they so not seek the help of the Holy Spirit who is the teacher or revealer of the scriptures. Paul wrote *"But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal."* 1 Corinthians 12:7 "the manifestation of the Spirit" is the revelation of the word of God, which mankind on their own will never comprehend. Man has not the spiritual ability to judge the scriptures because the scriptures are spiritual. The bible is not like a book a person writes, it is a spiritual book men wrote by the power of the Holy Spirit. Some of the writers did not understand everything they wrote, they just wrote as they were led of the Holy Spirit. But to the believer who the Holy Spirit has revealed it, it is simple.

Therefore, we conclude that to us who are saved we know without question that our sins were paid by the blood of Jesus the Son of man. It was Him that lived in this life, grew in this world, suffered in this world, crucified and shed His blood in this world. Our Redeemer could only be Jesus the Christ. The word “redemption” denotes our deliverance from sin and from the consequences of sin, which has been procured by the atonement made by the Lord Jesus Christ. No other creature in existence can be our redeemer, not even the Father or the Holy Spirit, it was Jesus that shed His blood and that is the payment the Father ordained before the foundation of the world, Jesus blood was the only elected forgiveness of sin. This is the reason, no other being in heaven could open the seven sealed book, then Jesus stepped up, took the book and opened it. After this they sung a new song, *“And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;”* Revelation 5:9 redemption is in Him and He will condemn the lost to everlasting hell’s fire. Jesus proclaimed as He took the last supper after His resurrection, *“For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.”* Matthew 26:28 The word “remissions” means – pardon or forgiveness or our sins. God the Father will not accept any other payment for our sins, that price had to be the Lambs blood. If you cannot believe this, you cannot be saved. We will close with these words of Paul’s writing, “Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:” Colossians 1:12 - 14

“My Gospel”

By Don Fortner

“In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel.”

Romans 2:16

Without question, there is only one true gospel. Every other gospel is a false gospel. Those who preach a false gospel are false prophets; and those who believe a false gospel are yet lost, under the wrath and curse of God (Read Galatians 1:6-8). Serious as that charge is, it cannot be ignored or denied.

I once received a letter from a lady who asked, “How can I be sure the gospel you preach is the only true gospel?” That is a fair, honest, and reasonable question. It is a question you would be wise to ask and a question every preacher should be required to answer. This is my answer: I know that the gospel of salvation by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone is the only true gospel because...

1. This is the only gospel revealed in all the Holy Scriptures (Luke 24:44-47; Acts 13:38-39).
2. This is the only gospel that glorifies God in all his holy attributes (Romans 3:24-26; Psalm 85:10-11)
3. This is the only gospel that honors, magnifies and satisfies all the demands of God’s holy law (Romans 3:31).
4. This is the only gospel that offers hope to helpless, guilty sinners who can do nothing for themselves (Ephesians 2:1-5).
5. This is the only gospel that gives all the glory of salvation to the triune God alone (1 Corinthians 1:29-31).
6. This is the only gospel that completely forbids the boasting of the flesh (Psalm 115:1).
7. This is the only gospel that compels saved sinners to consecrate themselves to God with grateful, devoted hearts (1 Corinthians 6:9-11, 19-20).

This is, as Paul put it, “my gospel.” It is the gospel I believe, the gospel by which I am saved and the gospel I preach incessantly. — “Though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed!”

Church News:

As this virus has changed our lives, let us not allow it to change our relationship with God. It is not in question that God controls every detail of our life. Let us be faithful to God and continue in prayer, for ourselves and the world, especially of those who are God’s Children. Keep in prayer.