

Guilt And Depravity

By C.D. Cole, from his book "Sin — Salvation — Service"

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There are two aspects or branches of sin:

- (1) That which consists of the guilt of some deed committed.
- (2) Inherent corruption or depravity of nature contracted by that guilt. The sinner's standing is that of guilt before the law of God; his state is that of depravity or corruption of nature.

Two things resulted from Adams' first sin:

- (1) He was charged with guilt and condemned by the law of God.
- (2) He lost the likeness of God in holiness and became corrupt. Now which of these, or did both of these branches of sin, come from Adam? Some say the guilt of sin is imputed, hence their baptism of infants lest they should go to Hell. Others say the corruption of nature was imparted. But we believe that sin in its two branches was derived from Adam. Guilt was imputed, and the corruption of nature was imparted or inherited. In other words, depravity or corruption of nature is one of the consequences of Adam's transgression. Does God punish the innocent? The answer is a loud, No! Then we must all have been

represented by Adam in the transgression or we would not be punished with a sinful nature.

The First Adam Discharged

How many of Adam's sins were charged to his posterity? Only one for it is written, "For the judgment was by one (sin) to the condemnation, but the free gift is of many offenses unto justification" (Romans 5:16).

Adam could convey sin to his posterity only as long as he was a public or representative person. Immediately after his first sin, he was put out of office and another covenant was published "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; it shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel" (Genesis 3:15). And when Adam exercised faith in the promised Redeemer, he was acting in a private capacity; otherwise, his faith would have been imputed as well as his sin. Let both writer and reader thank God for the last Adam who is a life-giving Spirit.

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Our Prayer List

"Pray without ceasing."

1 Thessalonians 5:17

Sister Zee Mink Fuller, Her son's Bryan Armstrong and Hunter Hackie, Johnnie Stephens, Alecia Stephens, and children, Frank & Sonya Trusty, Frank & Dawana Reigel, Diane & Smoke, Andrew Preston, Larry & Martha Mollette and Her Family Juanita her daughter, Lana Paul, Larry Mollette II & Family, Kerry Adcock, Kim Reich, Danny Mollette, 12-year-old Lucas, Joshua Kidd, James and Luann Reynolds, Timothy Fails, Jerry Hughes, Shirley King - Son David - and family, Little Cam Works, Sister Ann McSwain, Little Weslynn McClelland, Adrienne Lavina, Pastor Nathan Hille and Sister Cassie and his family, Baby Titus Massey, Ricky Bennett, and Brother Medic, Sister Mhalyn Lavina and children, Brother David and Sister Jevonna O'Neal, Mark and Kathy Johnson, Baby Jud, Sister Rebecca Johnson, Missionary Dan Sullivan and Sister Sunny, Vickie Adkins, Mateo Lorenzo Vero.

Pray For Our Church Supported Mission Works

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Act 1:8

Missionary Dan and Sunny Sullivan in Thailand, and Elder Raul and the Printing work Romania

“A Thought From Our Pastor.”

“Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;” 1 Peter 5:2

Are we hearing the Holy Spirit?

Revelation 2:7a *“He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches;”*

God’s Spirit which we all know as the “Holy Spirit” is more active in our life than we will ever realize. When God says, *“He that hath an ear”* God is saying that if you are saved then you have a spiritual ear, and that spiritual ear allows us to hear God speaking to us through His Spirit. In a believers’ daily life, we may think of the Holy Spirit less than we do, the Father or the Son, however, the Holy Spirit while least thought about is the most active in our life. He quickens our dead spirit, He causes us to have spiritual ears, and spiritual eyes, He also us causes to hear God’s call to salvation and see the gospel and then He gives us the faith to believe. He is the one who not only leads us to salvation, but walks us through the process, He is the one who delivers the completion of our salvation. He lives inside of us and will never leave us, and He works every second of everyday in our life. He teaches us and brings things to remembrance. He also causes us to join a church, and assembles the church, He also sets the membership into the churches and delivers the needs to the churches. He is the very one who authored the bible, He saved, called, and delivered all the writes of the bible, every writer, every word written, and He is the very one who teaches the bible to every believer. John wrote a scripture that sums all this up for us in Joh. 14:26 *“But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.”* So, just remember Paul brilliantly wrote a very humbling truth in 1 Corinthians 15:10 *“But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.”* We are only what God’s grace has made us, and while it is believed that some people do waste God’s grace and others do not, we are still what God’s Holy Spirit has made us. The command from God is, *“let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.”* Not just to the churches but to every believer, the Holy Spirit speaks to us as He calls, saves, teaches, directs our hearts, and brings things to our remembrance. What the Apostle Paul was saying in Corinthians 15:10 is that we owe everything to God that is spiritual and Christian, every accomplishment was because of the powerful leading of the Holy Spirit. Paul listened to the Holy Spirit in his heart, and did exactly as He command, and he did accomplish much because he did not waste

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the grace given to him. You can ask any accomplished minister, and he will never take credit or glory for his work, because if he does then he is not “accomplished.” You may ask, how do I recognize an accomplished Minister or Pastor, He will teach, walk, and live by the scriptures and give every glory for every accomplishment to God and all power to the Holy Spirit. Paul gave all glory to God, then while it may appear he may have taken a smidgin of credit, he ended the verse with these words, *“...yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.”* Jesus said in Matthew 10:19-20 *“But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak. For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.”* And God told the Prophet Jeremiah in Jer. 1:6-7 *“Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child. But the LORD said unto me, Say not, I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak.”* God speaks to the churches, in Rev. chapters 2 & 3 and as He is speaking to the churches, we need to be listening, are we listening to the deep things to these churches? Throughout the entire bible God is speaking to us through the inspired word, God’s Spirit lives in us teaching and reminding us of the word of God, but are we listening? God reminded all seven churches *“He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches;”* Did they? Do we? Or do we ignore the Holy Script of God and do things our way? Think about it and it may surprise you to the true conclusion. Instead of, in regret saying, *“I should have listened to God,”* then listen to Him and be right the first time. Even if it may seem not so right, if God leads you there, then it will be right no matter the outcome. **God is never wrong, and the Holy Spirit will never lead us wrong!**

Church information and Happenings

- Missionary Dan Sullivan is having eye surgery here in the USA.
- Please continue to pray for our church!!!

2 Corinthians 11:13 - 15

“For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.”