

Salvation & Sin - Part II

March 15, 2023



I. The Fall of Man

- A. Discussion: What is sin and how does it affect humanity?
- B. We believe that ungodly men were of old ordained to condemnation, for they received not the love of the truth unto salvation. Henceforth, the wrath of God is upon them, and there is no respect of persons with God.
 - Jude 1:4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.
 - 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

I. The Fall of Man (cont.)

- Romans 2:9-11 Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile; But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: For there is no respect of persons with God.
- C. We believe that sinners are drawn to God the Father, by the Holy Ghost, through Christ His Son, and that the Holy Ghost offers His divine aid to all the human family so that they all might be happy. Such who do not receive the divine working of His Holy Spirit, shall, at a future day, own their condemnation just, and charge themselves with their own damnation, for willfully rejecting the offers of sovereign grace.
 - Matthew 11:27 All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.
 - John 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.



I. The Fall of Man (cont.)

• Revelation 20:11-15 - And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.



II. The Purpose of Salvation

- **Substitution** "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God" (1 Peter 3:18)
- Propitiation "And He is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world." (1 John 2:2)
- Remission of sins "To him (Jesus) gave all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins." (Acts 10:43)
- Reconciliation "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself." (2 Cor. 5:19)
- Redemption "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law." (Gal. 3:13; "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people." (Luke 1:68)



III. Repentance

- 2) What repentance is **NOT!**
 - It is not reformation, the act of turning over a new leaf.
 - It is not remorse, the act of simply regretting the fruit of one's sin:
 - Esau (Hebrews 12:16-17)
 - Judas (Matthew 27:2-4)
 - It is not penitence, the act of attempting to make up for one's sins through good works.



III. Repentance (Cont.)

- A. CHAPTER IX REPENTANCE (Book of Discipline)
 - 1) What repentance is!

The repentance, which the gospel requires, includes:

- a deep conviction,
- a penitential sorrow,
- an open confession, and
- a decided hatred and an entire forsaking of all sin.
- a voluntary and sincere change of mind & heart of the sinner causing them to accept the redemptive work of Christ and turning to and accepting Christ as Savior and Lord.

This repentance God has enjoined on all men; and without it in this life the sinner must perish eternally.

II. The Effects of Salvation

- Regeneration The process whereby God through a second birth imparts to the
 believing sinner a new nature. "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature:
 old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." (2 Cor. 5:17)
- Adoption The baptizing of the new believer into the Body of Christ. "But when the
 fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under
 the law, To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption
 of sons.." (Gal. 4:4-5)
- Justification The judicial act of God which, on account of Christ, to whom the sinner is united by faith, He declares that sinner to be no longer exposed to the penalty of the law, but restored to His favor. "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God." (Romans 5:1-2)

II. The Effects of Salvation (Cont.)

- Indwelling The Holy Spirit not only joins us with the Saviour (through the baptism), He also joins Himself to us by taking up residence in us. "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you" (1 Cor.3:16)
- Sealing The Father's assurance to the believer of the Holy Spirit's continued presence and protection of the soul. "In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory" (Eph. 1:13-14)
- Sanctification (Filling of the Spirit) The process by which the Spirits gets more of the believer (not the believer getting more of the Spirit), making the believer more Christ-like. "Be ye filled with the Spirit (Eph. 5:18); But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law...But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts." (Gal. 5:18, 22-24)



VII. Conclusion:

Discussion

Additional discussion concerning Salvation & Sin

Q&A

What questions do we have regarding Salvation & Sin?



NEXT SESSION

INFALLIBILITY OF SCRIPTURE/JUSTIFICATION

March 22, 2023 6:30 p.m.