

The Gospel of Christ and the Problem of Sin

Lesson #5

How the Gospel Addresses one's

GUILT of Sin

Review

1. The Gospel of Christ is God's power to save.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

(Romans 1:16 KJV)

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3. The Gospel addresses the...
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 - b. The Practice of sin in the command to repent
 - c. One's state in sin (dead) through the command to be baptized.

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What then? are we better than they? No, in no wise: for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin; As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.

(Romans 3:9-11 KJV)

For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all. For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.

(James 2:10-11 KJV)

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*For all have sinned, and come short of the
glory of God;*

(Romans 3:23 KJV)

*Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth
also the law: for sin is the transgression of
the law.*

(1 John 3:4 KJV)

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For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

(Romans 5:6 KJV)

But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

(Romans 10:21 KJV)

Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers,

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For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

(2 Corinthians 5:10 KJV)

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Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

(1 Timothy 4:1-2 KJV)

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*For this is my blood of the new testament,
which is shed for many for the remission of
sins.*

(Matthew 26:28 KJV)

Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

(Luke 24:45-47 KJV)

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10. Remission of sins through faith, repentance and baptism.

And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

(Acts 10:42-43 KJV)

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

(Acts 2:38 KJV)

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The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

(John 1:29 KJV)

Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

(Acts 3:19 KJV)

And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

(Acts 22:16 KJV)

*Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not
impute sin.*

(Romans 4:8 KJV)

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How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

(Hebrews 9:14 KJV)

Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

(Hebrews 10:22 KJV)

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13. We thus have peace and joy.

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 KJV)

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Next Week... Lesson #6

How the Gospel Addresses the POWER of Sin