

The Gospel of Christ and the Problem of Sin

Lesson #6

How the Gospel Addresses the

POWER 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...
 - a. Love of sin through believing in Christ
 - b. The Practice of sin in the command to repent
 - c. One's state in sin (dead) through the command to be baptized.
 - d. Promise of remission of sins answers the guilt of sin

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For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin.

(Romans 7:14 KJV)

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Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

(Romans 7:17 KJV)

Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

(Romans 7:20 KJV)

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*But I see another law in my members,
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bringing me into captivity to the law of sin
which is in my members.*

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 - d. Wretched! , “Body of death” v.24

*O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver
me from the body of this death?*

(Romans 7:24 KJV)

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

(Romans 3:23 KJV)

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

(1 John 1:8 KJV)

If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

(1 John 1:10 KJV)

*Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers
and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts,
which war against the soul;*

(1 Peter 2:11 KJV)

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He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

(John 7:38-39 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. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

(Acts 2:38-39 KJV)

*And we are his witnesses of these things;
and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God
hath given to them that obey him.*

(Acts 5:32 KJV)

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*Know ye not that ye are the temple of God,
and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If
any man defile the temple of God, him shall
God destroy; for the temple of God is holy,
which temple ye are.*

(1 Corinthians 3:16-17 KJV)

What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

(1 Corinthians 6:19 KJV)

But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

(Romans 8:9-11 KJV)

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For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

(Romans 8:2 KJV)

Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

(Romans 8:12-13 KJV)

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The Spirit inspired the written Word

*All scripture is given by inspiration of God,
and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for
correction, for instruction in righteousness:
That the man of God may be perfect,
thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*

(2 Timothy 3:16-17 KJV)

The Word is alive!

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

(Hebrews 4:12 KJV)

“Spirit” and “Word” used as parallels

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. (Colossians 3:16 KJV)

And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; (Ephesians 5:18-19 KJV)

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10. Our attitude toward the word....

*Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I
might not sin against thee.*

(Psalms 119:11 KJV)

I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart.

(Psalms 40:8 KJV)

But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. (Matthew 4:4 KJV)

Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. (Matthew 4:7 KJV)

Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. (Matthew 4:10 KJV)

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