

The Covenant Freedom to Receive All

The Principle of Reversal (6)

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Review: So far we have seen seven issues

<u>Jesus took our:</u>	<u>Scriptures</u>	<u>So we could receive His:</u>
1. Loneliness	Jn 12:32; Is 53:3	1. Nearness, acceptance
2. Sin and depravity	2Cor 5:21	2. Righteousness
3. Guilt	1Jn 2:2	3. Mercy
4. Death	1Cor 15:21	4. Eternal life
5. Bareness	Is 53:10; 2Pt 1:8	5. Fruitfulness
6. Curse	Gal 3:13-14	6. Blessing
7. Slain by Law	Rom 7:1-6	7. Serve in freedom

8. He became a stranger to bring us, who were strangers, into the covenant of God with His people.

Jesus became a man and took our estrangement (alienation) so that we could participate (be included) in all covenantal privileges.

alienation = A state of being separate or apart from something or someone, often accompanied by an awareness of the separation. (from Dictionary of Bible Themes)

We are alienated from God on account of sin.

Ps 39:12 "Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; Do not be silent at my tears; For I am a stranger with You, A sojourner like all my fathers. (Ps 42:3-4, 9-10; 44:23-24;)

Jesus came to do the Father's will

Jn 6:38-38 "For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. (Jn 6:32-38, 41, 50, 58; 1Jn 5:20).

Jesus took our alienation, as he bore the consequences of human sin; it was actual and felt.

Mt 27:46 About the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "ELI, ELI, LAMA SABACHTHANI?" that is, "MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?" (Mk 15:34)

Ps 22:1 My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Far from my deliverance are the words of my groaning.

Isa 49:14 But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, And the Lord has forgotten me."

Jesus took our poverty, alienation, reproaches ...

2 Co 8:9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich.

Ro 15:3 For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, "THE REPROACHES OF THOSE WHO REPROACHED YOU FELL ON ME."

Phil 2:5-8 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. 8 Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

1 Ti 3:16 By common confession, great is the mystery of godliness: He who was revealed in the flesh, Was vindicated in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Proclaimed among the nations, Believed on in the world, Taken up in glory.

We came to Christ as strangers

Eph 2:12-15 remember that you were at that time separate from Christ, excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who formerly were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall,

God gives reassurance of not forgetting us.

Isa 49:14-16 But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, And the Lord has forgotten me." 15 "Can a woman forget her nursing child And have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, but I will not forget you. 16 "Behold, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me.(Isa 43:1-5; 44:21; 54:7; Jer 31:20)

Jn 6:38-38 "For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. (Jn 6:32-38, 41, 50, 58; 1Jn 5:20)

We are now

1Pt 2:9-10 But you are a CHOSEN RACE, A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR God's OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; 10 for you once were NOT A PEOPLE , but now you are THE PEOPLE OF GOD; you had NOT RECEIVED MERCY, but now you have RECEIVED MERCY.

God's possession

(Ex 19:5; Dt 4:20; 7:6; 14:2; 26:18; 32:9; Ps 135:4; Mal 3:17; Tit 2:14; Isa 43:1; Jer 10:16)

God's people

(Rom 9:22-26; Tit 2:14; Heb 8:10-11; Rev 3:12; 21:3; Jer 30:22; 31:33; 32:38)

Citizens

Eph 2:19-22 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, 20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone, 21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord, 22 in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

Phil 3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ (Heb 12:22; 13:14; Rev 3:12)

Saints

Eph 2:19 ... you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household

Col 1:19-23 For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him, 20 and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven. 21 And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, engaged in evil deeds, 22 yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach-- (Col 1:15-26; 2:2,9; 1Ti 1:17; 1Jn 5:20; Isa 7:14; Mt 1:23; Lk 1:35)

Sons

Gal 4:4-7 But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, 5 so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. 6 Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God. (Gal 3:26; Hos 1:10; Rom 8:14-17; 9:26; 2Cor 6:18; Jn 1:12)

9. He was captured so that we who live in captivity might be freed. Jesus willingly took our bondage so that we could live in freedom.

Jesus laid down His life (as a sacrifice) willingly.

Jn 10:18 "No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father." (Jn 10:11; 15, 17-18; 13:1; 15:13; 1Jn 3:16)

Isa 53:10 ... If He would render Himself as a guilt offering, ...

Jn 18:4-9 So Jesus, knowing all the things that were coming upon Him, went forth and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" 5 They answered Him, "Jesus the Nazarene." He said to them, "I am He." And Judas also, who was betraying Him, was standing with them. 6 So when He said to them, "I am He," they drew back and fell to the ground. 7 Therefore He again asked them, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus the Nazarene." 8 Jesus answered, "I told you that I am He; so if you seek Me, let these go their way," 9 to fulfill the word which He spoke, "Of those whom You have given Me I lost not one."

Jesus was arrested and bound as He stood trial.

Jn 18:12 So the Roman cohort and the commander and the officers of the Jews, arrested Jesus and bound Him, ... (Mt 27:2; Mk 15:1)

Prophetic picture and declaration of the Messiah being bound

Ps 124:7-8 Our soul has escaped as a bird out of the snare of the trapper; The snare is broken and we have escaped. 8 Our help is in the name of the LORD ... (Ps 25:15; 91:3)

Ps 118:26-27 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD; We have blessed you from the house of the LORD. 27 The LORD is God, and He has given us light; Bind the festival sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar.

Gen 22:9 Abraham bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the wood on the altar.

Jesus was bound for our freedom

1. To free prisoners from their dark dungeons (Jn 8:31-36)

Jn 8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

Jn 8:36 "So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

Isa 42:6-7 ... I have called You in righteousness, ... I will appoint You as a covenant to the people, As a light to the nations, 7 To open blind eyes, To bring out prisoners from the dungeon And those who dwell in darkness from the prison. (Isa 42:22; 45:13; 49:9; 51:14; 58:6;

Ps 102:19-20; 146:7; Zec 9:11-12)

Luke 4:18 "the Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor. he has sent me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, (Isa 61:1-2)

Gal 5:1 It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery. (Gal 5:13; 2Cor 3:17)

2. To be sons of God

Gal 4:3-5 So also we, while we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental things of the world. 4 But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, 5 so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

3. To be free from bar slavery to the devil

Heb 2:14-15 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.

4. To take the keys of death and Hades from the devil.

Ac 2:24 "But God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power.

Isa 25:8 He will swallow up death for all time, And the Lord GOD will wipe tears away from all faces, And He will remove the reproach of His people from all the earth ...(Isa26:19; Hos 13:14)

Rev 1:18 and the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades

5. To give us all things freely

Rom 8:32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things?

1 Cor 2:12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God, (Ps 112:9; Isa 32:20; Hos 14:4; Mt 10:8)

Next Week:

10. God turned His back on Jesus so that He could turn His face towards us (2 Cor 3:6; Mt 26:46).

11. He bore our guilt so that we who were guilty might be free (Rom 3:25).