

Introductions – Welcome to New People

We are “Laying the Foundations for Grace.” Last week we talked about “Man’s Desperate Unsaved Condition.”

How does scripture describe an unsaved person?

What was your spiritual condition before you were saved?

Does Man Have A Free Will?

2<sup>nd</sup> we discussed “The Law.” We left the subject without fully completing it. So I have a few final questions about The Law.

1. Has anyone Ever Been Saved by Obeying the Law? (Romans 3:20)
2. Was The Law Ever Given To Gentiles?
3. Who is the Law for? (1 Timothy 1:9)
4. Why May We Not Want The Ten Commandments To Be The One Of The First Things We Teach Our Children?
5. What Replaces the Law in a Believer’s Life?

## **6. SALVATION:**

1. Do good works lead to salvation or does salvation lead to good works?
2. Without the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ there is no forgiveness of sins (Hebrews 9:22)
3. How Has the Message of the Gospel (Salvation) Been Misrepresented In Churches Today?

4. Facts About Salvation - What Is Salvation?

5. **Salvation is the work of God from beginning to end – No place for boasting!!!** It Is Finished ( John 19:30)

**SALVATION BELONGS TO OUR GOD (Revelation 7:10) – All the praise for our salvation belongs to God the Father and Jesus – He is totally responsible**

1. God predestined us – We are the Elect (Romans 8:29-30,32) (Ephesians 1:5,11) (Mark 13:20,22,27)

2. God chose us – Chosen in Him before the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4)

Chosen from the beginning for salvation (2 Thessalonians 2:13)

He chose us we didn’t choose Him (John 15:16)

He will have mercy on whom He chooses (Romans 9:15-16)

Jesus Will Give Eternal life To All The Father Has Given Him (John 17:2)

3. Jesus died for us - God’s love demonstrated while we were still sinners Christ died (Romans 5:8)

4. God draws us - No one can come to Jesus unless the Father draws them (John 6:44)

As many as the Lord will call (Acts 2:39)

5 .Holy Spirit awakens the unregenerate dead sinner (Ephesians 2:1,5 / Colossians 2:13)

6 .Jesus Saves Us (John 3:16) (Acts 4:12)

7. God Covenants with us – You will be my people – I will be your God (Hebrews 8:10)

8. Jesus Sanctifies Us/Transforms our behavior (2 Corinthians 3:18/Romans 12:2/I Thessalonians 4:3)

9. God works in us both to will and to do His good pleasure (Philippians 2:13)

10. Jesus’ power keeps us (Romans 8:38-39 / 1 Peter 1:4-5)

11. Jesus will complete the work of Salvation He began in you (Philippians 1:6)

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.Jesus the Author & Finisher of our Faith (Hebrews 12:2)

12. God will Glorify us (Romans 8:30)

13. He will take Us to a "Place" He has prepared for us!!! (John 14:1-3)

Watchman Nee - From Start To Finish He Is The One who Does It All!!!

Christianity is the only Faith where the Creator took responsibility for eternal salvation for the created.

Christianity is the only Faith where the Creator took responsibility for Man's redemption and made a way that man could fully please Him!!!

6. How Did God Make The 1<sup>st</sup> Move in restoring our relationship with Him?

7. Salvation Is Really An Exchange Of Our Life For His - For God made Jesus who knew no sin to Be Sin that We might Become the Righteousness of God in Him (2 Cor. 5:21)

8. How were people saved in the Old Testament before the cross?

The Blood of Jesus flows back in history to cleanse those who lived before the Cross in Faith!! (Hebrews 9:15)

The Lamb Slain From Before the Earth Was Created!!! (Revelation 13:8)

Abel – Enoch – Noah – Abraham – Isaac – Jacob – Joseph – Moses' Parents – Moses – Rahab (Hebrews 11)

GRACE THROUGH FAITH!!!!!!

9. Why does it seem so hard for people to understand and become believers

10. Without \_\_\_\_\_ it is impossible to please God.

11. When we stand before God on judgment day, what will be our only defense to go to Heaven?

Salvation is really a surrendering of all our efforts both well intentioned and evil and putting our Trust/Faith/Confidence in Jesus only to save us!!!

Saving Faith comes when someone stops trusting their own goodness or works and puts all their trust in Christ for salvation.

Martin Luther was one that stood up for The Gospel (Salvation By Jesus Alone) against an entire denomination in fear of death for this truth!!!

The Gospel is not about behavior modification but Heart Transformation

God determines our identity not by behavior but by Birth

SIN is a VERB and a Noun – It is not only what we do but who we are!!!!

Living out the transformed life of salvation is lived best by focusing on relationship and not on obeying rules!!!

**BIBLICAL DEFINITIONS:**

Atonement - Satisfaction Of God's Laws And Justice

Impute - To Put Upon / To Reckon or Count

Irreproachable – Blameless / Without Disgrace or Shame / No Criticism or Disappointment  
Without Rebuke / Honored

Justification – Declared Righteous / Right with God / Legal Term for Acquittal / Not Guilty  
Just as if you never sinned – Just as if you have always lived righteous

Propitiation – 2 Parts: 1. Appeasing Wrath or Anger Of Offended Party 2. Being Reconciled

Redemption – Paying a Price to Return Something to Your Possession / Buy Back / Ransom / Purchase

Regeneration – Rebirth / New Life / Imparting of God's Nature / New Nature / Born of God

Remission – Forgiveness

Sanctified – Change Brought About By God in The Believer To Conform Them To Christ /Set Apart

**SANCTIFICATION:**

1. A.W. Pink – Just as the Sinner's Despair of any Hope from Himself is the 1<sup>st</sup> requirement of a sound conversion so the loss of all confidence in himself is the 1<sup>st</sup> essential in the Believer's growth in Grace!!!!
2. We are not only saved by Grace, but we also live by Grace every day of our lives. It is this truth that seems to be so little understood or practiced by Christians.

**CONCLUSIONS ABOUT SALVATION:****STATEMENTS ABOUT THE OLD COVENANT OF LAW:**

Becoming Obsolete (Hebrews 8:13)

Ready to Vanish Away (Hebrews 8:13)

Fulfilled (Matthew 5:17)

Old Covenant Law is a Shadow – Foreshadowing of Heavenly Things (Hebrews 8:5) (Colossians 2:14-17)

**6. THE GLORIOUS NEW COVENANT:**

I Will Be There God and They Will Be My People (Hebrews 8:10)

Prophesied in the Old Testament (Ezekiel 11:19-20 / Ezekiel 39:25-28)

(Jeremiah 24:4-7 / 31:31-34 / 32:38-41/ 33:16)

Much of the Church World Today Lives in a Mixture between Old & New Covenants

## **BLESSINGS OF THE NEW COVENANT:**

1. A New Priesthood - Permanent Priesthood – Change In Priesthood (Hebrews 7:12, 24)
2. A Plan And A Purpose For Life (Jeremiah 29:11 /Romans 8:28)
3. Abundant Life (John 10:10)
4. Accepted In The Beloved (Ephesians 1:6)
5. Access (Romans 5:2 / Ephesians 2:18)
6. Adoption (Romans 8:15,23 / Galatians 4:5 / Ephesians 1:5)
7. All Needs Supplied (Phil. 4:19)
8. All Things – Every Spiritual Blessing (Romans 8:32/ Ephesians 1:3)
9. All Things New (II Cor. 5:17)
10. Answered Prayer (1 John 5:14)
11. Atonement (Romans 5:11)
12. Blameless - Faultless (Ephesians 1:4 / 5:27 / Jude 1:24 / Colossians 1:22 / Ephesians 5:27)
13. Blessings Of Abraham - Blessed (Galatians 3:14)
14. Born Again – Born From Above (John 3:3)
15. Brotherhood of Believers – Brothers (I Peter 2:17 / I John 2:10)
16. Cannot Be Separated From The Love Of God (Romans 8:35)
17. Change Kingdoms – Citizenship (Philippians 3:20)
18. Changed Nature – Divine Nature – New Nature – New Heart – Desire To Follow God – Circumcision Of The Heart (2 Peter 1:4 / Romans 2:29/ Ezekiel 36:26))
19. Children of Light (Eph. 5:8)
20. Chosen – We Are His People (John 15:16 / Romans 8:10)
21. Co-Heir With Christ - Heir Of God - Joint Heirs (Romans 8:17)
22. Eternal Life – Everlasting Life (Romans 6:23 / 1 John 5:11-13)
23. Exchanged Life With Christ (2 Corinthians 5:21)
24. Every Good And Perfect Gift (James 1:17)
25. Eyes Opened (Acts 26:18)
26. Forgiveness For All Our Sins (Acts 26:18 / Ephesians 1:7 /Colossians 1:14, 2:13 / Hebrew 1:3, 10:18)
27. Freedom - Liberty (John 8:32,36 /Romans 6:18,22,8:2/ Galatians 5:1 / 2 Corinthians 3:17)
28. Friendship With God (John 15:15 / Romans 5:10)
29. Fruits Of The Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23 / Ephesians 5:9)  
Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness
30. God's Grace – God Is For Us – Grace Piled Upon Grace – Grace Lavished On Us (John 1:15-17 / Ephesians 1:8)
31. He Is Our God (Hebrews 8:10)
32. He Never Leaves Us (Hebrews 13:5 /Matthew 28:20)
33. Healing – Spiritual – Mental - Physical (1 Peter 2:24)
34. Help In Trouble (Psalms 46:1)
35. Holy – Holiness (Ephesians 1:4 / Colossians 3:12)
36. Holy Spirit Indwelling – Father - Jesus (Romans 8:11 / 2 Timothy 2:14 / Colossians.
37. Irreproachable – Above Reproach (Colossians 1:22)
38. Jesus Interceding For Us (Romans 8:34)
39. Justification - Justified (Acts 13:38 / Romans 3:26, 5:1,8:33 / Hebrews 10:14)

40. Laws Written Upon Our Hearts (Hebrews 8:10-12, 10:16-18)
41. Made Alive - Brought Back To Life (Ephesians 2:1)
42. New Creation – Regeneration (2 Corinthians 5:17) (Titus 3:5)
43. No Condemnation (Romans 8:1)
44. Old Nature Removed - Put Off Old Man - Crucified Old Man (Romans 6:6 / Colossians 2:11,3:9)
45. Old Things Passed Away (I Cor. 5:17)
46. One Sacrifice – Once For All (I Peter 3:18 / Hebrews 7:27, 9:12)
47. Peace With God (Romans 5:1)
48. Prayers Answered (1 John 5:14-15)
49. Propitiation (Romans 3:25 / 1 John 2:2)
50. Reconciled To God – Full Fellowship Restored (Romans 5:10 / Colossians 1:21)
51. Redemption (Ephesians 1:7)
52. Rescued – Delivered (Colossians 1:13 / 1 Thess. 1:10)
53. Rest (Matthew 11:28-30 / Hebrews 4:3)
54. Restored Image Of God (Colossians 3:10 / Ephesians 4:24 / 2 Corinthians 5:17)
55. Rich – Enriched – Abundantly Supplied – Prosperity (2 Corinthians 8:9)
56. Righteousness Of God Imputed – Gift Of Righteousness (Romans 1:17, 4:11, 5:17)
57. Saints (Ephesians 4:12 / Colossians 1:26)
58. Sanctified (1 Corinthians 1:2, 6:11 / Acts 26:18 / Hebrews 10:14)
59. Saved – To The Uttermost (Ephesians 2:8 / Hebrews 7:25)
60. Sealed By The Holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:13 / Romans 8:16)
61. Seated In The Heavens (Ephesians 2:6)
62. Sins Not Imputed (2 Corinthians 5:19 / Romans 4:8)
63. Son Of God – Child Of God (Galatians 3:26,4:5-6 / John 1:12, 3:2)
64. Spiritual Sight – Turned From Darkness To Light (Acts 26:18)
65. Sufficiency In All Things (2 Corinthians 9:8)
66. Unconditional Love – Love (Romans 5:8)
67. Unimaginable Things God Has Prepared For Us (I Corinthians 2:9)

### **MORE ABOUT THE NEW COVENANT:**

1. It has been said that the person who understands the distinction between the covenant of works and the covenant of grace is a master of divinity
2. A Will is never in effect until a person dies
3. The NEW COVENANT began after Jesus died and rose again!!! God does not write the Law of “No Pork” or “Sacrifices of Animals” or even The Ten Commandment but rather “The Royal Law Of Love”. (Hebrews 8:10)
4. We are ministers of the New Covenant – Letter Kills – Spirit Gives Life (2 Corinthians 3:6)
5. Blood Of The New Covenant Shed For Many For The Remission Of Sins (1 Corinthians 11:25)
6. Jesus Mediator Of New Covenant (1 Timothy 1:1)
7. Must have New Wineskins for New Wine (Luke 5:37-39)

## **LAW/OLD TESTAMENT SYSTEM V.S. NEW COVENANT:**

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Sacrifice – How Many

Priesthood – How Many

Presence of God

How long does it last?

Who is it for?

Forgiveness/Covering of sin?

Holy Spirit

Location of these laws

Note: Old Covenant Priests Stood - New Covenant Jesus Sits!!!! Why? (Hebrews 10:11-12)

## **NEW COVENANT QUESTIONS:**

1. When did the NEW COVENANT begin?
2. Is Sin dealt with differently under the NEW COVENANT than the Old?
3. What is better about the New Covenant than the Law?
4. What are some contrasts between The Law and The New Covenant?
5. What benefits are you very thankful for that you have in Christ
6. What is justification?
7. What is sanctification?
8. What is Imputed Righteousness?
9. Which "Righteousness" are you depending on?

## **THE OLD MAN DIED – CHRIST HAS REMOVED OUR OLD SINFUL NATURE:**

Crucified with Christ (Galatians 2:20)

Old Man was Crucified (Romans 6:2-3,5-8,11,7:4)

Christ Circumcised You by Putting Off The sinful Nature (Colossians 2:11)

You Died and Your Life Is Hidden With Christ In God (Colossians 3:2-3)

Put off Old Man (Colossians 3:9)

Put Off the Old Man (Ephesians 4:22)

## **CONCLUSIONS ABOUT THE NEW COVENANT:**