

Since we are fully represented in him, his blood is the ransom that secures our redemption. His forgiving us our sins measures the wealth of His grace. This grace shown towards us communicates a wisdom and discernment of our worth that completely surpasses any definition (Eph. 1:7-8).

We are FULLY REPRESENTED in Him. He didn't just take our sin for us; He became us in sin so that HIS blood could secure our freedom. The NKJV says that we "have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins." The word "have" is a great word. It means "to have and hold...implying continued possession." It is IN HIM that we have continued possession of redemption. To step outside of Him and to think there is another way is to lose possession of redemption. THE MOST COMMON WAY CHRISTIANS DO THIS IS BY BECOMING A LEGALIST AND BELIEVING YOU MUST PERFORM IN ORDER TO BE JUSTIFIED. Listen to [Galatians 5:1-4](#) in NKJV and then the Mirror Bible.

[Galatians 5:1-4](#) (NKJV)

¹ Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.

² Indeed I, Paul, say to you that if you become circumcised, Christ will profit you nothing.

³ And I testify again to every man who becomes circumcised that he is a debtor to keep the whole law.

⁴ You have become estranged from Christ, you who *attempt to* be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.

Read out of MIRROR BIBLE.

"...equally irrelevant does Christ become to anyone who continues to pursue righteousness under the law."

Estranged in the Greek means "to render inactive, be of no effect." With Paul is ALWAYS denotes COMPLETE CESSATION, not a temporary or partial ceasing. Christ is RENDERED INACTIVE when we choose works in place of grace. Paul repeatedly states in His epistles that God called us in the grace of Christ. He understood the incredible concept of grace. Grace is a pursuit of us based on God's decision and strong arm to save us. We cannot do anything in our own strength or works to deserve this grace or God would be indebted to us. To God, being justified by the law is falling from grace.

What Jesus Christ believes to be true about you is the final confirmation of man's redeemed sonship. His faith is the only valid reference to your belief! Whoever is immersed in Christ is fully clothed with Him! He is your brand new wardrobe confirming your sonship! (From now on the diaper days are over!) [Gal. 3:26-27](#) MIRROR

There are many voices that try to tell you who you are, your identity, your parents, your school peers, your teachers, then your spouses, then your kids, then your employers and coworkers, your talents or lack of, the media, and even the church. But the ONLY VOICE THAT IS TO DEFINE YOU IS JESUS CHRIST!

His forgiveness of our sins measures the wealth of His grace and this GRACE SHOWN TOWARD US COMMUNICATES A WISDOM AND DISCERNMENT OF OUR WORTH THAT SURPASSES ANY DEFINITION! There is no way to fully and accurately define our worth in His eyes on this earth. IT IS ONLY SPIRIT TO SPIRIT. It is SUPERNATURAL REVELATION that reveals our worth to Him. And the best place to start is by revelation of His forgiveness.

I believe that forgiveness has become an abstract concept or sterile idea that doesn't carry much power or weight for most believers. We've been trained that we are still sinners or we forget from what we have been forgiven.

Listen to this story:

[Luke 7:36](#) (WuestNT)

³⁶ Now a certain one of the Pharisees was asking Him to dine with him. And having come into the home of the Pharisee, He reclined at the dinner table. And behold, there was a woman of the city who was in

character a sinner stained with vice, and having come to know that He was taking dinner in the home of the Pharisee, having brought an alabaster cruse of a fragrant ointment, she stood behind Him beside His feet, weeping audibly. With her tears falling like rain she began to be wetting His feet, and she dried them with the hairs of her head. And she kissed His feet tenderly again and again, and began applying the fragrant ointment. ³⁹ But the Pharisee, the one who had invited Him, said in himself, saying, This fellow, if he were a prophet, would in that case have known who and what-sort of a woman is touching him, that she is a vile sinner. And answering, Jesus said to him, Simon, I have something to say to you. Indeed, Teacher, he said, Say it. There were two debtors who were obligated to a certain moneylender. The one was owing five hundred denarii, and the other, fifty. Since they did not have the funds with which to repay him, he graciously forgave both. Therefore, who of them will love him more? Answering, Simon said, I assume, the one whom he so graciously forgave the more. And He said to him, You judged correctly, And having turned around to the woman, to Simon He said, Do you see this woman? I entered your home, and water to me to wash the dust from my feet you did not give, but this woman with her tears wet my feet and with her hair wiped them dry. A kiss you did not give me, but this woman from the time I entered has not ceased to kiss my feet tenderly and again and again. With common oil you did not anoint my head, but this woman with fragrant ointment massaged my feet. Wherefore I am saying to you, Forgiven are her sins which are many, because she loved much. Yes, to whom little is forgiven, little does he love. And He said to her, Your sins are forgiven. And those at the table with Him began to be saying among themselves, Who is this fellow who even forgives sins? And He said to the woman, Your faith has saved you. Be going away into a state of peace.

THE REVELATION OF YOUR DEBT HE HAS FORGIVEN DETERMINES THE LEVEL THAT YOU LOVE HIM. It is a great place to start in understanding the **WEALTH OF HIS GRACE**, which in turn **COMMUNICATES THE INCREDIBLE WORTH YOU HAVE** to Him. I.e. **in spite of your sin, He pursued you with His grace. In spite of your debt owed, He outrageously pursued you! He was driven by an insane love to redeem you!**

The secret is out! The cherished love dream now unfolds in front of our very eyes. In the economy of the fullness of time, everything culminates in Christ; all that is in heaven and all that is on earth is reconciled in Him ([Eph. 1:8-9](#)).

The NKJV of this passage calls this "cherished love dream" "the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure." The "cherished love dream" is that **ALL THINGS WILL BE SUMMED UP, FIND ITS PERFECTION AND FULFILLMENT AND BE CONSUMMATED IN CHRIST**. Consummate according to the dictionary means "TO BRING TO A STATE OF PERFECTION" and "TO COMPLETE."

[Ephesians 1:9-10](#) (NKJV)

⁹ having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself,

¹⁰ that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth--in Him.

Mystery in the Greek is "the secret purposes and counsels which God intends to carry into effect in His kingdom" and is revealed to us and is **NOT DIFFICULT** to understand by the Spirit-enlightened believer." This mystery of Christ, the church age, and the end time consummating of all things was hidden from Israel. The Jews did not see the fact that we as Gentiles are now partakers of the same promises given to Abraham and are now spiritual Jews and part of the one-new man in Christ. What is amazing about the word "will" is that it is a **DESIRE BASED UPON THE EMOTIONS** meaning God's will or desire here **COMES FROM HIS HEART OF LOVE**.

Sometimes we view God as a methodical and even cold manager who is systematically restoring all that was lost like someone who goes through a "to-do list" even at the expense of relationships. But **THIS ENTIRE THING FROM START TO FINISH IS FOR US AND BECAUSE HE LOVES US. THAT IS HIS MOTIVE--LOVE**. For example, when He delivered Israel from Egypt it was to bring them **TO HIMSELF** so He could have relationship with Him. **BUT THEY DID NOT UNDERSTAND THAT** and so

forfeited intimacy with Him for the golden calf, the promise land due to unbelief, and love for the Law. This desire on God's part was dominated by His good pleasure meaning it BRINGS HIM PLEASURE TO POUR OUT HIS LOVE, HIS DELIGHT, AND ALL THINGS FOR OUR WELL-BEING. If we are not careful, we will stay in the mindset of slaves instead of friends. We will view God as a hard taskmaster instead of Father and husband.

Hosea 2:16 (NKJV)

¹⁶ "And it shall be, in that day," Says the LORD, "That you will call Me 'My Husband,' And no longer call Me 'My Master,'

Master implies OWNER and POSSESSOR. Husband implies AFFECTION OF A FAMILY RELATIONSHIP. If you approach God as an owner, an employer, a master, you will enter into the mindset of a hireling and an older brother. A hireling is a "wage-worker (good or bad), a hired servant. It indicates ONE WHO IS NOT SHOWING REAL INTEREST IN HIS DUTY AND WHO IS UNFAITHFUL. I.e. you are **IN IT FOR THE PAYCHECK**. This mentality causes one to quit or run away when things get hard or there is opposition. A hireling also has entitlement feeling that others, especially the employer, owes him. Due to fear and laziness, a hireling will do the minimal effort required.

Matthew 25:24-30 (NKJV)

²⁴ Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed.

²⁵ And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, *there* you have *what is* yours.'

²⁶ But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.

²⁷ So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest.

²⁸ Therefore take the talent from him, and give *it* to him who has ten talents.

²⁹ For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away.

³⁰ And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

You can see in this parable that the wicked servant had a wrong perception of which the Lord was and, therefore, had a wrong perception of who he was and what he was called to do with what he was given. It also produced a fear, which in the Greek means TO CAUSE TO RUN AWAY. DUE TO A LACK OF IDENTITY DUE TO A LACK OF UNDERSTANDING WHO CHRIST IS, MANY BELIEVERS LIVE OF A LIFE OF MINIMAL EFFORT, A LACK OF INTIMACY WITH GOD, AND BELOW AVERAGE DECISIONS, CONVERSATIONS, ACTIVITIES, AND MORE. **There is no reason for it. GOD HAS MADE PLAIN HIS LOVE FOR US AND CHRIST HAS MADE PLAIN OUR IDENTITY WITHIN US.** For this reason, Jesus says that such are wicked and lazy. Wicked means EVIL IN A MORAL OR SPIRITUAL SENSE THAT CAN CORRUPT OTHERS AND IS OFTEN ASSOCIATED WITH ENVY. Why is wicked associated with envy? Because the wicked servant looks at the God success of the other faithful servants and instead of learning from them and making right decisions is, instead, envious and entitled. Lazy means "to be slow, to delay." Also speaks of those who are irksome and tiresome to others, especially leaders.

Such are in danger of losing their reward. In verse 30, the UNPROFITABLE servant is cast into outer darkness. Unprofitable means ONE WHO IS SET ASIDE AND NO LONGER USEFUL. It is one who is USELESS and GOOD FOR NOTHING. It is used to describe those who are merely taking up space contributing nothing good to mankind! BUT IF YOU UNDERSTAND THAT ALL THAT GOD HAS DONE FOR US IS BECAUSE OF HIS EXTRAVAGANT LOVE FOR US AND THAT WE ARE HIS PRIMARY MOTIVATION THAN YOU HAPPILY TAKE THE THINGS GIVEN AND USE THEM TO CONTRIBUTE TO HIS KINGDOM. **You operate from a place of love in which you, too, lay down your life happily for His pleasure and the benefit of those He loves.**

By living your life in such a way, you are actually taking part in what Paul called the "dispensation of the fullness of times." Times is "kairos" not chronos. This is important. Chronos is simply the passage of time

like we see each second to minute to hour to day to week to month to year, etc. But kairos is opportune times. It is the "epoch-making periods foreordained of God...when all that has been slowly, and often without observation ripening through long ages is mature and COMES TO BIRTH IN GRAND DECISIVE EVENTS, which constitute at once the close of one period and the commencement of another. And what is at the end of this DISPENSATION OF THE FULLNESS OF TIMES? The culmination of all things in Christ. It means in the Greek "TO BRING BACK TO AND GATHER ROUND THE MAIN POINT." It is a "POINTING BACK TO A PREVIOUS CONDITION WHERE NO SEPARATION EXISTED."

As the second Adam without sin, the spiritual man Jesus, of whom we now have His identity and His Spirit living in us, He will return and all things will be restored back to the place before the separation of mankind and God and creation and God due to sin.

2 Peter 3:10-13 (NKJV)

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

¹¹ Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,

¹² looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat?

¹³ Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

Hasten means "urge on (diligently or earnestly). One translation says "expecting and HELPING TO HASTEN THE COMING OF" and another says "AND WORK TO HASTEN IT ON." There are things that we, as Christians, are called to do that can help or not help the return of the Lord. Revelation lets us know that it is the worship and prayer of the saints that causes heaven's court to be convened and kick off the opening of the seals. THESE ARE ACTIONS OF MATURE SAINTS WHO KNOW THEIR IDENTITY AND THE TIMES THEY ARE LIVING IN. **It is for this reason that the enemy seeks to keep us self-centered, self-focused, afraid, hesitant, lazy, distracted, and immature because he knows that IT IS A BRIDE WHO HAS MADE HERSELF READY that will bring an end to this age.**

Ephesians 1:9-10 (WuestNT)

"having made known to us the mystery of His will according to that which seemed good to Him, which good thing He purposed in himself, with respect to an administration of the completion of the epochs of time to bring back again to their original state all things in the Christ, the things in the heavens and the things on the earth, in Him"

ASSIGNMENT:

1. WRITE DOWN NAMES OF EACH PERSON ON INDEX CARD & IN PRAYER TIME WRITE PROPHETIC PHRASES/WORDS FOR EACH PERSON. RECORD PROPHETIC.
2. HOMEWORK OF SPIRITUAL GIFTS & BRING PAST PROPHETIC WORDS TO NEXT CLASS.