

**Welcome friends to another broadcast of “Morsels for Zion’s Poor”**

Men sin because they are sinners, having inherited the corrupt nature of their father, Adam, whom the LORD created in order to demonstrate the glory of HIS grace, in his redemption. None of the activities which occurred in the Garden of Eden, happened by chance nor was man created in some sort of probationary period where he was put on trial to see what he would do. He was designed to fulfill the exact purpose for which he was created and his subsequent sin was as much ordained by the hand of GOD as was the creation of the moon and the stars.

The lovers of free will let out a collective gasp and immediately say that to say such is to make GOD the author of sin. In saying this, they assume that it is possible for the potsherd of the Earth to “blame” GOD, while they deny that they do so, by exalting man as a free moral agent who can choose (as they suppose), to do good as easily as he can do evil. Adam could only do what he did, and by doing so demonstrated his corruptible nature, just like Judas who sprang from his loins, and every other member of the human race from that time forward.

GOD made man to be without excuse and does dare men to find some fault with HIM in whatever HE would ordain to do. *“Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus? Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?”* It is impossible for man to put GOD on trial or to bring any accusation of wrongdoing (whether hypothetically perceived or real) against HIM. Whatever GOD does is right, and HE does not need any input or aid from the creature to establish HIS sovereign right to do as HE wills with that which HE alone has created out of nothing. Nothing exists without HIM.

We can see most plainly that men are sinners, by birth, by choice, and by practice. Every evil thought proceeds from their own corrupt nature and *“all have sinned and come short of the glory of GOD.”* Men cannot rightly blame anyone for their sin, and as the LORD is pleased to awaken a man to know his own depraved nature, he will confess with David, *“Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest. Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.”* The man who makes “any” excuse for his sin does not know his own heart which is deceitful and desperately wicked. Men are to be blamed for their sin and it is sheer folly to think that is any valid excuse for it.

Nothing that a man can do, think, or say can change the charges which the law has rightly and justly brought upon him. That law which is just and holy cannot be changed, nor can any crime which has been committed or good deed omitted, according to its demands, ever be forgotten or swept under the rug as if it never happened. This is a law which demands satisfaction. *“The soul that sinneth shall die.” “The wages of sin is death.”* The JUDGE of all the earth will *“by no means clear the guilty”* nor will HE at all *“acquit the wicked”*.

Therefore, men find themselves in a dilemma from which they have no escape and are as the woman taken in the very act of adultery and brought before the face of JESUS CHRIST who is of purer eyes than to even look upon sin (i.e.; to regard it in a favorable light or have any approval of it). The LORD JESUS did not need to breath out condemnation upon this woman because she was *“condemned already”*. Why was she (of all of the women and men, for that matter, who were guilty of the very same act) singled out and brought to the LORD? The wonder of all wonders is that she was a vessel of mercy upon whom the LORD would demonstrate HIS power to deliver from just condemnation pronouncing her *“blameless”*. Those glorious words, *“Neither do I condemn thee”* rang in her ears with a sweet relief she had never experienced before.

Yet HIS pronouncement was not a setting aside of the law nor a disregard of the heinous nature of her crime, but a declaration of HIS ability as the SAVIOR of sinners to take away her guilt by bearing it in HIS own body on the “tree”. *“Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree.” “Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.”* Have you been made “blameless”?

. *“Thy free grace alone,”* #11 **If you would like a free transcript of this broadcast email us at [fortheepoor@windstream.net](mailto:fortheepoor@windstream.net)**