

singing : "Thy mercy my GOD" #11

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Modern theology is notable for its complete lack of consistency and its denial of the very basis upon which a sinful man could be made sinless, and one who is totally without any righteousness of his own could stand before the Judgment Throne of the Almighty GOD as one who is completely righteous.

While many pay lip service to believing that man as he comes forth from the womb of his mother, is dead in trespasses and sins, yet in their adamant determination to exalt the free will of men, they inconsistently tell us that man is able to make a choice to either choose the way of LIFE or reject it. The reality is that man, being dead in trespasses and sins, not only will not seek the way of LIFE, but he cannot. For the *"dead know not anything"* (Eccl. 9:5)

The description of the state of man by nature could not be any more plainly set forth than that which Paul taught the Romans saying *"There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one."*

So man, in his natural state (as a descendant of Adam), can no more choose the things of GOD than he can come back from somewhere he has never been. Man does not stand in need of exhortations, to make a choice, but rather he stands in need of being given "LIFE" that he might see the depraved state in which he presently resides. Dead men cannot hear the gospel nor believe it. It takes a supernatural work of GOD, to give a dead sinner life, and the same POWER to enable him to hear and believe the word of GOD, for faith is *"the gift of GOD not of works lest any man should boast."* (Eph.2:8,9)

Those who deny the absolute depravity and total sinfulness of men have no basis upon which to expect that the righteousness of CHRIST could possibly be laid to their account. Apart from understanding the imputation of the sin of the first Adam to all of his posterity it is impossible to understand the imputation of the righteousness of CHRIST to that people HE calls HIS own.

One of the grandest of all mysteries which is set forth before us in the scriptures is that of the incarnation of the Eternal SON of GOD. The scripture says that HE dwelt among us in human flesh. HE was also tried and tested like as we are yet HE was completely sinless in HIS person. So much so that there was not even a hint of deceit nor any inclination to evil found in HIM. HE was pure, spotless, and totally blameless as that ONE who walked among men doing good and fulfilling the law in every jot and tittle. HE was completely upright in HIS very essence and HE could in no wise be blamed or face condemnation, from any quarter.

Such a thought as the spotless LAMB of GOD being charged with sin, then, is indeed one which is disconcerting, except for that grand scheme of imputation which HE has both devised and implemented according to the good pleasure of HIS will in HIS determination to present to HIMSELF a bride, not having spot or blemish. So unless HE, who in HIS own PERSON, is completely righteous and devoid of sin, be charged with the sin of HIS elect, unto condemnation, neither can they who are without one shred of righteousness ever stand before the FATHER fully justified, and without condemnation or sin of any stripe or kind.

HE took their sin and made it HIS own, bearing it away. In the same fashion and according to the same power, HE did impute HIS own righteous, sinlessness to that people which HE loved with an everlasting love. *"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him."* (II Cor 5:21)

It is here that the sons of GOD have a hope of the resurrection. They have intrinsic death in themselves as a result of being born of Adam's seed. CHRIST on the other hand has intrinsic LIFE in HIMSELF and death cannot abide in HIM at all. HE lives because HE lives. The sons of GOD are made to live in HIM by the power of HIS endless life as they are born again being made complete in HIM.

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