

# SOVEREIGN GRACE BAPTIST



Preaching Christ Crucified ~ Teaching the Doctrines of Grace  
Standing Upon the Word of God

## Notes & Outlines for July 25, 2010

Today's Message: **"Forgiveness 1: Divine Remission"**

### Isaiah 43

**22** But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel.

**23** Thou hast not brought me the small cattle of thy burnt offerings; neither hast thou honoured me with thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor wearied thee with incense.

**24** Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast wearied me with thine iniquities.

**25** I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.

**26** Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified.

**27** Thy first father hath sinned, and thy teachers have transgressed against me.

**28** Therefore I have profaned the princes of the sanctuary, and have given Jacob to the curse, and Israel to reproaches.

Tonight's Bible Study: John 19:1-18

This Week's Bible Portions

*from Robert Murray McCheyne's "Daily Bread"*

### JULY

FAMILY			SECRET	
Judges 8	Acts 12	<b>25</b>	Jeremiah 21	Mark 7
Judges 9	Acts 13	<b>26</b>	Jeremiah 22	Mark 8
Jud. 10-11:11	Acts 14	<b>27</b>	Jeremiah 23	Mark 9
Judges 11:12	Acts 15	<b>28</b>	Jeremiah 24	Mark 10
Judges 12	Acts 16	<b>29</b>	Jeremiah 25	Mark 11
Judges 13	Acts 17	<b>30</b>	Jeremiah 26	Mark 12
Judges 14	Acts 18	<b>31</b>	Jeremiah 27	Mark 13

### AUGUST

Judges 15	Acts 19	<b>1</b>	Jeremiah 28	Mark 14
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## **EPISTLE OUTLINE:**

Key Verses: **Romans 1:16-17**

### **I. THE PRINCIPALS IN TRUTH**

Key Passage: **Romans 3:23-28**

- Romans 1** The DEPRAVITY of fallen man.
- Romans 2** The CERTAINTY of God's judgment
- Romans 3a** The CALAMITY of sinful man's condition
- Romans 3b** The BEAUTY of God's grace in salvation
- Romans 4** The REALITY of righteousness imputed by faith
- Romans 5a** The CENTRALITY of justification through the cross
- Romans 5b** The ENORMITY of the truth of imputation
- Romans 6** SURRENDER as a bond slave
- Romans 7** STRUGGLE of the bond slave
- Romans 8** SPIRITUAL VICTORY for the bond slave
- Romans 9** The SOVEREIGNTY of God
- Romans 10** The RESPONSIBILITY of man
- Romans 11** The GLORY of God's grace

### **II. THE PRACTICE OF TRUTH**

Key Passage: **Romans 12:1-2**

- Romans 12** Transforming love
- Romans 13** Obedient love
- Romans 14** Love's liberty
- Romans 15a** Love's unity
- Romans 15b** Love's industry
- Romans 16** Love's familiarity

If you have any questions concerning this week's lesson, please feel free to give Bro. Jon Cardwell a call at **256-689-1283** or **256-275-8996** or email [jon@justificationbygrace.com](mailto:jon@justificationbygrace.com)

MESSAGE TITLE: **“Forgiveness 1: Divine Remission”**

LESSON OUTLINE: **Isaiah 43:22-28**

INTRODUCTION:

A. Continuation of **Romans 12:17-21**

B. Next two lessons to give clarity to **Romans 12**

1. Forgiveness 1: Divine Remission (gracious salvation)
2. Forgiveness 2: Dutiful Submission (merciful sanctification)

**Romans 12:17-21** The Reality of MERCY

C. Doctrine of Forgiveness: an issue of controversy

D. Today’s Focus: **Isaiah 43:25**, “Divine Forgiveness”

I. **RECIPIENTS** of Mercy, **vv22-24**

II. **REVELATION** of Mercy, **v25**

III. **RESPONSE** to Mercy **vv26-28**

APPLICATIONS

1. Sinner (unbeliever)

2. Saint (believer)

## The Easier and Impossible

A devotional thought by Jon Cardwell.

*“Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk?” —Mark 2:9*

When Jesus forgave the sins of the paralytic, the scribes were outraged. *“Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?” (Mark 2:7, ESV).*

These scribes pondered what Jesus said, as every man should: “Why does this man speak like that?” The teachings of Jesus are heavenly words that have come to men on earth. We should listen closely. The words of Christ are so startling that we may miss His infinite truths with our finite minds. We should listen carefully.

These scribes even had correct theology: “Who can forgive sins but God alone?” Men can forgive sins and offenses wronged unto them but they cannot absolve sins against God. Popes and priests have no power to forgive in that way. No mere man does. It is impossible.

Although they pondered the sayings of Christ, and though they were educated men dotting the i’s and crossing the t’s of their doctrine and theology, they came to the wrong conclusion: *“He is blaspheming!”* The truth the Lord conveys is sourced in eternal power. We should listen cautiously, taking care not to interpret incorrectly.

It is certainly easier for someone to say that a man’s sins against God are forgiven. Who would know it except God alone? Though Jesus says the easier statement, in order to demonstrate that He has the power and authority to forgive men’s sins He tells the paralytic, *“I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home” (Mark 2:11, ESV).* What happened? The man sick of palsy *“rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, ‘We never saw anything like this!’” (Mark 2:12, ESV).*

Too often we are so amazed at the miracle that corroborates the truth that we miss the greater miracle of seeing a man forgiven of his sins by the gracious God who condescended to become a man in order to save His people from their sins!

*And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. —Matthew 1:21*

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**CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Ephesians 1:3-6* “<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: <sup>4</sup> According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: <sup>5</sup> Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup> To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.”

**HYMN 18-A (Chorus Book)** “Tis Joy to Look Above” *A<sup>b</sup>*

**PRAYER**

**HYMN 311** “Hallelujah, What a Savior” *B<sup>b</sup>*

**DEVOTIONS:** John Hunter

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- John & Kathy Hunter to Heritage Baptist, Lake Charles, LA, 8/2010.
- Eclectic Group meeting will be 8/2/10 in Birmingham at 10 am.
- August Birthday Fellowship following evening service, 8/8/10.
- Ladies' Bible Study, Monday, 8/9/10 at 10 a.m.
- Sovereign Grace Pastor's Fellowship in Anniston, 8/18 at 10 am.
- Speakers: Donald Guttery, Jim Gables, Dean Olive.
- Latest missionary news from Miles McKee, Danny Roten & Michael Pfleegor posted on the board. Pleeegor flyers available- book rack.
- Communion will be offered following the morning message.
- Please remember to keep in prayer those sick & infirmed.
- Pre-service Prayer @ 5:30pm (open to all)

**HYMN 20-A (Chorus book)** “Christ and His Righteousness” *D<sup>b</sup>*

**MESSAGE:** “Forgiveness 1: Divine Remission”

**TEXT:** Isaiah 43:22-28

**CLOSING HYMN/PRAYER**

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:**

“...*the little ones are redeemed equally with the great ones!* the feeble saints cost Christ as much suffering as the strong ones; the tiniest child of God could not have been purchased with less than Jesus' precious blood; and the greatest child of God did not cost him more.” —Charles Spurgeon (1834-1892)