

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

Conventional wisdom tells us that “truth” is found in the middle of two extremes. We are told by the mild-mannered prophets and politicians (really one and the same) of our day, that we should avoid the extremes of doctrine. They tell us that truth is a mixture and homogenization of various views on matters such as unconditional election and man’s “free will”, GOD’s absolute sovereignty and man’s accountability, the preservation of the saints and the perseverance of the same, etc, etc.

We are fairly certain that there is no group or organization of people, claiming to be the followers of CHRIST, who actually have a monopoly or corner on the wide expanse of doctrinal truth set forth in the Scriptures. We are equally as certain that the truth of GOD is most extreme and suffers no modifications or mitigation and can only be found in examining the extremes.

John, in writing the closing book of the Bible, said; *“For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.”* That is a most extreme statement, and one which is extremely true. Who can alter that which has gone forth from the lips of HIM who is the ETERNAL WORD? We are not sent into the world to try and “soften” extreme truth (there really is no other kind) but rather to declare it.

There exists in the minds of many the concept that GOD is depending on men to somehow explain the word of GOD in such a manner that will persuade men to embrace it and follow it. This is quite plausible to carnal reason and when one views GOD as a prisoner to the “free will” of men, then it becomes downright necessary. GOD has never minced words about either HIS preeminence or HIS absolute control over all things that come to pass in this world or any other. HE said, *“That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else. I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.”* *“Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure: Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it.”*

No explanation of what HE said is necessary, yet I have heard men spend hours explaining how one must not “go too far” with preaching such things or that this really doesn’t mean what it plainly says. Lest any man mistake who the GOD of heaven and earth is, HE told Moses, HIS name, *“I AM THAT I AM!”* How can one go “too far” in describing the absolute sovereignty of GOD?

While we find great blessing in a contemplation of the LORD’s dominion and predestination of all things that come to pass, the epitome of our rejoicing comes when we are reminded that this ONE, before whom the heavens and the earth shall flee away, is our SAVIOR. HE is the ONE who has both ordained the salvation of a people which HE hid in HIMSELF before the foundation of the world, and has carried out their complete redemption keeping them forever. Their salvation from beginning to end is completely dependent on HIS determined purpose which can in no wise fail to occur.

“For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.” HE *“Continueth ever”*. *“Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end.”*

“Hath an unchangeable priesthood”. *“Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil; Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.”* *“He is able even to subdue all things unto himself.”* HE will save to the uttermost those who call upon HIS NAME. For HE came into the world to save HIS people from their sin. *“having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.”* *“Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, by (grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.”* These are those of whom HE speaks saying *“All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.”* HE *“Ever liveth to make intercession for them”*. *“For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.”*

“Thy free grace alone,” #11 **If you would like a free transcript of this broadcast email us at forthepoor@windstream.net**