

Sin & Its Remedy A Message to the Church in these Last Days Bible Study Notes

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God"

Romans 3:23

Throughout the history of the world mankind has always been plagued with evil and the effects thereof. Crime, sickness, immorality, unnatural affection, death and more have been experienced in every generation as far back as that of our first father, Adam. Day in and day out, as we see the adverse effects of sin upon the world we must ask ourselves will it ever end and if so, when?

The worldly men throughout the history of this earth would have us to believe that they have the solution to the world's maladies but for those of us who are Bible believing Christians, we believe that the answer to the

The life of the flesh is in the blood, Leviticus 17:11, and without shedding of blood, there is no remission (forgiveness) Hebrews 9:22.

problems in the world today can only be fixed by *One who sits upon His throne*.

Thus, it was the Father in Heaven who gave us His Son, *Christ Jesus*, the Lamb of God, **John 1:29**, to be an offering upon the cross of Calvary. It was by belief in the shedding of His Blood, the only acceptable blood, which was shed for our sins, that there can be any pardon for our iniquities, "for whosoever believeth in Him [in His atoning sacrifice] shall not perish [in the lake of fire] but have everlasting life. **John 3:16**.

It was Christ Jesus, the Creator of "heaven & earth & the sea & the fountains of water", Revelation 14:7, who descended from upon His heavenly throne, to take the place of man in the flesh, the fallen, sinful flesh of mankind and lived the life which we should have lived and died the death that we deserved.

"...He was wounded for <u>our transgressions</u>; He was bruised for <u>our iniquities</u>: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes <u>we are healed</u>. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." Isaiah 53:5-6

Christ came to live the perfect and sinless life which the Law of God required as it was intended to be before man fell in the Garden of Eden. He came to magnify the Law and make it honourable **Isaiah 42:21**. He came to conquer where Adam fell in Eden and by believing in His divine mission and having faith in the power of His Blood to cleanse & forgive us of all our sins will we be justified and granted the power to walk even as He also walked **1**st **John 2:6**.

We have all sinned and fallen short of God's glory, As it is written, "<u>There is none righteous, no, not one</u>: 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; <u>there is none that doeth good, no, not one</u>." Romans 3:23,10-12

We have all transgressed the Law of God, for sin in itself is the very transgression of God's Law.

Says the Apostle John, writing in his 1st Epistle to the early Church:



"Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that he [Jesus] was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. 1 John 3:4-5

Because Adam sinned and transgressed God's Law and because all of his offspring [mankind] have been made in his [Adam's] image and have taken on his fallen nature, we thus, are deemed sinners in the eyes of God. For we all, like David, have been shapen in iniquity and conceived in sin. Psalm 51:5

It is for this very reason that God implemented the plan of salvation for the redemption of mankind, sealed with the Blood of His Son Jesus Christ. This gesture in itself shows us the love of God for fallen humanity, that He would offer up His Son for sinful man. "What is man, that thou art mindful of him and the son of man, that thou visitest him?" Psalm 8:4

If we accept the righteous merits of the Blood of Christ, that was shed upon Mt. Calvary for us, then God looks upon us and sees not a sinner but a fellow child of God, clothed in the righteous merits of Jesus, *the white linen garments*. Revelation 19:7-8

"Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: and not that he should return from his ways, and live? But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die."

Ezekiel 18:23,21

There is only one way to salvation and that is through Christ Jesus. The world at large today, together with apostate Christianity, teaches that there are multiple paths to salvation. It teaches that if one lives their lives according to the Bible standard and preaches against sin, that those individuals are fundamentalist and extremists, that what they teach are hate crimes. It is evident that satan, *the great adversary*, has the masses blinded & deceived, even professed Christians, therefore Jesus councils them to "anoint thine eyes with eye salve, that thou mayest see."

Revelation 3:18

How can we profess to be followers of Christ, yet we deny His Word? This is hypocrisy to the highest order.

Says the Apostle Paul speaking to Timothy:

"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters...Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof." 2 Timothy 3:1,5

In these last days of earth's history, many Christians profess the name of Christ, they profess to be believers, yet they deny the power of His Word, deny the power of the Holy Spirit to convert and change hearts, deny the power of Christ to grant us victory over every sin and deny the very prophecies found throughout Scripture. *They have a form of godliness, yet they deny the power thereof.*

The judgments of God are being poured out upon the earth to warn the inhabitants of the world of its impending sentence. Famines, plagues and pestilences, earthquakes in divers places, fearful sights, distress of nations, the sea and waves roaring, the Spirit of God is being removed from the earth and the four angels shall soon release the four winds. Matthew 24:7, Luke 21:11,25, Revelation 7:1. Once the sealing of those who will stand true to God's Word and true to Bible based Christianity without wavering is completed, then shall the time of trouble such as never was, since there was a nation, fall upon this earth, for it shall come upon all who dwell upon the



earth. Daniel 12:1, Luke 21:35. As the final seven plagues fell upon the wicked Egyptians before God miraculously delivered His people from Egypt to take them to the land of Canaan, so shall God pour out the seven last plagues upon the wicked inhabitants of this earth before He comes in the clouds with all the glory of Heaven to deliver His elect, both the dead and living in Christ, to take them to the Heavenly Canaan. For we are strangers and pilgrims upon this earth, as the Israelites were strangers in a land not their own. Revelation 16:1-21, 1
Thessalonians 4:16-17, Hebrews 11:13-16, 1 Peter 2:11.

Friends, it is time to wake up to the reality of what is going on around us. Bible prophecy is unfolding before our very eyes, and satan and his evil angels are very aware of this; 'the devils also believe and tremble' for satan knows "that he has but a short time." James 2:19, Revelation 12:12

Therefore, he goes forth with great wrath to lead the world into deception and cause them to transgress the Law of God at any cost. Billions in the world today denounce the existence of satan let alone the one true God and are being blindly led by the blind apostate Church leaders, ministers and government leaders in the world today, not knowing that they are being led like goats to a slaughter. The blind are truly leading the blind and they shall both fall into a ditch, Matthew 15:14.

"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." **Ephesians 6:12**

This is a spiritual battle for the mind, a great controversy between Christ and satan, both seeking possession for our souls. There is no middle ground, we are either servants of God or servants of satan and those who are for God shall receive the reward of eternal life at the last day, and those who are for satan shall receive the reward of eternal death in the lake of fire. Do not be deceived brethren by the doctrines of men, but rather, build your house upon every Word of God, the true foundation, for He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him. Proverbs 30:5, 1 Corinthians 3:11

"Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?" Romans 6:16

"And behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be."

Revelation 22:12

God knows the end from the beginning, He is the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End and in His love for His children, who have made a covenant with Him by sacrifice, He has made known the outcome of this spiritual battle which has spanned the entirety of this earth's history.

Christ and those who believe and obey Him shall be victorious and satan and his sympathisers shall be defeated; God's Word cannot fail, "it shall never pass away". So do not be deceived by the multitude of false doctrines in the world in these last days, Christ has given us adequate fore warning, Matthew 24:4-5,11,24. Let go of these earthly ambitions, and set your eyes upon the Heavenly reward soon to be given to those whose names are found written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Set your eyes not upon the things which are seen but rather upon the things which are unseen, for the things which are seen are temporary, but those which are unseen are eternal.

2 Corinthians 4:18

This earth is not our home, if indeed we are following after Christ in Spirit and in truth. Our citizenship is in Heaven, where we have mansions prepared for us in the City of God, this is the promise of Jesus.



"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." John 14:1-3

Friends, Jesus loves us, and has given up His life for us that we might have life and have it more abundantly.

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him."

Romans 5:8-9, Revelation 15:1; 14:9-10

This earth is going to pass away and everything in it, Christ is the only remedy for sin and the only way to salvation; He is the way, the truth and the life, **John 14:6**. Stop standing on the side lines and make a decision to serve Christ Jesus before time runs out, "for yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry." **Hebrews 10:37**

"And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? **if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him.**"

"And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell:

but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

1 Kings 18:21, Joshua 24:15