

Module 05 – 38 Responsibility - New vs. Old – Salvation 5

Session 38

This new versus old module is about the transition between the Pathway of Relationship and the Pathway of Responsibility

Transitions are when the old ways stop working so we must embrace the new.

Following the pathway of relationship leads to knowing the truth revealed in a face to face relationship with God

- **When we leave the old ways and embrace the new our minds will begin to be deconstructed and then renewed by the true reality of who God is which then begins to unveil who we are as His sons**
- **We will reconnect with our destiny so that we can rule with righteousness (love) and justice which are the foundations of kingdom government**

We rule in responsibility = the ability to respond in love and mercy just as God responds to us with love and mercy

- **It is vital that we know the true character and nature of God who is love,** not the religious construct of GOD, the distant angry deity

Experiencing God in face to face intimacy will also expose many false doctrines and theologies as lies, distortions and misrepresentations of truth

We will see our salvation from a new or renewed perspective

Last time we looked at forgiveness. Religion focuses on us having to be sorry and doing re-penance by confessing how bad we have been

The truth is that God has already forgiven us on the basis of the judgment and justice of the cross as seen in Col 2:13-15

Col 2:13 You were once spiritually dead, as confirmed in your constant failure; being bound to a lifestyle ruled by the distorted desires of the flesh, but now God has made you alive together with him, having forgiven you all your trespasses.

Col 2:14 His body nailed to the cross hung there as the document of mankind's guilt; in dying our death he deleted the detailed hand-written record of Adam's fall. Every stain that sin left on our conscience was fully blotted out.

Col 2:15 His brilliant victory made a public spectacle of every rule and authority empowered by the fall of Adam. The voice of the cross will never be silenced! The horror of the cross is now the eternal trophy of God's triumph over sin!

- The cross stripped religion of its authority to manipulate mankind with guilt. Every accusation lost its power to continue to blackmail the human race.

- The power of sin and death is forever broken its only power is in our thinking – as a man thinks so is he

Eph 3:16-18 I desire for you to become intimately acquainted with the love of Christ on the deepest possible level; far beyond the reach of a mere academic, intellectual grasp. So that you may be filled with all the fullness of God! Awaken to the consciousness of his closeness! Separation is an illusion! Oneness was God's idea all along!

- The power of salvation still needs to be realised by encountering God and experiencing the love, joy and peace of a restored face to face, breath to breath relationship
- It is only this relationship that reveals our true identity and our responsibility as His sons

To clarify forgiveness from God's perspective: He has already forgiven us whether we ask for it or not

But we are directed to treat others in the same way as God treated us

This is not meant to minimise or make light of any negative behaviour towards ourselves or towards others

- Even though God has already forgiven us for everything that flows from the DIY tree that does not mean we can just go around doing what we like with no consequences for our actions
- Our negative actions that result from our lost identity affect ourselves, others and even creation itself
- Our negative behaviours have inevitable consequences they can cause us guilt, shame, condemnation and even depression
- Anger, bitterness and resentment lead to toxic thinking and toxic emotions that can cause real physical, emotional and mental health issues
- God has forgiven us but we must also learn to receive forgiveness and then forgive ourselves and each other
- In regards to God our enemy, the accuser, tries to keep us from relationship by using the religious DIY guilt penance card that kept Adam and Eve hiding fearfully from God
- Our enemy the liar and deceiver will do anything to keep us from knowing the truth
- When we know the truth that we are already loved unconditionally and already forgiven that will become the motivation to treat people how we are treated by God
- It is restorative not retributive justice

We cannot live what we have not experienced

Jesus loved His disciples they experienced His love first hand so they could love others as He commanded

John 12:34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another

- Jesus loved His disciples the way His Father loved Him

John 3:35 The Father loves the Son and has given all things into His hand.

John 5:20 For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself is doing;

Luke 6:27 “But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,

- Without experiencing being loved by God it is impossible to love others like God loves
- Treating others how you want to be treated is called the golden rule but is impossible without knowing God’s love

Luke 10:27 And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.”

It is impossible to love God, ourselves or our neighbours without first experiencing being loved by God

Luke 6:35 But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men.

Sonship behaviours are characterised and motivated by love

John 13:35 By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

- God is love and His love must be experienced so it can become the motivating force of the sons of God
- Negative behaviours originate from not knowing God’s love

John 15:9 Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love. 10 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love. 11 These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.

John 15:12 “This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends. 14 You are My friends if you do what I command you. 15 No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing;

John 15:15 but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain, so

that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you. 17 This I command you, that you love one another.

John 15:9 The love of the Father for me is my love for you - abide in my love for you!
10 By treasuring the prophetic conclusion of my life you will remain constantly engulfed in my love even as I treasure the completeness of my Father's prophetic purpose and abide in his love embrace.

John 15:11 I have spoken these things unto you so that my joy will continuously infuse you - you don't have to invent your own if you can tap into mine! This is the ultimate bliss! 12 I advise you to discover your love for one another mirrored in my love for you; this is the conclusion of my mission.

John 15:13 There is no greater expression of love than the love that leads someone to lay down his life for his friends. 14 Our friendship is endorsed in your continual engagement with the conclusion of my mission.

John 15:15 I do not communicate with you on a slave - boss basis; slaves have no clue what their Master is about to do. I talk to you as my friends telling you everything that I have heard in my conversation and intimate association with my Father. This I explain to you in the clearest possible terms.

John 15:16 I did not begin in you; you began in me! I am not your idea; you are mine! I have strategically positioned you in order that you may abound in much fruit bearing, wherever life leads you - fruit that would ceaselessly continue this same incarnate life of union with me! From within this place, anything you desire has already been granted you by my Father.

John 15:17 All these things are the conclusion of my assignment to you and find their context in your love for one another.

- **Without experiencing God's love that becomes the motivating power behind our whole lives love there is only the DIY path of our past to follow**

Experiencing God's love includes so many things beyond just the emotional security of being loved, accepted, approved and affirmed

Being loved means being saved, resurrected, included, forgiven, redeemed, sanctified, justified, glorified, seated in heavenly places

- **Love is the key to sonship and love is about giving not being selfish, loves prefers others above self**

1 Cor 13 type of agape love is impossible without encountering God who is love by personal first hand experience

1 Cor 13:4 Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant,

1 Cor 13:5 does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, 6 does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails;

1 Cor 13:4-8 Love is not about defending a point of view; even if I am prepared to give away everything I have and die a martyr's death; love does not have to prove itself by acts of supreme devotion or self sacrifice! Love is large in being passionate about life and relentlessly patient in bearing the offenses and injuries of others with kindness.

1 Cor 13:4-8 Love is completely content and strives for nothing. Love has no desire to make others feel inferior and has no need to sing its own praises. Love is predictable and does not behave out of character. Love is not ambitious. Love is not spiteful and gets no mileage out of another's mistakes

1 Cor 13:4-8 Love sees no joy in injustice. Love's delight is in everything that truth celebrates. Love is a fortress where everyone feels protected rather than exposed! Love's persuasion is persistent! Love believes. Love never loses hope and always remains constant in contradiction. Love never loses its altitude!

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish (be lost), but have eternal life (age enduring life).

The word 'to give' means to give something to someone that already belongs to them; thus, to return.

John 3:16 The entire cosmos is the object of God's affection! And he is not about to abandon his creation - the gift of his son is for humanity to realize their origin in him who mirrors their authentic birth - begotten not of flesh but of the Father! In this persuasion the life of the ages echoes within the individual and announces that the days of regret and sense of lost-ness are over!

The fact that we are already His own, born from above and have our beginning and being in Him is confirmed to us and experienced in our realising this amazing truth But as long as we don't know Jesus personally we remain in our lost identity trapped in a matrix of unreality in spite of all Jesus has accomplished for us.

There is even more to being saved by God and included in the amazing love that He has for the cosmos than forgiveness

Eph 1:7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace

1 Cor 1:30 But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption, Redemption or being redeemed is another key aspect of salvation

What is it to be redeemed?

When and from what are we redeemed?

Redemption Definition: the action of regaining or gaining possession of something in exchange for payment, or clearing a debt.

Rom 3:23 For the wages of the sin is death, but the free gift of God is age enduring quality of life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

We were sold into death by Adam

Rom 7:14... sold into bondage to sin.

Redemption Greek *apolýtrōsis* – literally, "buying back from, re-purchasing (winning back) what was previously forfeited (lost)."

Redemption is to be bought back from slavery to sin, death, sickness, rejection, fear, bondage, addiction, insecurity, poverty etc. etc.

Redeemed Greek *lutroó* to release (set free) by paying the full ransom; "to release, on receipt of ransom (figuratively) to restore "something back, into the possession of its rightful owner

We are redeemed from spiritual death and restored from lost identity

Think: are there any areas where we still live in bondage as slaves to a futile lifestyle struggling on the DIY path?

- Self-esteem, self-worth, value, significance, purpose,
- Self-medicating with addictions to substances, food, pornography, relationships, materialism etc.

- Are we still living in bondage to fear, rejection, insecurity, loneliness, depression, guilt, shame, religious dead works, with no identity?

Whatever our issues the good news of salvation is that Jesus has already redeemed us, paid the price, the ransom and died our death so we can be free and restored to our eternal identity

Gal 4:5 so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, (of sin and death) that we might receive the adoption as sons.

- **It is not just what we are redeemed from something, but what we are redeemed to something a restored identity rediscovering our sonship**

1 Peter 1:18 knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, 19 but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. 20 For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you

Jesus redeemed us before the foundation of the world which was then outworked by dying our death

The wages of the sin death has been paid and the slavery removed

We have been released from living according to our past and we no longer need to be subject to a DIY lifestyle

Redemption is being bought back from slavery to following the DIY sin path that futile way of life and from having to fulfil the obligations of the law by our own DIY self effort

Jesus already did the redeeming so again this is past not future and we had no part in it

Col 1:14 in whom (Jesus) we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Heb 9:12 He entered the holy place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

- This redemption is not temporary and does not end at physical death in both experience or possibility

The fact that we are already His own, born from above and have our beginning and being in Him is confirmed in our realising it

John 10:10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Abundant life: freedom, blessing, fruitfulness, increase, position, authority, power, right living, good marriages, healthy children, nothing missing nothing broken, joy, peace, wholeness, prosperity etc.

- **This is all our inheritance now and is all available now as we discover all these things are already ours.**
- **When we realise who we truly are as sons we can live from that truth**

John 8:32 .. "If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." 36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

- Do we know the Word Jesus?
- Are we continuing in the Word Jesus?

John 8:32 In this abiding you will fully know the truth about who you are and this knowing will be your freedom. 34 Jesus answered and said, "I say unto you with absolute certainty that everyone engaging in the distorted mind-set of sin is a slave to it!"

John 8:34 Sin is not about things you do or don't do - sin is missing out on sonship! The sin-system is governed by the idea of justification by personal effort, performance and pretence; which is the typical fruit of the 'I am-not-mindset' which Peter refers to as the futile ways we inherited from our fathers.

John 8:36 With the freedom found in sonship there is no pretence! (Free indeed! Jesus said "It is finished")

If we want to live in the reality of our redemption, freedom in Jesus, we need to know Him by personal experience and encounter



Close your eyes and begin to think of Jesus
Let the presence of Jesus begin to refresh you, empower you strengthen you, heal you
Let Jesus breathe into you real redemption truth

Let Jesus the Truth reveal the truth about who you are free from every bondage
Let Jesus embrace you let Him give you restored identity as a son
Let Jesus introduce you to the Father
Let Jesus and the Father unveil your sonship

Let Father Son and Spirit open the realms of heaven to you reveal your thrones and positions of authority as sons

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