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Session 43

Isa 42:9 Behold, the former things have come to pass, now I declare new things; We are experiencing God, who never changes, in new ways and our minds are being deconstructed and renewed by our encounters with Him

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!

- We also saw that our salvation includes redemption, reconciliation, adoption, righteousness, justification, and glorification and has already been completely accomplished through the full incarnation of Jesus, His life, death, resurrection and ascension for everyone
- Sadly most people don't yet know it
- We saw that the Holy Spirit is integrally involved in every aspect of our salvation
- He is involved in the process of our being made alive, born from above, born of the Spirit and how we walk by faith
- Holy Spirit is also involved with the day to day outworking of Jesus' faith in us by revealing the truth of who we are as sons of God
- Holy Spirit is working in the world in everyone to convince them of the truth
- Holy Spirit through the resurrection has made everyone alive in Christ so everyone now is born of the Spirit
- The Spirit of truth is working in everyone to make them aware that Jesus is in them and they are in Jesus

John 16:8 And He (Spirit), when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment; 9 concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; 10 and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me; 11 and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged.

Convict declare (someone) to be guilty of a criminal offence by the verdict of a jury or the decision of a judge in a court of law.

Convict we think find someone guilty and then they become a convict

Elégxō convict is actually to expose to, convince with solid, compelling evidence to correct

To convict exposes people to the lies to show the error to reveal the truth to refute a wrong way of thinking and help correct it

Convict has been tied to the wrong idea of punishment and therefore presents the wrong picture of what the Spirit is doing she is not condemning everyone but convincing everyone

Convict the world **concerning the Sin** which is our fallen mindset and loss of identity because of unbelief

Holy Spirit is at work in everyone to convince them that they have lost their original identity as a sons of God and that Jesus can restore that identity

Convince the world **concerning Righteousness** justice state of being acceptable to God because Jesus is our advocate before the Father

Jesus is (his blood representing His death) a permanent record in heaven where He now is to our acceptance, forgiveness, justification, righteousness

Convince the world **concerning Judgment** the ruler accuser has already been judged and effectively rendered powerless

Col 2:13 When you were dead ... He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our transgressions, 14 having cancelled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. 15 When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him.

- **The Holy Spirit is our helper our guide and is continually working to show all mankind the truth of their salvation, reconciliation and inclusion in Jesus**
- **Holy Spirit is working to lead us to the amazing truth of what Jesus has already done to remove the SIN and make us righteous**

John 16:8 In this capacity of close companionship with you, Holy Spirit comes to convince the world concerning sin, righteousness and judgment: 9 Holy Spirit in you will persuade them concerning their sin, which boils down to a bankrupt, distorted identity due to their indifference to me. (The world's unbelief and indifference to Jesus is the very cause of their bankruptcy!

John 16:10 In this union with you, the great Companion will also convince the world of righteousness because in my disappearing out of sight, to be face to face with the Father, the Spirit of truth will interpret the conclusion of my mission which is mankind's association in me and their redeemed innocence!

John 16:10 The intimate union with my Father that I displayed while present with you in my physical body will now be made visible in you!

John 16:11 Then the world will be convinced that the judgment that was their due was accomplished when the ruler of this world system was judged.

John 16:11 (In Jesus dying humanity's death, closure was brought to the system of the law of works and performance as dictating and defining human life) In mankind's co-crucifixion and joint-descent in Jesus into their hell and in their co-resurrection and co-elevation to be seated together with him in heavenly places!

Realisation should be a powerful relational experience with the Holy Spirit that sometimes happens all at once and sometimes over a period but we should have an expectancy of the fullness of the Spirit.

- **Jesus personal experience with the Holy Spirit's presence in, on and around Him was a foretaste of what we all should expect.**

John 3:34 For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God; for He gives the Spirit without measure. 35 The Father loves the Son and has given all things into His hand.

- Jesus had the Spirit without measure

John 14:30 I will not speak much more with you, for the ruler of the world is coming, and he has nothing in Me;

As we are cleansed within our hearts, (stones, hard areas, weeds) and have our gateways open we have more capacity to be filled by the Spirit

Jesus' public baptism was a key event in affirming His sonship as well as engaging the Spirit

We have lost the impact of that today by putting it off rather than encouraging immediacy.

Jesus command Matt 28, Pentecost, Ethiopian, the command of Peter Paul was immediate

Believers were participating then in the life of the new era of the kingdom before it fully arrived because of their faith.

What would happen then?

Jesus said in John 14:20, "At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you."

John 1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name,

John 1:12, Everyone who realizes their association in him, convinced that he is their original life and that his name defines them, God gives the assurance that they are indeed his offspring, begotten of him; he sanctions the legitimacy of their sonship.

To receive, Greek *lambano*, means **to take in hand what already belongs to you, to comprehend, to grasp, to identify with.**

Mankind's indifference to their true origin is the problem with the world

The Gospel the good news is that Jesus has come to introduce mankind to themselves again; humanity has forgotten what manner of person they are by design!

Receive Him and believe in Him

Nobody can believe enough to earn salvation. This frees us up to just trust Him to receive from Him not try receive Him

- Jesus made sure that the demands of the law could not be met or attained by DIY methods

- Jesus also made DIY faith just as impossible as keeping the law, we cannot believe enough
- Jesus basically gave us the law as school master in order to show us how useless the DIY pathway is
- He believes in us and His faith enables us all to believe
- He is renewing our minds so we can catch up to the truth of what He has done already
- He has regenerated humanity, but we have not yet seen the full ramifications.
- There is nothing holding us back from seeing it now – the Kingdom is at hand.
- We do not preach a gospel of postponement or delay.

We may not see all the evidence yet of this regeneration.

The kingdom of God is filling the cosmos one person at a time

500 people 0.000002 % of the world population 300 million before Pentecost

Now there are 1+ billion 15 % of world population of 7 billion

We have good news to share

God had a plan from before the beginning to ensure relationship

God found us in Christ before he lost us in Adam!

Eph 1:4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love 5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will,

Eph 1:4 He associated us in Christ before the fall of the world! Jesus is God's mind made up about us! He always knew in his love that he would present us again face-to-face before him in blameless innocence. 5 He is the architect of our design; his heart dream realized our coming of age in Christ.

I am going to sum up and share what my conclusions are at this stage of my deconstructing and renewal process

Remember I am just sharing my current conclusion I am not expecting or even asking you to believe these things

I do hope that you will take some of the questions back to God for yourselves

I don't have definitive answers to every question that I have

Many things are in tension and are often paradoxical

I don't have all the answers but that does not stop me trusting in a God who does

I know God is pure love so I can live loved by experience not theology

To sum up all that we have been looking at regarding the issues around salvation

- God is love and everything is and everything God does is an expression of love including judgment and justice
- God is relational love and He desires that His children be in a loving relationship with Him
- I don't believe in any form of retribution
- Retribution is not how God does justice.

- Retribution was permitted because man's need for justice for a time but Jesus brought it to an end (Matthew 5:38–42).
- “You have heard it said” but who said it not God but man’s tradition

Matt 5:38 “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.’ 39 But I say to you, do not resist an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also.43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.’ 44 But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven;

Israel’s sacrificial system was built largely around the idea of retribution via substitute but that was not God’s idea

The prophets revealed that God never wanted sacrifices, only mercy (Hosea 6:6; Jeremiah 7:22; Matthew 9:13; 12:7).

Jesus has already brought full justice by dying our death. His sacrifice on the cross was for everyone (1 Timothy 2:6; 4:10; 2 Peter 2:1; 1 John 2:2).

God’s desire is for all people to be saved (1 Timothy 2:4; 2 Peter 3:9).

Can God’s desire be thwarted if mercy triumphs over judgment? Yes but only by our free will to choose

God’s love is stronger than death

God is bound by nothing but love, for he is love (1 John 4:8)

God’s love will never fail

- I do not believe in universalism where all the roads of religion lead to God
- I do not believe in Christian Universalism if that means all people automatically have a relationship with God without their choosing to do so and not being forced to do so

John 14:6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

I believe acknowledging what Jesus has already done by being persuaded (by Jesus’s faith) is a gift that is always available to everyone who God has created

John 3:17: "God did not send his son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Why would God, who is all knowing, send Jesus to save the world if He knew beforehand that most of the world would not be saved?

That doesn't make sense. God sent Jesus to save the world because He knew His Son would accomplish exactly what He sent Him to do.

- I do believe that there is universal salvation from God’s side but not everyone has chosen to experienced it
- I do believe that there is universal reconciliation from God’s side
- I do believe in universal death in Adam

- I do believe that there is universal life and inclusion in Christ
- I do believe that death has no sting having been swallowed up in victory
- I do believe that we can never be separated from the love of God
- I do believe that God is a consuming fire and that fire is an expression of His love
- Fire is not to destroy but purify
- I do believe that God wants to restore all things
- I do believe that God's word everything that He has spoken will not return to Him void but will accomplish His purpose
- I do believe that God's love is stronger than death and His jealousy for relationship with us is more severe than the grave

God's love will be poured out in full measure on everyone. But those who fight against God's love, clinging to their impurities, will be unable to experience his love as intended. The consequences we face are of our own making.

- I do believe that everyone is born from above through being made alive through Jesus resurrection
- I do believe that the majority of people do not know this reality yet
- I do believe that God respects our choice to reject His love but I do not believe He is happy about it or rejects us because of it
- I am hopeful that everyone will one day choose to accept God's love but don't believe anyone can guarantee it
- I believe that God desires a personal relationship with the whole of His creation and He has done His part to reconcile creation to Himself

Rom 2:4 Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

- I do believe that as sons of God we have role to play in the restoration of all things
- In being restored ourselves
- In being ambassadors of reconciliation
- In being seated in the heavenly realms in our original identity and positions
- In being manifested as sons on earth

"Son at the fall mankind died in Adam everyone was spiritually dead meaning that their spirit was no longer able to communicate with Me and their soul and spirit were wrongly aligned.

The soul became the predominant ruling factor in their lives but I placed eternity in their hearts so that desire would cause them to seek for a spirituality beyond themselves and beyond the natural realm.

When Jesus died mankind's death, death's power was broken and when My son rose from the dead in resurrection power mankind was made alive with and in Him.

The whole of mankind was born of the spirit, born from above and now as death reigned through Adam now grace and peace reign through Jesus. Now everyone can connect to Me once again if they turn from soul to spirit, turn from darkness to light.

As everyone is born of the flesh so is everyone is born of the spirit this is the essence of the good news.

The light came into the world and mankind did not understand it because their minds were darkened but now the light is within all, all can now know the truth

John 1:16 For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace.

The only obstacle is the veil over people's minds that the enemy uses to blind people so they cannot see the light because of the fallen mindset of the sin that he uses to keep people from the light that is in them.

Son arise and shine for the light has come and My glory has risen upon you to radiate the light that had the ability to penetrate the veils of deception

People are living with the world pulled over their minds deceived into believing that they are separated from Me when the truth is I am at work in all to draw them to myself and reconnect them to their eternal destiny.

This plan birthed from the desire of My heart of love was conceived before the creation to ensure that all can be blameless and innocent before Me.

The lamb who gave Himself as the sacrifice did this before the cosmos was founded and everything was but a shadow of this until we came in flesh full of grace and truth.

Lift Him up so that the world can see Him in the light that radiates through You and He will draw all men to Himself. You are the light of the world don't hide the light under religious veils be the city on a hill that can be seen by all.

The seed of man's choice in Adam produced the fruit of the independent DIY life.

The seed of the women that is Christ had opened the way to choose the tree of life once again and ascend into the source through the mystic union that reveals the truth.”

- We have this message and ministry of reconciliation
- We are called to be witnesses of this message of reconciliation
- We have and are the testimony of such amazing good news the power of the gospel of God's love to save everyone – let's share it

1 John 5:20 This is what has become distinctly clear to us: the coming of the son of God is God's mission accomplished! He is the incarnate Christ. The moment all of Scripture pointed to, has arrived! The son is present! In him God has given us the greatest gift, a mind whereby we may know him who is true; and in the same knowing, to find ourselves there in him who is true! Mankind is fully included and located in him, in his son Jesus Christ; this means that whatever Jesus is as son, we are. This is the true God; this is the life of the ages!

Jesus said, you will know the truth as it is unveiled in me, and that will set you free!

The culmination of the gospel according to John is summed up in these verses:

John 14:20 “In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me and I am in you!”

1 John 2:7 & 8, “what is true of him, is equally true of us.

1 John 4:17 “As he is, so are we in this world! Our lives are mirrored in him”

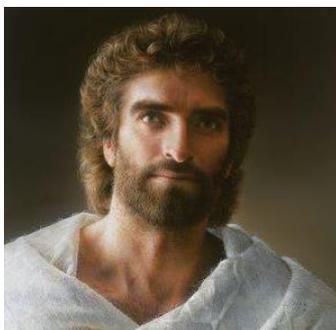
- We can be confident of God's love
- We can be confident of the power of the cross to save us all
- We can be confident that God will never change, He is always love
- We can be confident that God's love and faithfulness is sufficient for all of us

As much as his death brought dramatic closure to our futile and failed attempts to justify and define ourselves, our co-resurrection revived the original blueprint of our Maker's image and likeness in us. Francois du Toit

The full deepest truth that God is love is often called heretical by the religious institution because of warped theological image

Definition of a heretic...

Happy **E**nlightened **R**ighteous **E**xploring **T**ruth **I**n **C**hrist – Chuck Crisco



Close your eyes and begin to think of Jesus
 Ask Jesus reveal the truth so you can be persuaded by what He believes about you
 Let the presence of Jesus begin to refresh you, empower you strengthen you, heal you

Let Jesus fill you with the living water of the Spirit
 As you drink the living water of the Spirit let the truth of who Jesus is fill you persuading you of the full and complete power of the cross to transform your life

Let Jesus embrace you let Him give you Ask Jesus introduce you to the Father to restore your identity as a son
 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
 As you encounter let the faith to walk in identity and victory rise up in you

