



Sunday, October 21, 2018

A QUIET COMMITMENT:

- QUIET your mind and soul before the LORD — *“Be still, and know that I am God”* (Psalm 46:10)
- COMMIT to obedience: *Commit* to doing whatever God will say to you in this message — *“to obey is better than sacrifice”* (1 Samuel 15:22)

I. The WEALTH of the Believer (1:1-3:21)

A. Introduction (1:1-2)

B. The Christian and His RICHES (1:3-23)

1. Paul’s PRAISE of God (1:3-14)

a. The SUPREMACY of the FATHER (3-6)

In the first stanza of Paul’s hymn, he sings of the Father’s SUPREMACY—how great the Father is. He sings, reminding us of Who God is, describing God’s supremacy.

b. Our _____ through the SON (7-12)

In the second stanza of Paul’s hymn, he sings of the SALVATION we have through the Son. We are reminded of our *sinful condition* as Paul sings of God’s *saving provision*.

In the third and final stanza of Paul’s hymn, he sings of the SECURITY of the Holy Spirit (13-14).

i. Our **SINFUL** _____

a) Man's _____—Sin (Romans 3:10, 23)

James 2:10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

Cf. Jeremiah 17:9; Isaiah 64:6

Paul's description of man's sinful condition outside of Christ (Ephesians 4:17-19)

b) Sin's _____—Separation (Romans 6:23a)

"Death" speaks of separation. Spiritual "death" is separation from God which for those who remain in this state until physical "death" will receive eternal "death" which is separation from God for all eternity.

The **LIGHT OF TRUTH** is of greater brightness against the backdrop of the **DARKNESS OF OUR SIN.**

c) God's _____—Reconciliation (John 3:16)

1 John 4:9-10 In this was manifested the love of **God** toward us, because that **God** sent **His** only begotten **Son** into the world, that we might live through **Him**. Herein is love, not that we loved **God**, but that **He** loved us, and sent **His Son** to be the propitiation (*the atoning sacrifice*) for our sins.

ii. Our **SAVIOR'S** _____ (Romans 6:23b)

a) _____ from Sin (7a)

This word, "*redemption*," speaks of letting go free by the payment of a price.

John 8:34 Jesus answered them, “Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.

1) The _____ that was PAID

Hebrews 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission [*forgiveness*].

Cf. 1 Peter 1:18-19

2) The _____ that was PURCHASED

Matthew 26:28 For this is My blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission [*forgiveness*] of sins.

b) _____ of His Grace (7b-8a)

Romans 5:20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:



Our WORTHY WALK is the process of understanding the magnitude of the SON’S provision of SALVATION in light of our sinful condition. This produces a lifestyle of praise, rejoicing in the present reality of our redemption which is in Christ Jesus our Savior.

What is my next step? Please consider doing the questions on the back of this page.

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What Is My Next Step?

Hearing — Giving *attention* to God's Word with the intent to obey it — James 1:21-25

Doing — Making *application* of God's Word to be more like Christ — Eph. 4:22-24

Date: _____ Text: _____ Speaker: _____

1. What did God show **me** that **I** must confess and forsake because it does not reflect Christ and hurts **my** relationship with Him and others? (***Put OFF SIN***)
2. What did God show **me** about Himself in this text? (***Renew your mind***)
 - a. What is He like?
 - b. What does He like?
 - c. What does He dislike?
3. What does God say to me in this text? (***Renew your mind***)
 - a. What command to obey?
 - b. What promise to claim?
 - c. What principle to apply (*If I do _____, then God will do _____*)?
 - d. What example to follow?
4. What verse(s) should **I** memorize and meditate upon through-out this week to help make **my** change lasting? (***Renew your mind***)
5. In light of what **I** have heard from God, ... (***Put ON CHRIST***)
 - a. What character quality of Jesus must **I** demonstrate *with God's help* this week?
 - b. In what situations will **I** most likely be tempted not to respond in a Christ-like way?
 - c. How can **I** get ready for those situations? (*If I don't have a plan for change, it probably won't happen.*)



OUR MISSION: Supremely love GOD,
Sacrificially love others
—ALL to the GLORY of GOD!