

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

The first commandment which the LORD gave to Moses for the children of Israel, was *“Thou shalt have no other gods before me.”* HE did not mean that it was alright to worship other gods as long as HE was in first place, but rather they were not to have any other objects of worship before HIS face; period. Men, recoil at the notion of an absolute and unwavering GOD who predestines all things and demands that the affection of men towards HIM be unmixed with that of anything else. For according to their nature men desire a god who is like a big lovable puppy dog who is so desirous of their that he will roll over and wet himself in order to gain it. This god of their imagination will gladly stand by and take any sort of love which they are willing to give him and in whatever measure or rank they are willing to assign to it. They are certain that whatever sort of activity of worship, which they design or desire, is perfectly pleasing to him since he is desperate to gain the devotion of men even if he has to share it with other deities or objects of human desire.

The god who is worshipped in the majority of organizations calling themselves churches and claiming to be the followers of CHRIST is basically one who exists to ensure their happiness. They have no regard for an absolute GOD who does all things according to the good pleasure of HIS will and who laughs at the calamity of the wicked and mocks when their fear cometh. They are aghast at the thought of someone pointing these things out in the scriptures and are quick to ignore such matters in favor of their little puppy dog god, who wags his tail and licks their face whenever they take a few minutes out of their busy schedule to pet him.

It is not very common to hear men preach that the salvation of sinful men depends on CHRIST alone. The prevalent teaching of our day says that this salvation has two parts. One is performed by CHRIST and the other must be performed by men, making salvation a cooperative effort. How often do we hear men say that men are “justified” in the courts of heaven only after they have “believed” or “received” that which CHRIST has done. In this fraudulent scheme, man is said to hold the key to his eternal happiness in the palm of his own free will. This plan says that a man is not “saved” by the work of CHRIST alone, but by the addition of his acceptance of it which “enables” or “lets” GOD save him by opening the door to his heart and allowing HIM to come in.

This is no salvation at all but is a mere pipe dream concocted in the pit of hell to rob GOD of the glory in salvation and to deceive those who are led captive by him. The very concept of man being able to “let” GOD do anything is totally contrary to the revelation of the HOLY GOD, who says, *“I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.”*

Three times in Psalm 62 David declares that the LORD *“only”* is his defense and salvation. He said he would wait *“only”* on the LORD for deliverance. This is exactly what Peter confessed *“Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.”* The LORD JESUS demonstrated this pure principle of singular worship during HIS temptation by Satan. Satan offered to give HIM the glory of this world if HE would but worship him. The LORD replied with no equivocation, *“Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.”*

On the mount of transfiguration, Peter demonstrated the penchant of natural man towards religion when he sought to equate the Moses and Elijah with CHRIST. Yet there came a VOICE from heaven which said clearly, *“This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.”* This revelation brought great fear upon them until HE touched them, and they heard HIS words, *“Arise, and be not afraid.”* When they arose from the ground, *“They saw no man, save Jesus only.”* As glorious and true as the law and prophets are, there must be no mistaking that their only purpose was to bring us to CHRIST, that HE alone might be glorified. *“For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.”* The church has been plagued down through the years, by those who, continue to exalt the law of Moses laying it upon the free born sons of GOD who are without condemnation. The whole book of Galatians is written to correct such error and to demonstrate the superiority of CHRIST only. HE has not changed the law but rather has demonstrated its complete and perfect fulfillment. All of the demands of the law have been perfectly fulfilled for those who are found in CHRIST. This is that perfect law of liberty which Paul describes in this fashion, *“the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.”* CHRIST as the SUM, and SUBSTANCE of the gospel. To declare anything else is to miss this gospel. *“Sir, we would see Jesus.”*

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