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SCRIPTURE ALONE · GRACE ALONE · CHRIST ALONE

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SUNDAY

Live Streaming (Audio and Video)

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: Psalm 119:137-144 (Aaron)

Call to Worship: 'The Conquest Jesus Won' Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 12 (Adam)

Hymn # 36- 'A Mighty Fortress is Our God'

Scripture Reading: Romans 14:13-23 (David)

Message: 'Love and Peace in the LORD'

Hymn # 268- 'How Firm a Foundation'

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

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WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM- Studies on the Names and Titles of Jesus in Scripture

FRIDAY

7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi) **10:00 AM-** Bible Study in French

SATURDAY

8:00 AM- Fellowship in Christ

SUNDAY

7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi)

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9:00 KWKH AM Radio 1130, Shreveport, LA area or LIVE streaming @ http://1130thetiger.com/listen-live

Call to Worship

(Tune # 380- 'Rise Up, O Men of God!')

he conquest Jesus won,
O'er Satan, sin and hell,
With all the wonders He has done,
His saints shall sing and tell.

On Him shall Zion place, Her only hope for heav'n, And see in His dear, sacred face, Ten thousand sins forgiv'n.

He passed within the vail,
Did on His bosom bear,
The worthless names that did prevail,
With Him to enter there.

Worthy the Slaughtered Lamb! Let ransomed mortals say; For who shall sing His lovely name, In higher notes than they?

Forgiveness of Sins and Imputed Righteousness

od forgave sin and imputed righteousness at the same time and upon the sole condition of the obedience of Christ, Rom. 5:19. The two-fold act was inclusive of all the elect and is immutable and outside their will. God looked away from the sins of Abraham and imputed righteousness through His attribute of forbearance [Rom. 3:25] but He actually dealt with Abraham's sin at the cross, Hebrews 9:15. In Romans 4:24, 'believing' is not a cause or condition for imputed righteousness and the verse doesn't assert that. I suggest "the ones believing" are those chosen

before the foundation of the world, justified at the cross and revealed the Gospel by effectual calling in time. Paul defined the essential Doctrine of Christ in Romans 4:25. Christ our LORD "...was delivered for [because of] our offenses, and was raised for [because of] our justification." God acted as Judge delivering His Perfect Son to judgment as a result of the trespasses of the elect. As a result of them being justified, God raised Him out of death. The verse declares an equal and simultaneous transfer: God charged the sin of the elect to Christ's account and He charged the righteousness Christ established to their account. By discharging sin from their accounts, God forgave them. By charging (imputing) righteousness, He declared them righteous. Before Christ left the cross the elect were justified. The next verse literally reads: "Having been declared righteous, then, by faith, we have peace toward God through our LORD Jesus Christ." Faith is not the condition of being 'declared righteous' but the God-given means of 'peace toward God'.

David Simpson

The Perfect Lamb of God

"Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all."

(Hebrews 10:8-10)

he body of the Perfect Man, Jesus, had to be prepared. He took on the sins of His people, as stated in <u>Isaiah 53:6</u>. However, He remained sinless, being the Perfect Lamb of God, as <u>Hebrews 7:26</u> describes. His body had to endure the weight of God's justice on behalf of the chosen sinners for whom He died, as prophesied in <u>Isaiah 53:10</u>. Remarkably, not a bone of His body was broken, fulfilling the law as noted in <u>John 19:36</u>. Real blood had to be shed <u>[Hebrews 9:22]</u> representing the blood of a real man standing in for sinners. <u>Acts 20:28</u> describes it as God's blood because it satisfied God the Father, ensuring justice while justifying those He chose to redeem once the work was completed.

Jesus, as a real man, had to obey every aspect of the law [Matthew 5:17] and satisfy infinite justice, which He did, John 19:30. No angel or physical lamb could achieve this, Hebrews 1:4-14; 10:4. His death marked the accomplishment of this task. He fulfilled the law entirely, both in its requirements and penalties. He took on the charge and curse of sin on behalf of God's elect, bearing their sins in His body and as Hebrews 7:27 states, carrying them away once and for all when He offered Himself.

Though Christ was purposed as the Surety of God's elect before the world's foundation, Scripture indicates that He became that Surety through His death on the cross [Hebrews 7:22] dying the Just for the unjust, 1 Peter 3:18. At that moment, God the Father redeemed, justified and forgave all the sins of the elect in His one sacrifice. This fulfilled the prophecy in Daniel 9:24: "He finished transgression, ended sins, made reconciliation for iniquity, and brought in everlasting righteousness."

This glorious work of redemption, justification and salvation that Jesus accomplished for His sheep is astounding. It's a solemn reminder, as <u>Hebrews</u> 10:26-27 warns, that if we sin willfully after receiving the knowledge of the Truth, there remains no other sacrifice for sins, only fearful anticipation of judgment.

By the revelation of God's Spirit in them [Galatians 1:15] each of the chosen ones look, in God's appointed time, to the Lamb alone Who completed the work for them.

Ken Wimer

Christ's Almighty Hand

is left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me. Song 2:6

Underneath are the everlasting arms. Deut. 33:27

When [Peter] saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, LORD, save me. And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? Matt. 14:30-31

The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth him with his hand. Psa. 37:23-24

The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety by him; and the LORD shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders. <u>Deut. 33:12</u>

Casting all your care upon Him, for he careth for you. 1 Pet. 5:7

He that toucheth you, toucheth the apple of his eye. Zech. 2:8

They shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all. John 10:28-29

Daily Light on the Daily Path

How and When

t is no idle debate but one that hits the very heart of the Gospel, not only HOW God justifies sinners but WHEN He justified sinners. This is one of the earliest questions in the Bible as recorded in Job 9:2: "I know it is so of a truth: but how should man be just with God?"

There are those who will say that it doesn't matter 'when' so long as we agree on 'how' but the Scriptures make 'WHEN' the issue as much as 'HOW'. Hebrews 1:3 states: "...when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high." When were the sins of God's elect purged? The tense there is once for all. It is clearly at the cross, Hebrews 10:10. When it says that Christ sat down, that means the work is complete. To make our righteousness before God to be established, accomplished, or fulfilled anywhere or anytime else is to proclaim an unfinished work of Christ. Even to say that Christ 'secured' the salvation of God's elect at the cross isn't even what the Bible declares. He didn't just secure the salvation of His elect, He saved them at the cross! [John 17:4]

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