

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

The glory and mystery which surrounds the ETERNAL GOD is revealed in no small part by HIS absolute faithfulness to uphold the Covenant of Redemption which is found in CHRIST JESUS the LORD. Paul reveals the true nature and RECEPTOR of this Covenant of promise in his letter to the Galatians. *“Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.”* Though the “spiritual offspring” of Abraham are the benefactors of this Covenant, yet it is quite clear in the scriptures, that HE to whom the promise is made is CHRIST alone. *“I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”* Those who are hid in CHRIST are those who reap the blessings which the LORD will bestow upon HIS children, because of HIM, in whom, they stand forever justified, sanctified, and blessed. HE is their COVENANT HEAD who has purchased for them an eternal redemption by HIS own blood shed in their behalf.

Paul describes the many difficulties and hardships which he outwardly faced. *“in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings.”* By the grace of GOD he declared that such things were useful in the ministry of the word. The sons of GOD, are also beset with troubles that arise from within, such as conflicts, doubtings, fears, and other inward trials of various kinds. *“For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.”* The LORD in HIS sovereign mercy is pleased to lift up a “STANDARD” against this flood of troubles. The LORD JESUS declared this STANDARD when HE said, *“Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. This he said, signifying what death he should die.”* Our REDEEMER has come and has triumphed gloriously over all of the enemies of the children of GOD, which were given to HIM from before the foundation of the world. HE alone is that COVENANT HEAD who has led captivity captive and given gifts unto men. *“What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God’s elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

So regardless of the troubles which beset GOD’s children from within and without the LORD is faithful to uphold them in the midst of these difficulties. HE will never leave them nor forsake them. *“So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him. And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD. As for me, this is my covenant with them, saith the LORD; My spirit that is upon thee, and my words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed’s seed, saith the LORD, from henceforth and for ever.”* This is the fruit of the everlasting covenant which is clearly manifested in the bringing of these benefits to those who are found in CHRIST where they were chosen from the beginning. *“How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.”* Is CHRIST your STANDARD?

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