

RADIO TRANSCRIPT #37

singing : "Thy mercy my GOD" #11

Welcome friends to another broadcast of "Morsels for Zion's Poor"

There is an old adage that describes the foundation to success in business as being "not what you know but who you know." There is much truth in this adage and it is primarily the reason that most people who are involved in places of political power generally become enriched by their so-called "service". While the veracity of this adage may not be proven in all cases having to do with monetary success, it is most certainly true in the realm of becoming rich in the Kingdom of GOD.

There are two men with which every man who is born again must be acquainted with. Without a close acquaintance of both of these men, however, no man shall inherit the kingdom of GOD. One of these men is described in the scriptures as the first Adam who is born of the flesh and is the purveyor of sin and depravity to his offspring. The other is called the SECOND ADAM, or the LORD from HEAVEN, who has tabernacled among men in flesh and blood, without sin and manifesting the only true and perfect righteousness of men which is accepted in the heavens.

The ministry of the SPIRIT of GOD in the earth is to testify of the glory of JESUS CHRIST. By HIS power HE convinces those whom HE is pleased to enlighten of these three things, "*Sin, righteousness, and judgment.*"

This power is that which causes a man like Saul of Tarsus, who was intent on destroying those who were preaching the gospel of CHRIST, to fall upon his face and acknowledge the LORDSHIP of CHRIST. A revelation of the utter holiness and exaltation of CHRIST is that which reveals to men their sin and depravity. We see this demonstrated on Mount Calvary as a sudden revelation of HIS stature stopped the mocking of one of the thieves and brought him to repentance. So too is everyone of those elect children of GOD, being called from darkness to LIGHT, made to acknowledge HIS perfect righteousness and in the process to hate his own sinful way.

You can tell a man that he is a sinner all day and it will have little effect. In fact most men would acknowledge their own imperfections quite readily. Yet when the LORD is pleased to reveal to a man the absolute majesty and glory which surrounds the KING of GLORY, that man will be slain before HIM and he will then know, not simply in his head, but in his heart, that he is a sinner, unworthy of the least of the LORD's mercies, even as the publican who prayed in the temple. Thus he will become fully acquainted with his own corrupt nature and confess as David did in Psalm 51: "*Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.*"

By nature men believe that they have within their own power and understanding to approach GOD at any time and on whatever terms they might so choose. Just like Cain of old they each assume that they can either worship GOD according to their own desire and will or choose not to.

All men by nature are exactly the same, completely estranged from GOD, and abiding under the condemnation of sin. Unless and until they are awakened by grace and enabled to see themselves in that dire condition they shall not seek the LORD unto salvation. The infidel perishes in his own willful ignorance without any love for the truth while the religious man perishes in his own supposed righteousness in which he believes he pleases GOD and approaches HIM by his own free will.

GOD who is rich in mercy is pleased to reveal the glory of CHRIST JESUS the LORD, to sinners, otherwise they could never have any knowledge of HIM or themselves. They would go merrily upon their way thinking that they are doing GOD a service, as Saul of Tarsus, who all the while was opposed to the truth of GOD.

It is in and by the revelation of GOD that a man is utterly convinced of his own depravity and inability of approaching unto GOD by any other means than through the redeeming blood and complete righteousness of CHRIST. A man may be acquainted with his own sin in a measure, prior to that revelation, yet unless a man is acquainted with the glories which reside in the MAN CHRIST JESUS, he cannot truly know of the depravity which resides in his own imperfect flesh. To know CHRIST in TRUTH is to also be apprised of what we are by nature. Blessed is that man who has come to know himself by having been caused to know HIM who is ETERNAL LIFE. "*Thy free grace alone,*" #11 **If you would like a free transcript of this broadcast email us at forthe poor@windstream.net ,**