

The Christian Center Newsletter 2-23-25

Redemption Has Come for the Believer; it's Not Going to Come it Already Has

So many people in the universal Church believe that we will have to wait till after our physical death to see if we are going to Heaven. This false teaching has crept into the modern-day Church, and that's why people are really afraid of death. In this Newsletter we will cover this subject, and let the Bible give us the answers. I want you to meditate on these next few Scripture verses, so you can hear the Holy Ghost telling you to not fear death anymore because of what Jesus has done for you.

Hebrews 2:9-15 KJV But we see Jesus, Who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that He by the grace of God should taste death for every man. [10] For it became Him, for Whom are all things, and by Whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the Captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. [11] For both He that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brethren, [12] Saying, I will declare Thy Name unto My brethren, in the midst of the Church will I sing praise unto Thee. [13] And again, I will put My trust in Him. And again, Behold I and the children which God hath given Me. [14] Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; [15] And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

In these verses we see that through Jesus' death we are delivered from the devil's power. What does it mean 'through Jesus death we are delivered'? To answer this question, let us look at another verse.

Romans 6:22-23 KJV But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. [23] For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

When Jesus died, He was dying for our sins; not for His. He never sinned, but our sins were put on Him. So now every believer in Jesus no longer has to pay for their sins by being punished, because Jesus already paid for us.

2 Corinthians 5:19-21 KJV To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. [20] Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. [21] For He hath made Him to be sin for us, Who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him.

Christians will still sin in their physical bodies after they have received Jesus, but they must always remember that those sins were paid for by Jesus before they ever did the sins. The only thing that will send a person to hell is not receiving Jesus as their own personal Savior. If anyone rejects Jesus, what they do is reject His salvation. Now you might say, "why should I live right if I'm going to be saved anyway?" Well you are saved spiritually. The real you, which is your spirit, is born again when you receive Jesus. You will have a desire to live right when you get born again. You will have Jesus' nature in you, and you will see that the nature of Jesus will bring out a desire in you to live right. Your body will still want to do wrong, but as you feed your spirit the Word of God, your spirit will grow; and you will be able to override your natural desires of sin. But always remember that even if you sin in the flesh, your sins have been payed for by Jesus' death. When you do wrong, acknowledge it; and let Jesus empower you to stop it.

Don't ever forget that you are saved and redeemed by what Jesus did; not what you have done.

Ephesians 2:8-9 KJV For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: [9] Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Revelation 5:9-10 KJV And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the Book, and to open the seals thereof: for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy Blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; [10] And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

1 Peter 1:18-19 KJV Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; [19] But with the precious Blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

Titus 2:14 KJV Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Galatians 4:4-7 KJV But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, [5] To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of Sons. [6] And because ye are Sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. [7] Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a Son; and if a Son, then an Heir of God through Christ.

I hope you have assurance of your salvation through this Newsletter. The devil always will tell you you're not saved, because you still have flesh that will sin after you are born again. Remember you can't save yourself by any good works that you do. Jesus saved and redeemed you because He died for your sins! Now you will start doing good works, because you are saved; but the good you do can't save you; only what Jesus did can do that.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday James 1

Tuesday James 2

Wednesday James 3

Thursday James 4

Friday James 5

Saturday 1 Peter 1

Sunday 1 Peter 2

STAY CONNECTED

** If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line 580-704-0505

** Men's Fellowship: Saturday 9am at Golden Corral

** Spiritual Awakening Seminar will be 7pm Friday March 7 and 9am Saturday March 8

** The Christian Center app- <https://subsplash.com/thechristiancenter/app>

** You can text to give through the TCC app.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES at 9:45am

Children — 6 months - 5th grade

Youth — 6th -12th grades

Young Singles/College & Career —ages 18-26 Eliav/Kim Nash

ADULT CLASSES

*Foundation 1 - Pastor Paul

*Healing - Lester/Monica Witherspoon

*Faith - Mike Whitley

*Marriage -Danny/Demetrice Williams

*Foundation 2 - Mike Wiggins

*Prayer - Joe Cunningham

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REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily

*Early Morning Prayer; Sanctuary: M-F 6:15-7:15am

* Women's Dance Aerobics: M-F 10-11am in Gym

* Noonday Bible Study: M-F 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app

Weekly

** Sunday Services: 9:45am classes;10:45am Main Service

** Monday Night Care Group:Sanctuary under balcony 7pm

** Wednesday Night Prayer: 6pm in Foundation 1 Class

** Wednesday Night: Adult & Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth area)

**Mobile Prayer:Fri 2-3:30pm HobbyLobby parking lot

** Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Sanctuary under balcony

Monthly

*** Men's Fellowship: 1st Sat. 9am at Golden Corral

*** Crosses at the Corner: 1st Sat. 11am-1pm corner of Sheridan and Cache Rd.

*** Women's Meeting: 2nd Sat. 9am in Fellowship Hall

*** Women's Discipleship: 3rd Thurs. 5pm in Sanctuary

*** Horse Ministry: 3rd Sat.1-3pm at Camp Faith

*** Relationship Class: 4th Sat.10am-12 in Fellowship Hall