

Knowing Where You Stand - Lord, Is It Warfare - Lesson 5

Satan Destroys/God Restores	Life Under Satan	Life Under God
<p>Only God can give back what the first Adam lost in the Garden of Eden</p> <p>His Son would offer a blood sacrifice on the cross that would reach into the very pit of hell</p> <p>What GREAT LOVE</p> <p>From death to life From darkness to light From enmity to peace From isolation to family</p> <p>This is God's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grace - Mercy - Peace 	<p>Eph 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - dead in sins (1) - Under the power of Satan (2) - Lived in the lust of the flesh (3) - Indulged the desires of flesh and mind - Separate from Christ (12) - Excluded from the commonwealth of Israel - Strangers to the covenants of promise - Had no hope (12) - Without God in the world (12) - Far from Him (13) <p>Future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - judging of deeds (Rev 20:11-15) - Those not in the book of life - Lake of fire - burns with fire and brimstone - 2nd death (20:15; 21:8) <p>Those who will be there (21:8; 22:15)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cowardly (Fear) - Unbelieving - Abominable (stench) - Murderers (intentional) - Immoral (Pornos - fornication) - Sorcerers (pharmakeus) - Idolaters (false god) - Liars (Satan is the father of lies) - Dogs (22:15) (man of impure mind, not showing due respect) 	<p>Eph 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - rich in mercy (4) - Great love even when we were dead - Made us alive with Christ (5) - Saved by grace (5) - Raised up with Him and seated in the heavenlies (6) - Surpassing riches of His grace (7) - Saved by grace through faith (8) - We are His workmanship created in Christ for good works (10) - Brought near by the blood of Christ (13) - He is our peace abolishing enmity (14-15) - Access in one Spirit to the Father (18) - Fellow citizens with the saints of God's household (19) - Temple of the Lord - dwelling of God in the Spirit (21-22) <p>Future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - new heaven, earth, Jerusalem (Rev 21:1-2) - No more tears, death, mourning, crying, pain (21:4) - Beauty of heaven (21:10-27)

Grace	Mercy	Peace
<p>Grace = unearned, unmerited favor God's Riches At Christ's Expense</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - grace is everything that Jesus is and has that's been made available to us because of God's love - Ro 8:31-32 - God provides all things and it doesn't cost anything because it cost God everything - II Pet 1:3 - God has given everything we need that pertains to life and godliness - Eph 2:4-5 - God loved us when we were still sinners and saved us through His grace - Eph 2:9 - not saved by works - Eph 2:2 - God saved you when you were still sons of disobedience <p>Grace in Eph 1-3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1:6-7 - God freely bestowed grace on us in Jesus and we have redemption - the forgiveness of sins - 2:5, 7-8 - surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ for by grace you have been saved through faith - 3:2, 7-8 - God's grace was given to the working of His power - grace was given to preach the gospel to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ <p>Grace is everything that God has given us that we don't deserve</p>	<p>Mercy - meet my need, give me what I need and not what I deserve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mercy is outward manifestation of pity - it assumes need of the one who receives it and adequate resources from the one who shows it - If you don't understand God's mercy, you are going to be slow to run to Him in your time of need - Nothing can separate us from the love of God (Ro 8:38-39), but Satan can deceive you into not appropriating what is rightfully yours - Mercy is an attribute of God - don't listen to Satan's lies - Remember you don't have the benefits of salvation apart from the commitment of salvation!!!! - Jn 9:31 <p>Understanding mercy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Titus 3:5 - He saved us according to His mercy through the washing of regeneration - I Pet 1:3 - through God's great mercy He caused us to be born again - II Cor 4:1 - as we receive mercy we do not lose heart - I Tim 1:12-18 - we are shown mercy because we acted ignorantly and the grace of the lord was more than abundant with the faith and love which are found in Christ - Mt 5:7; James 2:13 <p>Everything that God does not give us that we deserve</p>	<p>God doesn't change what you have done, but He can take away the guilt!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - when guilt is gone, then you have peace <p>If peace eludes you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - come from unbelief - Don't trust or believe God's Word - What more can God do to convince you that your sins are forgiven? - Until you have faith to believe God's Word <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - you are living in sin (Ro 14:23; He 3:18-19) - come from Satan - Satan can cause feelings of guilt to be heaped on you until it flattens you - Satan = adversary - Don't fear him - be aware of his schemes! - He continues discussing your guilt with you <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - condemning - Whisper accusation in your ear - Remind you of all your mistakes <p>God will take away your guilt!</p>

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God Forgives You, Satan Doesn't	When Satan Attacks with Guilt
<p>What do we do?</p> <p>Remember</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- there is no forgiveness with Satan- He doesn't forgive, he doesn't forget- He will try to make sure you don't either <p>Appropriate What Is Yours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- forgiveness comes from God- If you have God's forgiveness, you have everything you need- He is the one you sinned against (Ps 51:4) <p>View Sin from God's Perspective</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ps 51 - David's sin with Bathsheba- Confession, sorrow, desire to be cleansed and remain pure- II Cor 7:10 - godly sorrow leads to repentance- David confessed sin, was sorrowful, called it what it was and God forgives (Ps 51:1-2, 7-12)- With forgiveness comes peace <p>Live in the Light of Truth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Eph 3:16 - you can handle Satan's attacks - you are strengthened with power through the Holy Spirit	<p>He 10:10, 14-22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- blood of Jesus has cleansed us from our sin- Your guilt is gone - it is remembered no more- Satan wants to remind you - we need to tell Satan to leave us alone- God has granted complete forgiveness - and He forgets <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Micah 7:19 - casts our sins into the depths of the sea- Is 38:17 - casts my sins behind His back- Is 43:25 - He will remember our sins no more- I Jn 1:9 - if we confess our sins - He will forgive- Ro 5:1 - been justified by faith and we have peace with God through Christ

Seated in the Heavens

- place of power, authority and strength
- Victory is assured, despite the fierceness of the battle

Paul's Prayer (Eph 1:18-23)

1. Know the hope of His calling

- heaven is assured - not an "I hope so" but it is an "I know so" - a confidence
- Phil 1:6 - He who began a good work will be faithful to complete it
- We will be with Him in heaven (II Cor 5:8; I Jn 3:2-3)

2. Riches of the glory of **His** inheritance in the saints

- we are the redeemed
- Members of His body - part of His temple

3. Know the surpassing greatness of his power toward those who believe

With faith comes power . . .

- to be what God intended us to be
- To equip us for service (Eph 3:7)
- To strengthen the inner man (Eph 3:16)
- That works within us (Eph 3:20)
- That seats us in the heavenly places
- We need to fight our battles from our position of power

These three things are all in accordance with the working of strength of God's might

When You Feel Alone