

In the Word #6

by Milton Green

Milton Green's sermon emphasizes the freedom and righteousness found in Christ, encouraging believers to trust in God's grace and produce the fruit of the Spirit in their lives.

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Scripture: Romans 6:6, Romans 7:4, Romans 8:2, Galatians 5:16, Hebrews 3:18-19, 2 Peter 1:3-4, 1 John 2:3, 1 John 2:6

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Description

This sermon emphasizes the importance of repentance, righteousness, and holiness in the church today. It highlights the need to die to the flesh, be joined to Christ, and bear fruit for God. The speaker encourages a shift from a form of godliness to a genuine transformation in Christ, leading to freedom, peace, and victory over the powers of darkness.

Transcript

I hear a sound coming from the mountain. I hear it louder each day. I hear a sound coming from the mountain, and it says, prepare ye the way.

Prepare ye the way, prepare ye the way, prepare ye the way of the Lord. Hi, I'm Tommy Williams, and I want you to stay with us for this next hour as God opens up his precious word to us through his servant, Milton Green. Milton Green is proclaiming a message of righteousness and holiness to the church today, calling the church to repentance.

The author of *The Cross and the Switchblade*, David Wilkerson, has said that every true believer, every God-hungry minister in this nation needs to hear what Milton Green is saying. You'll see that this is a powerfully searing and searching message, yet healing and uplifting. It will be good news to those who desire to walk with the Lord Jesus Christ with a pure heart.

Now, let's get our Bibles and get in the word with Milton Green, just as it was recorded live at a recent In the Word meeting. We'll join Brother Milton Green, already in progress. Praise Jesus.

Praise you, Lord. Praise you, Lord. Hallelujah in your name.

Praise Jesus. I felt like when I got out of bed this morning, it's going to be an unusual day. I see a few more of you found out you're free.

We're so blessed by the grace of God and the presence of God. I'm the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. Blessed with all spiritual blessings.

In the heavenly places. Right now. In the Lord Jesus.

You sound a lot different today. I'm born again. Kept by the power of God.

I'm redeemed by the blood. I'm born again by the Word of God. I'm complete in Jesus.

My sins are nailed to the cross. I'm sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise in Jesus at the right hand throne of God. My weapons are mighty in God to turn down strongholds.

Casting down imaginations and every thought up here that exalts itself against the Word of God. And I bring every thought captive to the obedience of the Lord Jesus Christ to the Word of God. I'm more than a conqueror.

I take dominion. I rule and reign in the name of Jesus. God is my Heavenly Father.

Jesus Christ is my Lord. And I'm a product of His love. I have love.

I have joy. I have peace. I have long-suffering.

I have goodness. I have gentleness. I have meekness.

I have temperance. I have faith. I'm not on the low.

I'm not on the low. I'm not in works. I'm under grace.

I'm free in the name of Jesus. I can do all things. Through Christ who strengthens me I'm strengthened in all power by the mouth of the Lord.

We learn a lot about the Lord in His precious Word, aren't we? It's kind of worth being talked about, isn't it? Boy, I'm telling you what. He who keeps his mind on me, I'll keep in perfect peace. That's how you take every thought captive, isn't it? What really matters is what God's saying, what God's doing.

Now, that matters. What he thinks. You know what brokenness is? Brokenness is when you come to a place that you're more concerned about what God thinks than what folks thinks.

I pray to God you'll leave here a free person. Now, you can be. We just haven't found out about it.

We just learned about it. We're free. Liberty and freedom.

Boy, praise Jesus. Isn't he something? Amen. I'm seated in the heavenly places.

I rule and reign in the name of Jesus. All things are under feet of Jesus. He's been given to be the head of all things.

To the church, the body, which is us. The fullness of him. That filleth all in all.

All the works of darkness are under our feet in Jesus' name. He's disarmed them. He made a public display of them.

And now in the name of Jesus, from the throne of grace, I receive the word and the blood. I remove all oppression from me and this building in Jesus' name. All heaviness is removed in Jesus' name.

I remove all the works of tiredness and fatigue in Jesus' name right now. I'm strengthened in all power by the mouth of the Lord. From the throne of God, I now receive strength.

Strength is flowing through me now. I remove all the works of unbelief, doubt, traditions, legalism, distractions in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. With the word and the blood, all sleepiness I remove in Jesus' name.

All the works of pain right now and aches are removed and headaches right now in Jesus' name are removed. Got a mouthful? You did good. The Lord did better.

Now in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I bind up all the words spoken against this seminar. Against me, I remove these word curses in the name of Jesus. And all the works of darkness that's been assigned to be a hindrance to this meeting and to me and Milt in the name of Jesus are removed in Jesus' name.

And now from the throne of grace, I receive grace, love, blessings, healing, and deliverance. And in the name of Jesus, I speak peace. Jesus, come up here just a minute.

Will you please come up here? He's a little surprised, you know. You come up here. You know something? You talk about, you know, I find out that it's a lot easier sometimes for... that I see things happening a lot more sometimes when you get in another country than you do when we actually see things around here the Lord do.

And you'll see it's just such a humble and just a gift of love. And that mind just totally stays on the Lord all the time. And it just frees the Lord to just do things when he gets around these kind of people.

And you've got a few hundred people around. It's just, you know, just like a child. They don't already know it all.

They haven't got it all figured out. And that's the kind of atmosphere like Brother Jesse's right here. And, you know, in India, you know, if you're just real close friends, you know, you can just walk around holding hands.

And I just found myself, you know, just I'm telling you, what the Lord just did something. Now, I want you to know he really means bedding. Now, I learned the last time when I was there in 76 and I was in this room, I learned this time on the trip over there that they killed a king cobra in that room a week before I got there.

And then this morning, he tells me, now for four years before you come there in this place, they have killed nine of them. I said, well, we didn't want to disturb your sleep. So about eight years later, I found out about it.

But I want to tell you something, the family of God, you just can see in no one. I was just thinking about something. There were 27 of us over there and there was a particular song that we kind of got involved in that we learned over there.

And I think we just ought to do it here. And I think you'll just be especially blessed by it. And Jesus... Now, let me just share it.

You can understand my accent a little better probably than you can Jesus here. You know, he's an English teacher. He teaches in a high school.

This boy loves Jesus. And here it starts out, I'm happy today. I'm happy today since Jesus has taken my sins away.

And the next thing, I'm praying today. I'm praying today. And you do like this, I'm praying today.

And then I'm reading today. I'm reading today. And then I'm praying today.

Now, that may not sound like too much. You wait till you get into it. I'm praising today and I'm praising today.

And the last part is I'm dancing today. Now, if there's anyone here spying out my freedom, I want you to close your eyes when we come to dancing part. So, we need a mic here, don't we? I know it should... Huh? Oh, yeah.

Right there it is, Jesus. Go ahead there. And you just... You just go ahead and just lead us in that song.

Do you want to? I'm happy to... Can I say a few words? Yeah, you say a few words. Well, sure you do. Yes.

Praise the Lord. Are you all happy today? Yes, praise the Lord. I bring greetings from all the saints of India.

You see, we love you all in Jesus' name. Jesus has brought me over here to be disciple in the word of God. See, so I love your country, I love you all in Jesus' name.

So, Jesus is the only savior in the world, the hope of humanity, who can give joy, peace and healing. Do you all agree? Yes. Yes.

So, we are all happy today in Jesus' name. So, I am going to sing a song, I am happy today. You sing one verse first.

I'll sing first. You listen and then you can easily follow because you are all expert in singing. Isn't it? Yeah.

I am happy today, I am happy today in Jesus Christ, I am happy today. He has taken all my sins away and that's why I am happy today. I am praying today, I am praying today in Jesus Christ, I am praying today.

He has taken all my sins away and that's why I am praying today. Get into it. I am reading today, I am reading today in Jesus Christ, I am reading today.

He has taken all my sins away and that's why I am reading today. I am praising today, I am praising today in Jesus Christ, I am praising today. He has taken all my sins away and that's why I am praising today.

I am clapping today, I am clapping today in Jesus Christ, I am happy today. He has taken all my sins away and that's why I am happy today. I am dancing today, I am dancing today in Jesus Christ, I am dancing today.

He has taken all my sins away and that's why I am dancing today. Thank you, brother. Okay.

Thank you, brother. I love you, Jesus. Well, amen.

Glory to Jesus, one. Thank Allah. Okay, go ahead, brother.

Are they? Okay. All right, thank you, Jesus. We just might have to do that again.

They learn fast. What you miss is to see about 27 people in a room and someone, you know, just got free and the Lord had just healed him or something and then just see him there and Philip, the pastor we used to have to lead the song, we'd get him up and we'd just throw a fit there for a little while. He's all right.

There wasn't no one there to accuse us and so we did and we just really enjoyed it. Let's pray. Father, in the name of Jesus, I thank you that you've called us into liberty and freedom.

Lord, I thank you that I'm free, that we're free from intimidation, fear. I thank you, Lord, in the name of Jesus, that we're free from what folks think, that our eyes are fixed on you, Lord. And now in the name of Jesus, we thank you for the freedom that you've given us in the Spirit of God.

I thank you that we always triumph in your name and now, Lord Jesus, we boast in the victory at Calvary. And we just know we don't know one another after the flesh, but we know one another as just Jesus crucified because everything is you and there's nothing of us in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. And now, Lord, we just come to receive your word.

We boast in your understanding. We boast in you. We boast in your word.

We boast in your spirit. We boast in your grace. And we just thank you, then, Christ Jesus, that we are more than conquerors, that we take dominion, that we always triumph in your name.

And now in the name of Jesus, we receive your word. And we receive the word before him, just work in him. And now, Lord, I just pray that this day in your word, Lord, I ask you in Jesus' name to your glory that you would move through as you heal, deliver, and set free.

And I thank you for your holy presence. And in the name of Jesus, I agree as we just speak blessings, peace, grace, love, healing deliverance in Jesus' name. Well, amen.

Praise the Lord. Well, did you rest well? The presence and peace and grace of God. Well, I want you to know something.

I can already tell you something. He's here. And that's what makes a difference.

That's what our focus is, isn't it? The Lord Jesus, his grace and word. Well, folks, we got a little into the spirit and the flesh and how the powers of darkness operate in this. And I hope it began to give you some freedom, but today is going to be a most unusual day.

I want to say something to the shepherds right now. There's just so much responsibility and everything on the shepherd today. And I think more of an attack comes on the shepherd than it does anyone today, the enemy.

And he particularly attacks with fear and intimidation. And, brother shepherd, if when you start seeing some things in his word and you start trying to figure out how to line them up in some of the traditions that we've been programmed for, let me just tell you, when you start letting your mind try to fit it in the box, then

the enemy will intimidate you. Whatever teaching you're gathered around or whatever that, they're going to try to put intimidation.

And they'll fill your mind full of all kinds of thoughts. It'll just not work. Can't work.

And the enemy will try to put the responsibility on you to make it work. And that fear and intimidation, and I see one shepherd after another that particularly maybe after the second day, they go home and they'd be attacked in their sleep. They're waking up in the night, and there it is trying to get you to work all this out.

Listen, I'm going to tell you something. The Lord is the one that works all things out. Why don't you just get out from under the law and get under grace? He's the one that has to work it out.

Now, what we have to do is proclaim the word. We say what God says, and the Lord's building a church. He'll do it His way, and you'll always know that He's doing it right because you'll see it right there in the word the way He's going to do it.

And so there's been such a particularly... It's been more difficult probably for you, Shepherd, over the years than you even probably comprehend now or I even comprehend. And I want to tell you that I just want to speak peace and love to you. And, oh, I'll tell you what, I love you.

And I'll tell you what, as the Lord's Spirit, and as He does the thing that He's doing, you're going to find out a greater help and support because of the traditions, brother pastor, to a large extent has taught you not to have to trust God. You've been taught in many ways that you don't have to trust God because traditions get you to trust in so many other things that you don't have to trust Him. And then when you come to a place where you're confronted with it, well, then the enemy wants to bring these things that you've been taught to trust and bring them with fear and intimidation to get you.

Now, I want to tell you, it works when we put it totally on the Lord. I want you to know that what's happening, what we're sharing here in the word, is totally up to the Lord, total trust in the Lord. That's the rest.

That's the rest that He's called us in. We don't know what He's doing or how He's doing it. I just got a part.

You've got a part. All of us got a part. Now, brother pastor, you've got a church in a church.

You know, I mentioned this thing, I'll say it again. When Billy Graham was talking about 75% of the church lost, most anyone that will travel, any of that, he'll see the loss that's in it. Now, what we're saying in our hearts before God, when someone wants to come and take this Bible right here and deal with this loss in us, let's kill him.

Let's stone him. He's going to split us off from these devils, the 75% of these devils. It sounds like to me a church is already split, doesn't it? Are lost folks in the body of Christ, folks? You know, the only thing that does is exposes a foundation of numbers and good reports instead of righteousness.

I'll set you free, pastor. You won't be run off no more. Only the sheep can hear the word.

Only the sheep will follow you. Now, I want to tell you something. There's nothing that man has set up and created more important than this word of God.

If you can ever read and get anything out there besides one church, and this church can hear the word, this church right here at heart is turned totally to the Lord Jesus Christ. This church wants to bring all the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ. There's no jealousy and ambition, and there is no, are you ready, politics in it.

Get free from folks. God doesn't have much confidence in folks. Just His Spirit working through them is what He has confidence in.

That's why, once again, He said, all mankind is stupid and devoid of knowledge. Isn't that right? Now, let's stop and look at something. Let me say it again.

If you fell down, get back up again. That's what Jeremiah said. If you fell down, get up.

Call it what God calls it. Now, what does a church produce? This church in His Word produces righteousness and holiness. It has discernment.

Discernment's not hid from it. This church right here overcomes the world and the flesh and the devil. This church right here produces in the temples love, joy, peace, long-suffering, goodness, gentleness, meekness, temperance, faith.

You can't produce that in a devil sitting in a church building. You can't produce that in a tyrant that won't repent. And so what we've done is tell the stubborn and stiff-necked on Sunday morning how righteous He is, because He's part of our group.

You know what that is? That's teaching the security of the unbeliever. What do we produce? Works or the fruit of the Spirit? Now, let's just ask ourselves, where is God in all this we've been doing? What is He doing? We'll see where this numbers foundation comes from, all this counting. That's not to count.

We had to count here to know how many to set up, to know how many is coming in and so forth like that. But there's a different counting than letting your heart go to the thing. Our heart goes to the grace of God that chose you to bring you here.

Our heart goes to Him that we can fellowship together. My heart goes to the Lord because I've got a part. You've got a part.

Your part's just as important as my part. I'm telling you, it's Jesus and neither one of us. So what do we got to boast about, right? Turn to Romans 8, please.

The Pharisees had some traditions set up, didn't they? Do you? When His disciples and Jesus and John the Baptist started touching these gold caves, the scribes started writing, didn't they? And the Pharisees started yelling, particularly the chief preachers. The responsibility is not on the chief preachers. The responsibility is on the Lord and that is the rest.

Oh, there is a responsibility, but you know what I'm saying there. Now, in Romans 8, verse 2. I read this yesterday. I want to see it.

For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. Now, the law of sin and the lust of the flesh, you're set free. You're under grace.

I mean, you don't have to obey the lust of the flesh. You're free from it. I'm telling you, the Lord Jesus Christ, you died with Him at Calvary.

You don't have to be a slave to it unless that's where your heart is. And you put yourself under law when that's where you live for the lust of the flesh. Now, verse 4. In order that the law, that the requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh.

If you're walking according to the flesh, you've not died to the flesh. Is that correct? So the law is not fulfilled in you if you're not dying to the flesh. But it's being fulfilled in the ones who are walking, there it is, according to the Spirit.

Now, you're led by the Spirit of God. And that frees you. And you always know that the Spirit of God is going to lead you right here in what this Bible says right here.

He wrote this law on your heart. How did He write this law on your heart? When the Spirit of God joined your spirit right there, He knows the whole Bible. He's got it right there for you.

What you need in any situation. So you'll always know, if that's where your heart is, what to do. Now, I want you to turn back to Romans 7. And I want you to look at me here right now.

A person in his heart, now let's forget about whether he's, what kind of a denomination or what we label a church member or whatever like that he is. I'm going to tell you what. If his heart, if his heart right here, that's this inner man, lives for the, see, you're married to this, when your heart lives for the lust of the flesh, that's what you're married to.

You are married to that old man. You hear me? You're married to this thing. I mean, you're joined together.

Your heart is joined together to your flesh. And I want to tell you, you are under the law, if that's where your heart is. You're not under grace.

Now, you might have said somewhere and have gone through some form of godliness or whatever. Because a person's heart that goes to the lust of the flesh is not being led by the Spirit of God. Now, that's just plain and simple.

Now, I want to show you, we're going to look at an adulteress right here in Romans 7. Verse 1, Or do you not know, brethren, for I am speaking to those who know the law, that the law has jurisdiction over a person as long as he lives? Now, let me just put it. As long as you live in the flesh, this law, you're going to answer to everything in it and judgment. I mean, you're under it.

You hear me? And if you're in the flesh, you're before God, you're obligated to obey every last word of it if you're going to do it without the Lord Jesus Christ, without grace. And you can't do it, of course. You can't even obey the Ten Commandments.

Now, verse 2, For the married woman is bound by the law, and that's when you're like, let's talk about when you're married to the flesh, you're bound by the law to her husband. You're bound to the flesh. Now, the husband right here in this situation is the old man.

You're under the law. You're bound to the law. You're not out from under it until you're died to the flesh and lived by the Spirit of God.

Now, we're going to see this. She's bound to her husband, the old man, while he is living. Now, while he is living out there means he hasn't died or dying.

Are you hearing me? All right, let's go on. But if her husband dies, look at me. We're going to have to stop.

We don't go too fast. If the old man dies, that's what he's saying, she is released from the what? Because when you die to this, you're under the Spirit, and you're released from the law. You're not under the law.

Amen. You're released from a law concerning the husband. Amen.

If this old man dies, you're kind of free to get you another husband, aren't you? Huh? Huh? All right, let's go on in three. So then if while her husband is living, that means the flesh hasn't died. The flesh is not being put to death.

Sons of God do put the flesh to death. Is that right? That's what they're doing. So then while her husband is living, she is joined to another man.

Now, look at me right here. Let's just stop there. While the husband is living, that means while this old man is still alive, what he's fixing to say, and you're going to be joined to Jesus, you're going to get you another husband.

And you know, that's like having your two husbands. They're supposed to die. She is joined to another man.

She is called a what? Is that playing? Try to fit that in a box. Let's go back and read that again. Verse 3. So then if while her husband is living, that means this is alive right there.

If this is alive right there, you know what that proves? That's where your heart is. Because the Lord has made a provision to put it to death. Is that correct? You choose with your will that this is going to lie because that's where your heart is.

Of course, people who have a form of godliness are not innocent dying there. They don't even resist the devil. It comes to stir it up.

Ignore him. See, we did see over in 1 Peter 5 that the faith of all is resisting the devil and suffering and dying in the flesh. Is that correct? Shake your head.

So then if while her husband is living, that's the old man, she is joined to another man, you're going to find out that this is Jesus. She shall be called adulteress. But if her husband dies, now this is this flesh right here that has people under the law.

I mean, when you understand, I mean, you're free from sin. And I'm telling you what, if you do happen to sin, and single sin, I'm not talking about practicing sin. I mean, the Lord has made a provision at Calvary that where we can call dirt, dirt, and we can get back under grace.

We're not under law. And that's what a repentant heart is. It calls things what God calls it.

It's agreeing with Him. But if her husband dies, that means the flesh, she is what? You're free from law. You're not under this law.

You're not under works. I mean, you're in liberty and freedom. You're under grace.

You know why I helped tell the devil when he comes with guilt and condemnation? Devil, when he comes to attack your body, I'll not receive it. I'm under grace. And you're attacked in a dead body.

That's where you walk, and that's where you stay. And you, it's no works. I mean, you don't have to get running started or anything.

Just agree with God and get in on it. Folks, we've just fixed intermittent things. We're on the threshold right now of grace.

God's moving us into a place where we get our eyes off of folks. Start giving Him all the glory, all the praise. That tires up systems.

It's been getting glory. Folks, it's been getting glory. Don't like this.

I'll tell you what stopping it's like. Do you ever get in front of a freight train and tell it to stop? But if her husband dies, she is free from the law so that she is not a what? Now, I don't want to go too fast. I want you to just meditate on this.

Look here what it's saying. If her husband dies, you know this is why it's called the old man. That's the old man.

That's where your heart lives, the old man. No lust there. It's carting.

So if her husband dies, that means the only way that that can die is in Christ Jesus. You know that, don't you? A lot of people want to do this without the grace and it just don't work. It won't work.

But if you die, if this old man dies, then you're free from the law. That means you're not under the law so that you're not an adulteress. Now, is that pretty plain? That's not double-minded exactly, is it? Well, let's sink in a little bit.

It's right there in your Bible. Though she is joined to another man, and who do you think that man is? The other man is Jesus. You're not an adulteress because you've died to this.

I think I'm hearing a little harlot ring, seeing what a harlot is. You know what a harlot is? That's a pretender of one's who pretends obedience to the Lord. A form of godliness.

That's a harlot. Don't try to fit this in the boxes. It won't work.

You won't see what the Bible is saying if something up here is trying to probe it and trying to fit it in a box. It won't go. Now, therefore, verse 4, For my brethren, you also were made to die to the law, die to the flesh, through the body of Christ, and not beyond the law, because you're going to die to the flesh, that you might be joined to another.

Now, you're going to die to the flesh. You're going to get out from under the law that you be joined to the Lord Jesus Christ, who was raised from the dead, and then what happens? Look at me. Look at me here.

Three more need to look. Now, look at me. I'm going along, and what is my fruit in my life before I come to the Lord Jesus Christ? My fruit is a covenant with Satan, right? Here's my walk.

That's my deeds back here. It's walking. The fruit, it comes all with me.

It's Satan. I come to the Lord. I see the light.

I'm in agreement with him in my heart, so I repent. Lord, I change directions in my heart. I break covenant with you, Satan, the lust of the flesh.

I now, instead of being led by the lust of the flesh, which I was a puppet of the powers of darkness when I'm led there, a puppet, a slave, a captive, a prisoner, I now receive the Lord Jesus Christ as Lord. He and I are joined together, and the two become one. And I have a new identity, and I have a new walk, putting this to that.

I've got a hedge around me. I walk in peace. And if you notice, that what I want to do, the Lord wants me to die to this.

Now, let me ask you something. Why do I have to die to this? Look at me. I die to this, so I can bear fruit for God instead of Satan, right? Because when I walk after this, I'm bearing, the lust of the flesh, I'm bearing fruit for Satan.

Is that right? Now, this is brought about by the grace and the power of the cross to put this to death. This has to be put to death so that I can bear fruit for God, which means that is being conformed to the image and likeness of God, and that's what covenant is, to bring us from the image and likeness of Satan where Adam, where we were cursed in place by Adam to move into Jesus to become in the image and likeness of God. That's what the last Adam come, what the first Adam put us in this place.

The last Adam come here to covenant to bring us out of back in the image and likeness of God. Now, a form of godliness wants to do it a different way. A form of godliness won't turn this loose because in this thing, the form of godliness has to be somebody that has to share the glory.

This wants some of the glory. This needs some of the attention to help God out. I'll just read that verse again.

I'm not going to run through this too fast. Four. Therefore, my brethren, you also were made to die to the law through the body of Christ.

That's die of the flesh so you'll not be under the law, that you might be joined to another. Now, that's being joined to Jesus, to him. Now, you're made to die to the flesh.

Who was raised from the dead, you're dying to the flesh, you're joined to Jesus. There it is right there. That we might bear fruit.

For who? Now, is that plain? That's not real complicated, is it? Now, let's go on. For while we were, circle were there about three times. So when you come back and read these things again, you'll see you were in the flesh, which means you not in the flesh no more are obeying the lust of the flesh.

Amen. And for some reason in your learning process, if you do, you repent and you're not under the law in that area of your life. Because when you get under the law in an area in your life, that is when the powers of darkness the hedges down for them to attack you and to war against your spirit.

War against your soul, what your mind, will, and emotion. Amen. So they can war in that particular area where you want to get under the law.

When you want to get under the law, that means you don't want to give up that area of your life, your old lust flesh. Now, but you were in the flesh, you were married to the old man, in the sinful what? I can't hear you. Well, what does that mean? That means fruit for the devil, right? Sinful passions, which were, what we read over in Galatians 5, that those who belong to Christ Jesus have died to the flesh with its passions and desires.

Is that what your Bible said? I told you the refrigerator verse, remember? I think it's 524. Though you were in the flesh, the sinful passions, which were aroused by the law, were at work in the members of your body to bear fruit for what? When your heart and when you're living at the lust of flesh, you're bearing fruit for death. You're going to know the mother what? You're going to know the mother fruit.

I'll tell you what, this fruit business is going to get a lot more interesting, isn't it? You look at the fruit and you can tell what's in the heart. You understand that? If you look at the fruit, you can see who they're listening to. You know where they're coming from.

Let me tell you something. There's one thing Satan can't counterfeit and that's love. He can't counterfeit it at all.

Or he can get, you know, in our flesh, we're going to love somebody into something. You know, instead of letting the spirit of God and by the words of God, just hold off, Holy Ghost. Just hold back here.

We're going to do it right here. We're just going to love somebody into something. We're going to do this, listen, we're going to put some of this human compassion on them right here.

You know, somebody's just fixing to sit in an electric chair and has a little human compassion on him. What's that got to do with the spirit of God? That's works. Now, that's bearing fruit for death.

Verse 6, but now we, please circle now and shout. But now we have been released from the law, not of the law, but we have what? Circle, say it again. You have died, circle died.

You've died to that which you were bound. And the reason you know you've died to it, I don't see any of it coming out of you. A form of godliness is say you died and go on doing it.

You've died to that which we were bound, so now we serve in the newness, please underline that, the newness of what? I mean we've changed direction. We serve in the newness of the spirit and not in the oldness of the letter, not in the law. Freedom.

Liberty and freedom. Liberty and freedom. And you know what, you know what really the exciting thing of all that the Lord and his spirit today is doing, the revelation of all of it, that everything right here points to grace.

And it takes the responsibility off of us to be anything but in grace and getting in on it, which is the rest, which is the Sabbath which we're called into in Hebrews 3 and 4. We're called into rest because this grace reveals to us it never was us. It's all him. And that's a process that we're learning more and more.

It's just all him. It's all him. I mean it's all God.

And he simply said get in on it. Don't start building your tower into heaven like you did at Babel. You know Babel means Babel, Babel, Babel, Babel, Babel words.

You know they took brick and used tar for mortar. In Genesis, that's the first one, and they come up and say, God, we're coming to heaven. You're obligated to receive us the way we want to come.

Well, that's an interesting thing happened to them. They all began speaking a different language, didn't they? You know, somehow that reminds me of today a lot. A little confusion.

Isn't it a little confusion that everybody is going to heaven and they all speak in a different language? I'm telling you folks, you better open your spiritual ears. The Lord's leading you in a way you've never been before. If you can't hear the word, you can't be led to the spirit of God.

You might turn into a scornful. You know what a scoffer is? A scoffer is someone whose heart leads you. They've always come against the spirit in the work of the Lord.

You can't help it. You're driven to be hostile, hostile to the word of God. That's a scoffer in his corner.

He's the one that always wants his flesh blessed. That is a scoffer. I'm just going to show it to you later.

All right, now. So it's natural. See, when somebody says, it's just my nature to do this.

It's my nature to be like Satan. It's all right, sure. That's a form of godliness.

That is a form of godliness. That's not godliness. That is the mystery of iniquity.

That is not the mystery of godliness. Let's say, so we just want to say, God just made me that way. He made you.

You're beautifully made in your body, but you've got the nature of the devil, and you're in covenant with Satan in your heart because that's where your heart is married to, and you're a puppet when you live for the lust of flesh. God is not mocked. Whatever you sow, you reap.

You reap to the flesh, and you reap corruption. But we see in 2 Peter 1 that through these precious promises to be in Christ Jesus, that we've died to Christ, that we're freed from the law, that we're freed from this old man, and now we've taken on a new nature, which is a divine nature. And this divine nature, let me tell you, this divine nature that we walk in, your deeds are in the image and likeness of God.

All things have passed away. All things have become new. That's the reason the Lord said, you now overcome in this new walk.

Let me get back over. I want to be walking the same direction. In this new walk, I overcome by the blood of the Lamb.

Overcome everything. The world, the flesh, and the devil, everything. The flesh I overcome because of the victory at Calvary, which is the blood of the Lamb.

The word of my testimony and my faith is what God says. I don't lean to what I see, smell, taste, hear, and build. He said it.

That's where I'm standing. I'm standing on the foundation of the Word, the rock. Overcome the blood of the Lamb and the word of my testimony and love not my flesh anymore unto death.

That's the way to overcome. But if I don't die to this flesh and if I'm going to love this, that means the door is still open for the powers of darkness to get to me, which means my heart loves for the gods of this world who are the powers of darkness. I love the ministry of them to come and minister to my flesh more than I do God to come and minister.

And that pulls the hedge down. This is what puts you on the law. Do you see this? When you get on the law and every life, here they come.

The floodgates open and until you repent, until you turn from it, until you cover this with the blood, they've got a breach in your life. Now, let me show you one other thing. Let me just do this one.

While you're talking about in Christ, later on we'll see in 1 John 2, being in Christ is obeying the commandments of God. Obeying God. It says over and over, to be a doer of the word, to do the will of God, do not obey the lust, but do the will of God, the will of God, the will of God.

Amen? Well, I hear it's a peace walk. Does it say it's a peace walk? All right, when you're in Christ Jesus, when you're in Christ Jesus, you have repented. Now, if you miss this, you're going to miss a bunch.

Let me take my glasses off so I can see you. When I repent, the Lord shows me of all the sins. I repent and turn from Him in my heart.

I'm living. I've denied my flesh. I've taken up my cross.

I'm falling at the Lord Jesus Christ. That's what he said you have to do when you come after me. He said whoever loves this carton is going to lose it.

Whoever loves this life is going to lose it. But whoever loses his life carton, die to it. For my sake and the gospel is the one who's going to save it.

See, there's a little difference in a sermonette that tells all the things a disciple is supposed to be and do and then kind of wind it up and just, you know, just one thing. Now, after you finish all this. Now, God knows we can't do that, but He just wants you to be willing to.

That has a big ring of hell in it. That has a ring of hell in it. I don't hear the ring of grace in that.

I hear the ring that God can't keep us and He can't empower us. Now, I'm in Christ. I'm in Christ.

I've repented, see, and I've repented. I've turned from all these things. And everything to the Lord shall be broken.

Sorry, I repent. I changed. I cried out, sorry.

Repentance. I didn't change direction up here. I changed right here in my heart.

And so, when I did it, you ever see anybody broken, crying out the Lord? You ever notice what peace is all over them when they just stayed down there and just cried the Lord? Hey, they come up and Jesus is all over them. You know what that is? Peace. And there, you know how that peace is there? Maybe one of those angels, mighty and strength, says, demons, move out and shut up.

And then all of a sudden, here He is, where all these pressures of the world was coming at Him and the powers of darkness. All of a sudden, He's in Jesus. And all those pressures are hitting Jesus.

They're all hitting Him and He's just sitting there. It's peace and just so much fun. The walls are coming down.

The ceiling's falling in. And you know the Lord said something like, I'll prepare a table for you in the midst of the enemies. In other words, sit down and eat.

Have some bread. Peace. And then comes Mr. Unforgiveness over there.

Bob, I'm glad you're still sitting there, brother. And he shoots one of those flaming missiles in there. You know, just a missile.

He just shoot it in there. And he said, you know, Bob shouldn't have done that to you. I said, shut up.

Shut up, devil. Ain't coming out. Ain't coming out.

Ain't coming out, lust. Ain't coming out, jealousy. Here comes envy.

Ain't coming out, envy. You know when I come out? I get myself under the law there, you know, in the flesh. And then that's where they get to ground to war against your mind, will, and emotions.

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