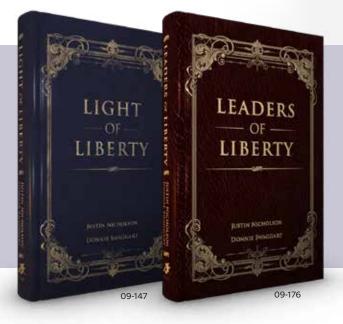
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**ALL BELIEVERS ARE** married to Christ. We are to look to Him exclusively for all things, whatever that may be. This means that our faith is to be in Christ and the cross and nothing else. Failing that means that our faith is in something else, and even though the something else may be good in its own right, still, it is not faith in Christ and the cross, which means that such a believer is being unfaithful to Christ, which is "spiritual adultery."

To be sure, such affects the Holy Spirit greatly. While He doesn't leave us, and thank God for that, still, He is greatly hindered.

Considering that the Holy Spirit works exclusively within the parameters of the finished work of Christ, meaning that it is the cross of Christ that gives Him the legal right to do all that He does, we start to see how serious all of this is.

The Lord doesn't require very much of us, but He does require one thing, and that is for our faith to be exclusively in Christ and what Christ has done for us at the cross.

# EVERYTHING COMES THROUGH THE

**CROSS** The believer must understand that while Christ is the source of all things from God, it is the cross that is the means by which all of these things are given to us. To receive them, whatever they might be, the cross of Christ must ever be the object of our faith. Spiritual adultery, i.e., unfaithfulness, is a serious sin, to say the least. Whether we realize it or not, this type of unfaithfulness actually says that the cross of Christ was not enough and needs something added. One can well imagine, considering the price that Christ paid, how great this insult is.

**THE WORD OF GOD** Paul explains this in the first five verses of Romans 7: "*Know ye not*, *Brethren* (Paul is speaking to believers), (*for I speak to them who know the law*,) (he is speaking of the law of Moses, but it could refer to any type of religious law) *how that the law has*  dominion over a man as long as he lives? (The law has dominion as long as he tries to live by law. Regrettably, not understanding the cross regarding sanctification, virtually the entirety of the church is presently trying to live for God by means of the law. Let the believer understand that there are only two places he can be, grace or law. If he doesn't understand the cross as it refers to sanctification, which is the only means of victory, he will automatically be under law, which guarantees failure.)"

**THE MARRIAGE BOND** "For the woman which has an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he lives (presents Paul using the analogy of the marriage bond); but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband (meaning that she is free to marry again)."

**AN ADULTERESS** "So then if, while her husband lives, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress (in effect, the woman now has two husbands, at least in the eyes of God; following this analogy, the Holy Spirit through Paul will give us a great truth; many Christians are living a life of spiritual adultery; they are married to Christ, but they are, in effect, serving another husband, 'the law'; it is quite an analogy!): but if her husband be dead (the law is dead by virtue of Christ having fulfilled the law in every respect), she is free from that law (if the husband dies, the woman is free to marry and serve another; the law of Moses, being satisfied in Christ, is now dead to the believer, and the believer is free to serve Christ without the law having any part or parcel in his life or living); so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man (presents the believer as now married to Christ, and no longer under obligation to the law)."

**THE BODY OF CHRIST** "Wherefore, my brethren, you also are become dead to the law (the law is not dead per se, but we are dead to the "All of this means in brief that we as believers are married to Christ. As such, and as stated, He is to meet our every need simply because He alone can meet our every need."

law because we are dead to its effects: this means that we are not to try to live for God by means of 'law,' whether the law of Moses, or laws made up by other men or of ourselves; we are to be dead to all law) by the body of Christ (this refers to the crucifixion of Christ, which satisfied the demands of the broken law which we could not satisfy; but Christ did it for us; having fulfilled the law in every respect, the Christian is not obligated to law in any fashion, only to Christ and what He did at the cross); that you should be married to another (speaking of Christ), even to Him who is raised from the dead (we are raised with Him in newness of life, and we should ever understand that Christ has met, does meet, and shall meet our every need; we look to Him exclusively, referring to what He did for us at the cross), that we should bring forth fruit unto God (proper fruit can only be brought forth by the believer constantly looking to the cross; in fact, Christ must never be separated from the work of the cross; to do so is to produce 'another Jesus' [II Cor. 11:4])."

FLESH AND THE LAW "For when we were in the flesh (can refer to the unsaved state or to the believer who is attempting to overcome the powers of sin by his own efforts, i.e., 'the flesh'), the motions of sins (denotes being under the power of the sin nature, and refers to the 'passions of the sin nature'), which were by the law (the effect of the law is to reveal sin, which law is designed to do whether it's the law of God or laws made up of ourselves; that doesn't mean it's evil, for it isn't; it just means that there is no victory in the law, only the revelation of sin and its penalty), did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death (when the

believer attempts to live for the Lord by means of law, which, regrettably, most of the modern church does, the end result is going to be sin and failure; in fact, it can be no other way; let us say it again, if the believer doesn't understand the cross, as it refers to sanctification, then the believer is going to try to live for God by means of law; the sadness is that most of the modern church thinks it is under grace when, in reality, it is living under law because of not understanding the cross)" (Rom. 7:1-5, The Expositor's Study Bible).

**THE CROSS OF CHRIST** All of this means, in brief, that we as believers are married to Christ. As such, He is to meet our every need simply because He alone can meet our every need. The moment we resort to law, which refers to placing our faith in anything else other than the cross of Christ, this constitutes spiritual

adultery. Considering that the modern church knows next to nothing about the cross of Christ as it refers to our sanctification, i.e., how we live this life, this means that their faith is in something other than Christ and the cross. It doesn't really matter too much what the other thing might be and, granted, that other thing might be something very good in its own right; still, the Lord construes such as spiritual adultery. In fact, this is what deceives believers.

What they have placed their faith in is good, in its own right, and because it is good—and even scriptural in its own way—it deceives them into believing that this is the right way to go.

But again, everything we receive from God comes to us by and through Jesus Christ and by the means of the cross. He does not give us and, in fact, cannot give us anything other than by and through the cross. Consequently, our faith must be registered completely in Christ and what He did for us at the cross. That being done, the grace of God, which works exclusively by and through the cross of Christ, can flow to us in an uninterrupted manner. Otherwise, we cut off the grace of God, which means that we cut off all blessings.

**THE YOKE OF BONDAGE** Listen again to Paul. He said, "*Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free* (we were made free, and refers to freedom to live a holy life by evidencing faith in Christ and the cross), *and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage*. (To abandon the cross and go under law of any kind guarantees bondage once again to the sin nature.)"

**CHRIST SHALL PROFIT YOU NOTHING** "Behold ('mark my words!'), *I* Paul say unto you (presents the apostle's authority regarding the message he brings), that if you be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing. (If the believer goes back into law, and law of any kind, what Christ did at the cross on our behalf will profit us nothing. One cannot have it two ways.)"

**A DEBTOR TO THE LAW** *"For I testify again to every man who is circumcised* (some of the Galatian Gentiles were being pressured by false teachers to embrace the law of Moses, which meant they would have to forsake Christ and the cross, for it's not possible to wed the two; as well, it's not possible to wed any law to grace), that he is a debtor to do the whole law (which, of course, is impossible; and besides, the law contained no salvation)."

**YOU ARE FALLEN FROM GRACE** "Christ is become of no effect unto you (this is a chilling statement, and refers to anyone who makes anything other than Christ and the cross the object of his faith), whosoever of you are justified by the law (seek to be justified by the law); you are fallen from grace (fallen from the position of grace, which means the believer is trusting in something other than the cross; it actually means, 'to apostatize')" (Gal. 5:1-4, The Expositor's Study Bible).

This article continues in the September issue of The Evangelist.

# THE PRICELESS CORNER

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#### 1. GOD LOVES YOU!

"For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

#### 2. MAN IS A SINNER, AND SIN HAS SEPARATED HIM FROM GOD

"For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not" (Eccl. 7:20).

*"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God"* (Rom. 3:23).

#### 3. JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY REMEDY FOR SIN

"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God ..." (I Peter 3:18).

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

#### 4. YOU MUST RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR PERSONAL LORD AND SAVIOR

Jesus calls this experience the new birth. He told Nicodemus: "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3).

We invite you now to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Savior. "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name" (John 1:12).

#### WE BELIEVE:

• The Bible is the inspired and only infallible and authoritative written Word of God (Ps. 119; Matt. 4:4; Luke 24:27).

• There is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit (I John 5:7).

In the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, in His personal future return to this earth in power and glory to rule a thousand years (Jn. 1:1-4; Eph. 2:13-18; Rev. 19-20).
In the blessed hope — the rapture of the church at Christ's coming (I Thess. 4:13-18).

• The only means of being cleansed from sin is through Repentance and faith in the precious blood of Christ (Rom. 5:1; Eph. 2:8-9, 13-18).

• Regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation (John 3:5-8; Titus 3:5).

• The redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer (Ex. 15:25-26; James 5:14-15; I Peter 2:24).

• The baptism with the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4 is given to believers who ask for it (Acts 2:4; 10:44-46; 19:1-7).

In the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life (Rom. 6:3-14; 8:1-2, 11).
In the resurrection of both the saved and the lost: the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation (Rev. 20:5-6, 11-15).

PRAY THIS PRAYER AND MEAN IT WITH ALL OF YOUR HEART: "Dear God in heaven, I now realize that I am a sinner. I accept the fact that You died for me on the rugged cross of Calvary. I now open my heart's door and receive You as Savior and Lord of my life. Please take full control of me and help me to be the kind of Christian You want me to be. Amen."

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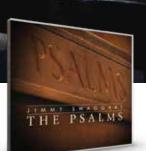


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# ARTICLE BY Frances Swaggart

Within our ministry complex, we have a building named after Blanche Appleby (1887-1968). She was a tremendous missionary in South China and the Philippines. Whenever I hear people ask whether or not women should be in ministry, preach, or pastor a church (and most who ask are against it), I think of women like Sister Appleby. I'd like to share with you part of her story, told by someone who knew her, missionary Charles Greenaway. The following is retold in part from his recollections of Blanche Appleby, which printed in *The Evangelist* thirty-seven years ago.

# A Woman of God

AS OUR CARAVAN rolled toward Senegal, West Africa in 1956, where we would be the first missionaries to enter its hinterland, we knew that a lot of the prayers that brought this opening came from a dear friend of many years, Blanche Appleby. She was a petite, frail lady, but big and mighty in faith. This little woman, after twenty-six years of rugged pioneer work in South China, found time to write us encouraging letters, telling us that God had answered her, and that this land would be opened. What makes this all so remarkable is that after all the years of her missionary endeavor in South China and the Philippines, she was willing to share our burden.

This beautiful lady, who would have been at home in any so-called sophisticated circle, was really a giant of faith and courage who brought Christ to such places as the City of Nine Dragons and established a Pentecostal mission in Pig Alley in the town called Bundle of Reeds.

She prayed. She fought devils of every description because of the intense suffering of her beloved Chinese as their crops failed—because of the merciless taxation, severe war, exploitation by bandits and uncontrolled armies, the locust pests; because of seven plagues that reduced to beggary more than 400 million Chinese; because of girls being sold for prostitution.

Blanche looked deep into the hearts of the Chinese people and found there a desperate desire for eternal life. She saw how the Chinese believed that to merit any attention from God, they must earn it. So they worshipped sacred trees, mountains, idols, and ancestors. They climbed the sacred mountain, Mount Tai. Blanche watched deluded worshipers climb the torturous 6,300 steps that led to the "South Gate of Heaven" with bleeding hands and knees, hoping the gods would take note of their suffering and give merit.

Blanche felt all of this as she traveled the rivers on stinking cattle boats, ate what she could manage to swallow, and slept where there was no bed. She endured hardship almost as a gift from God. This was no Goliath of a man—this was a little, refined lady from southern aristocracy. But in her heart a fire burned more fiercely against the powers of hell than a nuclear meltdown.

Finally, she had to leave China during the communist takeover, but she did not retire. She went on to the Philippines. You would think she had endured enough, but the end was not yet.

On December 27, 1941, Blanche, along with hundreds of other people, was taken prisoner by the Japanese.

# "But in her heart a fire burned more fiercely against the powers of hell than a nuclear meltdown."



BLANCHE APPLEBY

I'm going to interrupt Brother Greenaway's story for a moment to say that according to Sister Appleby's own account, this would be the first of two prison camps that she would endure in the Philippines. She was released from her first internment on January 30, 1942. But on July 7, 1944, she was arrested again and taken to Los Banos, where she was held for eight months. At a certain point, prisoners were put on starvation rations, part of which was "rice and corn gruel, which was wormy and musty and contained from one-third to two-thirds water."<sup>3</sup>

Sister Appleby's weight dropped from 115 to 79 pounds, and keep in mind, she was, at that time, in her late fifties. She and others did their best to keep from starving by supplementing their diet with certain weeds. She wrote, "I can remember one day I was in a gully picking some weeds and tears were streaming down my face, when suddenly the Spirit of God came upon me, and I began to sing, 'I know the Lord will make a way for me.' I went back to camp with my weeds. Before dawn, we were told, 'You are free."<sup>4</sup>

According to the U.S. Army Airborne & Special Operations Museum, "On February 23, 1945, the U.S. Army Airborne and Filipino guerrilla task force combined their efforts to liberate 2,147 Allied civilian and military internees from Los Banos Internment Camp, a Japanese prison camp."<sup>5</sup>

Blanch Appleby was one of those freed. She wrote, "The General in command had counted on only rescuing about eighty percent, but they rescued one hundred percent. General MacArthur's comment was, 'Surely God helped us that day.' It was one of the most marvelous rescues in military history."<sup>6</sup>

In 1955, just ten years after this liberation, *The Pentecostal Evangel* reported on a survey of American Protestant missionaries serving in approximately forty different foreign lands. The survey revealed that 62 percent (about five thousand) of those missionaries were women.<sup>7</sup> How many of those, I wonder, were inspired by Blanche Appleby and other women of God to become missionaries themselves?

We owe it to our daughters and granddaughters to make them aware of godly women like Blanche Appleby, especially now, when society is finding it difficult to even define what a woman is, let alone a woman of God. (I'm thinking of the confirmation hearing for then Supreme Court nominee Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson, when Sen. Marsha Blackburn asked her to define the word woman, and Jackson replied, "I can't.")<sup>8</sup>

Lord, help us to raise up a new generation of young women who, like Blanche Appleby, can pray, preach, persevere, and, by Your Spirit, prevail for the sake of winning souls to the Lord Jesus Christ both here and abroad.

August 1986, 53.

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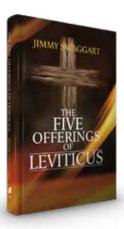
Under Holy Spirit conviction, the sinner knows that he needs a Savior, so he turns to the cross and puts his faith in Jesus Christ. Yet, when he fails the Lord and sins—as all Christians do-he works to follow rules and regiments that he believes will win him victory over the world, the flesh, and the Devil, but instead loses again and again. Evangelist Jimmy Swaggart explains why believers must keep their faith in the cross of Christ, and that faith moved from the finished work of Christ, will summon believers to the never-ending bondage that law of any kind requires. 09-155



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# ARTICLE BY **Donnie Swaggart**

"And it came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage. And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect unto them." –EXODUS 2:23-25

# **God Remembered His Covenant**

IN THESE THREE verses we find four great promises. Promises not just for Israel of old but for us today as well. The promises are as follows:

# **GOD HEARS**

Exodus 2:24 says, "God heard their groaning." The children of Israel are in the midst of severe persecution by Pharaoh. Exodus 1:11 says that he appointed taskmasters over them to afflict them. Verse 13 of the same chapter says they were made to serve "with rigour," which refers to ruthlessness and cruelty. Verse 14 says their lives were bitter, meaning that their lives were harsh, backbreaking, debilitating, and weak. They lived under hard bondage referring to forced labor or slavery.

All of this caused Israel to cry and to sigh "by reason of bondage," which led to them groaning, meaning "to utter sounds of despair." In their groaning and crying, the text says that God heard them. The believer must take this great truth to heart, for as God heard their cries and groanings, He hears our groanings and cries as well. The Lord is constantly aware of our situations. Nothing escapes His ears. Just as earthly parents hear the cries of their children, so are the Lord's ears ever attuned to the cries

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"What He has spoken, He will bring to pass."

of His children. I Pet. 3:12 says, "For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers."

Don't let Satan tell you that the Lord doesn't hear your cries. He does hear. He not only hears our cries, but He will do something about it (Ex. 3:7-8)

# **GOD REMEMBERS**

Exodus 2:24 says, "God remembered his covenant." This is referring to the Abrahamic covenant found in Genesis 12:1-3: "Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: and I will bless them who bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed." Through the loins of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob would come a great nation, Israel. Though they were now slaves in a foreign country, the Lord did not forget His promises. This tells us that circumstances are no hindrance to God. He made a promise, and there was nothing Egypt could do to stop God from bringing forth that which He had promised. For us, this

says that the promises of God as found in the Bible will not be forgotten. What He has spoken, He will bring to pass.

# GOD SEES

Exodus 2:25 says, "And God looked upon the children of Israel." The word looked means more than just to see. It carries the idea of not only observing but also being concerned—concern that causes the one looking to do something about the situation being observed. Thank God, He not only looks down upon us, but in His looking, He is looking to help us in our time of need. Exodus 3:7-8 tells us that the Lord saw their affliction, and His seeing caused Him to deliver them.

# GOD HAD RESPECT UNTO THEM

The word *respect*, as used in Exodus 2:25, refers to God's knowledge of people, knowing the heart, or knowing the suffering of His people.

The whole idea in these verses is that the Lord minutely watches over His children. He is the Great Shepherd who delights in watching over His sheep. Everything that happens to us is noticed by God, and the greatest example is that God looked down upon a sin-benighted world and saw the pain and suffering; He heard the cries of the lost, and He sent down His Son to die for humanity.

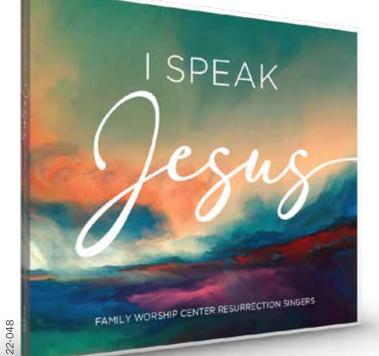
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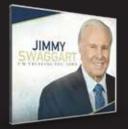
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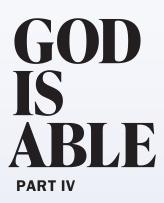
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# ARTICLE BY Gabriel Swaggart

"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen." –EPHESIANS 3:20-21



TOO OFTEN, WE focus on what is against us instead of who is for us. We must never forget whom we belong to, and that God is on our side, and He can do whatever He pleases. We are limited because we are finite creatures, but God is limitless in His power, infinite in His wisdom, and has nothing but the best for His children. Despite that, just knowing that He can do the absolute impossible does not mean that the power of God will be unleashed on our behalf automatically. But instead, it comes down to where our faith is located. If our faith is anchored in the cross of Christ, then we will begin to experience victory as we have never experienced it before. All victory, whether over something small or something great, is found in Christ and the cross. It goes back to what we stated earlier, the moment that we begin to look to Christ and the cross for our everyday life and living, this unleashes the Helper, the Holy Spirit, to work in our lives to bring about the victory that is needed.

There are scores of Christians all around the world who are living miserable Christian lives, and there is no way around it. Nevertheless, there is hope. The answer is found not in our strength and abilities but in the power of God, which works through the cross of Christ. He can bring about the victory that we so desperately seek, and He is able to bring about the change that is needed. He can deliver us from the snares of the enemy and heal our broken hearts, to set us free from the sin that easily afflicts us. Our God is able! All victory stems from what Christ accomplished and not what we accomplished.

# ABOVE ALL WE CAN ASK OR THINK

Not only is God able, but He is "able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think." How exciting is this? Not only is He able, but He can also do more than we can ever imagine. The word exceeding in Greek means "above and beyond." And the word abundant in Greek means "exceedingly abundantly above and beyond measure." So when Paul, under the direction of the Holy Spirit, used the words exceeding abundantly, he was, in reality, saying, "Above and beyond and then abundantly above our imaginations." Think of it this way, if God, who created the heavens and the

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earth and all that is within them and under them, and He has created the stars that hang in the sky and has named every single one of them, then there is nothing that our God cannot do. The Bible is full of examples of God performing the impossible for His people, and we must believe that God, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever (Heb. 13:8), can still do the impossible now.

God always and forever honors faith. Without faith, the Scripture says that we cannot please Him at all (Heb. 11:6). So to see the impossible become possible, faith must go above and beyond what is possible. It must go above and beyond our scope of thinking, for if it only goes to a certain point of what we can ask or think, it cannot be counted as faith. Faith reaches for what is impossible and holds to what cannot be done. For Christians, we must look beyond what we can ask or think and realize that God is able to do it. However, let us make one thing clearfaith must be exhibited before God can move. If there is no engagement of faith, then God will not move on our behalf. The reason that my grandfather has touched this world not once but twice was not because of talent or charisma but because of faith. As a child, it was drilled into him to believe God for the impossible because God was the God of the impossibilities, which has been passed down to me. I choose to believe God for the impossible because God is a big God, and there is nothing that He cannot do. But to receive that for which we ask, we must believe for the impossible. God is not limited as we are. When we choose to believe for the impossible, there are no limits to what God can do.



# THE POWER THAT WORKS WITHIN US

The power that Paul is referring to is the power of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit, as we have mentioned already, works through the means of the finished work of Christ and cannot work outside of those parameters. As much as the Holy Spirit desires to help us in all things, if we look somewhere other than what God has already provided, He will be severely limited in what He can do in our lives. Before we go any further, let us address one question: Is the Holy Spirit's work automatic? Unfortunately, many think that it is, but it is not. The potential is there, but His work is not automatic. The Holy Spirit will never supersede our free moral agency, and He will allow us to go in whatever direction we choose. If His work were automatic, we would never fail the Lord in anything we do, for He will never allow us to move in any direction other than what He orchestrates. It takes our cooperation with Him for our lives to become what He wants them to be, which is where the cross of Christ comes into play. To experience victory in every area of our lives, we must look exclusively to the cross of Christ for everything. Our dependence upon Christ allows the Holy Spirit to bring about the impossible in our lives. 🚿

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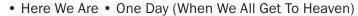


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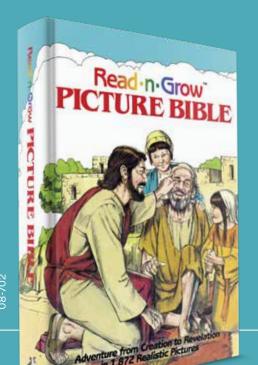
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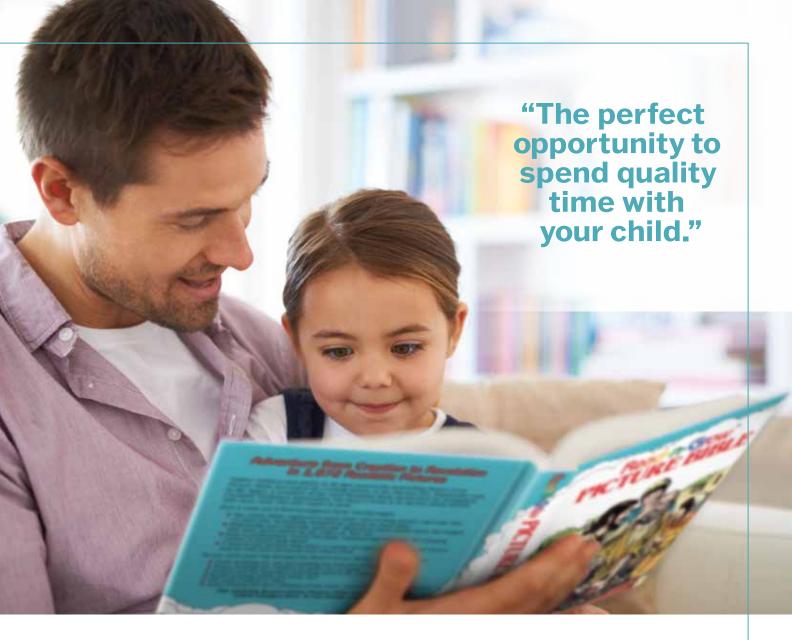
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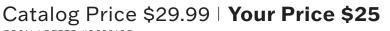


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thank God that the church and I are participating in the share-a-thons. I receive *The Evangelist*, and what a blessing! I pray for SBN on daily basis and God bless you and anoint you beyond your expectations and complete the task He has assigned to you. For indeed there is still much more souls to be saved! In all, to Jehovah God be all the praise and glory! **–KENYA** 

**Dear Reverend Swaggart**, I thank God for you, for The Expositor's Study Bible, which, since I started reading and studying, there are so many revelations that I got, that made it easy for me to teach my people the Word of God! Amen. —KENYA

**First of all**, I want you to know I used to be a Roman Catholic bishop. I worked in Ecuador. There, I met a wonderful girl, and I married her. Now we have six children and eight grandsons. Because of my great father, I was ordained as an evangelical pastor and now lead a small congregation of thirty people. I remembered your tremendous ministry several years ago, and I always wanted to contact you, but it was and it is almost impossible at the time. My desire is just to tell you I love you very much as I think you are a brave servant of the Lord, and your ministry is still touching a lot of hearts and changing a lot of lives. I want you to know we always pray for you, and we admire your preaching and knowledge of the Bible. May the God of peace fill your heart and bless your wonderful ministry! —ECUADOR

Hello Sister Swaggart, I think Frances & Friends is the best program on TV! I live in Australia, and I watch the SonLife Broadcasting Network so much that I find that I even talk with a Louisiana accent sometimes! I have been watching your network for several years now. I have it on 24/7. In fact, if I am moving around the house, then I have it on both TVs! I think the discussions are riveting, and the singers and musicians are absolutely top class. You all have taught me so much about the Bible, and I love the way you tackle the tough issues of the modern day world from a biblical perspective. Your program encourages free speech more than any other current affairs program on Australian TV. As you probably know, Australia is in the grip of corruption and evil woke ideology just like America is. It is no longer the fair and just country I knew growing up, and it is decaying by the minute. Our only hope is in Jesus. Last year, I underwent major surgery for cancer and then grueling chemotherapy treatment. I credit SBN with getting me through that profoundly dark time. I had

# "...I watch the SonLife Broadcasting Network so much that I find that I even talk with a Louisiana accent sometimes!" –AUSTRALIA

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it on all the time in hospital. The lyrics of the song, "In The Midst Of It All," speak directly to someone going through what I went through. I'm sure there are millions in that same position, and we appreciate your prayers so much. I have no supportive family or many close friends, so I leaned heavily on Jesus and SBN to get me through, and I am pleased to say that I am feeling well now. Praise God! I am a media member of the ministry. You are a wonderful inspiration to me personally, and I wish you, Brother Swaggart, and all those at the ministry a long and healthy life in the service of the Lord! God bless you all. -AUSTRALIA

When I was sixteen, I started smoking and drinking a lot. I quit school and got into trouble with the police. When I was nineteen, I was drafted and went to Vietnam. That's when I really got into drinking and marijuana heavy. When I got out of service, a girl I knew took me to a Jimmy Swaggart crusade at Brightmoor Tabernacle in Detroit. In that crusade, Brother Donnie was baptized. At the altar call, I stood up to leave, but the Lord turned me around and down to that altar! I got saved and delivered, and fifty-four years later, I am married to that girl, and FWC is our church! It was a one-step program! Love you all and have learned so much from SBN. -EMAIL

Greetings, Brother Swaggart! I grew up in Michigan as one of eight children. My dad went to heaven in 1976. My mom, who was active in the church and community, became a recluse for ten years. She only left home to visit the doctor. Her daily entertainment was watching stories on TV. While scanning the stations one day, she came across your telecast. From that day forward, she was hooked! Every day, God used your telecast to draw her to Him and deliver her from the life of a grievous recluse. In the late 1990s, she visited me here in Baton Rouge. She was elderly and had health issues. Her greatest desire was for me to take her to your

church, and that I did. After service, Sister Frances was leaving the sanctuary, and I hailed her at mom's request. She graciously came to greet her and gave her a gentle hug. After hearing her story, she urged me to take her to the platform where you were greeting others. I did so. After hearing her story, you came down and hugged her. The whole event was life-changing for her. Just wanted you to know how God used you mightily to bring restoration to a little old lady who was sinking fast. She was a believer and is in heaven now. May God continue to bless you and your ministry as you point others to the work of the cross! -LOUISIANA



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"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." --PROVERBS 20:1

# Wine Is a Mocker, Strong Drink Is Raging PART 1

**MY DAD'S POWERFUL TESTIMONY** As a boy growing up, I often heard about the negative results of drinking alcohol in my Dad's sermons. My father, who is in heaven, was converted to Christ from the life of a drunkard. During his young adult years, Dad admitted to all that he lived a very ungodly life—drinking, gambling, and making moonshine whiskey. By the age of twen-ty-eight, his life was out of control. His first wife had died, and he had become a drunkard. Soon, he came down with alcohol poisoning. With his parents and family praying much, Dad started attending revival meetings at the nearby Happy Hill Church of God and later wrote that he "went to the altar every night and felt nothing." Being led by the Holy Spirit, Dad located his deceased wife's old Bible and read Matthew 5:6, "*Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.*"

This powerful promise inspired him to believe and have faith that he could be saved and delivered from alcohol. Dad writes that he was walking outside between his house and the barn, and the presence of God came mightily over him, and he was born again by Christ Jesus and totally healed and delivered from alcohol. Later on, he was baptized in the Holy Spirit and called to preach. In about two years, Dad remarried and became an evangelist and pastor and preached the gospel for the next forty-eight years. With much emotion, He often reminded his children, "If you never take a drink, you will never become a drunkard like I was." Neither I nor any of my brothers and sisters ever got involved in drinking wine, alcohol, or strong drink. He warned us and preached to us the truth.

The wise and ancient king of Israel, Solomon, penned these words three thousand years ago, found in Proverbs 20:1, "*Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.*" In this one verse, God's Word describes the destructive results of drinking wine and strong drink.

**SHOCKING STATISTICS** The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) officially reported in 2023 that "approximately 140,000 men and women die every year from alcohol-related causes." They reported that 13,384 persons died in car accidents due to alcohol-impaired drivers here in the United States. Twenty-eight percent of all motor vehicle traffic fatalities are associated with alcohol-related impaired driving. In addition, they reported that in the United States, there were 100,530 deaths due to liver disease and 47.4 percent of those deaths were caused by the drinking of alcohol. Every year, the drinking of alcohol, wine, vodka, and whiskey brings great pain, sorrow, shame, and literal destruction to thousands of Americans.

WHAT DOES GOD'S WORD SAY ABOUT DRINKING WINE AND STRONG DRINK? 1. In Leviticus 10:8-9, "And the Lord spoke unto Aaron, saying, Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die." Isn't it obvious that God did not

## "How many bad decisions have been made by intoxicated people that led to ruin and destruction?"

want his priests to be intoxicated while fulfilling priestly duties?

2. Numbers 6:3-4 says, "He shall separate himself from wine and strong drink, and shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any liquor of grapes, nor eat moist grapes or dried. All the days of his separation shall..." referring to the Nazarite vow.

3. Judges 13:3-5 says, "And the angel of the LORD appeared unto the woman, and said unto her Behold now, thou art barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceive, and bear a son. Now therefore beware, I pray thee, and drink not wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean thing." The almighty God knew the destructive impact of wine and strong drink on a pregnant woman. The medical term is called fetal alcohol syndrome.

4. In Proverbs 20:1, *"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."* The wisest man to ever live says that if we do this, then we are deceived and not wise.

5. Proverbs 21:17 says, "*He that loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich.*" Many "good" people become addicted to alcohol, and they lose their families and wealth.

6. Proverbs 23:29-30 "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? Who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine." Herein Solomon explains the results of drinking wine.

7. Proverbs 31:4-5 says, "It is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink: Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment...." Drinking causes many bad decisions.

8. Isaiah 28:7 says "But, they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink...." How many bad decisions have been made by intoxicated people that led to ruin and destruction?

9. Daniel 1:8 reads, "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank." The word defile means "to pollute or stain." Drinking wine and alcohol can defile and bring shame to a person.

10. Habakkuk 2:15 says, "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!" This is referring to what is now called date-rape. Many people encourage drinking to facilitate their immoral desires.

11. In Mark 15:23, we read, "And they gave him [Christ] to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received it not." The soldiers thought that it would deaden the pain. Christ refused it.

12. Luke 1:15 reads "For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb." Note: if "the young John" never takes one drink of wine or alcohol, he will never get inebriated.

13. In Luke 21:34, Jesus says to his disciples, "And take heed to yourselves lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness, and cares of this life." Everyone knows that getting "buzzed" or "smashed" can cause much shame, remorse, and regret.

14. Paul wrote in Romans 14:21, "It is good neither to eat flesh, [meat portions associated with heathen idol worship] nor to drink wine [oinos, fermented wine] nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak." Alcohol or wine never blesses a society.

15. I Corinthians 5:11 "But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous or, an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard ...." The apostle Paul says to not even hang around anyone who is immoral, a railer, or a heavy drinker.

16. In I Corinthians 6:9-10 Paul declares, "Know ye not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards ... shall inherit the kingdom of God." This is the Word of God. Paul is very clear.

17. In I Timothy 3:3 and Titus 1:7, the apostle Paul emphasizes that bishops—ministers in leadership—are not to be given to wine (the Greek word for wine here is *paroinos*), which means not being a "tippler." A tippler means, "to drink fermented wine continuously." The safest way to deal with this is to not drink wine at all.

This article will continue in the next issue of The Evangelist.



"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever. Amen." –II PETER 3:18

# Progressing in Christ PARTI

THERE ARE TWO major themes I'd like to address that will help uncover the process of growing in grace and the knowledge of the Lord. These two doctrines are the doctrine of justification and the doctrine of sanctification. Both are established for the believer at the moment of the salvation experience. After the initial experience of being joined to these doctrines, there remains a growth process to be addressed. These benefits are fully ours at salvation, but the ability to adequately walk in and understand how they impact a believer requires time and experience. Therefore, let it be clearly understood that it is the learning curve that the believer undergoes in regard to these truths that is progressive. We do not progressively grow in the status of either status, but we do progress in our understanding of them, our application of them, and our dependence on them. To do so effectively guarantees that we are progressing in Christ. In this first of two articles, we will focus on the benefits of justification and the progress the

believer should make in applying justification to his heart and life.

## **DEFINING JUSTIFICATION**

Justification is the legal status and position applied to the sinner who places his faith in Jesus Christ as Savior. He acknowledges Him as the Son of God who died on Calvary to pay the penalty for his sin. God the Father then declares this new believer "justified." This means that he is completely freed from the penalty of sins committed. Justification is how all sins are forgiven-past, present, and future (Rom. 3:22). The believer is then granted a perfect, complete righteousness. This is the righteous life of Christ, which is imputed into the "spiritual account" of the believer. The righteousness of Christ is a perfect, sinless righteousness. After having received Christ's righteousness, God recognizes the new believer as sinless and perfect (Rom. 4:6). This status allows a holy God to maintain a consistent relationship with the one to whom justification has

been applied, despite his imperfections (Rom. 3:23). Justification can only be achieved by faith in Jesus Christ. Therefore, justification is a status declared by God over the life of the believing sinner that frees him from the penalty of sin, imputes a perfect righteousness toward his account, and can only be achieved by faith in Christ. Faith is the responsibility of the sinner. Justification is supplied by God, based upon the finished work of Christ. When Jesus said, "It is finished," He was declaring that this status of justification was available to everyone who would believe.

## THE CHALLENGE TO JUSTIFICATION

A challenge to the status of justification happens every time any believer fails. It is the default desire of every truly bornagain believer not to fail. No one has ever been able to live in the presence of sin (sin surrounds us and even exists within us) without failure occurring. The biblical pattern that is to follow a failure is described in Scripture. When a

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believer fails and is aware of that failure (through Scripture and/or the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit), he is to bring that failure before God and confess his failure to the Lord (I John 1:9). This frees the believer from the sense of guilt that accompanies the present failure. The believer is to believe and understand that at Calvary Jesus paid for all sin. Both the sins committed prior to salvation and sins thereafter were covered by Christ's sacrifice. The believer's confession not only acknowledges guilt, but it also looks to the finished work of Christ as the means of payment for all sin. The believer can then move forward with God, assured that God will no longer remember the

failure. We must also accept that this process is available to every believer, not just ourselves. Failures, both ours and the sins of others, challenge us to progress in our understanding and experience in justification.

### **PROGRESSING IN JUSTIFICATION**

As a believer, do you understand that when you fail, you do not lose the status of justification? If this were not so, then any character flaw contrary to the nature and character of God would result in the believer's loss of justification. Do you believe that any wrong thought, statement, or deed eliminates a person from right standing with God? Don't you understand that without the status of justification being a reality in the life of all saints, there would be no one found acceptable to have a relationship with God? Justification is not just how we rise above failure. It is the only status through which God can legally and rightfully indwell and commune with those who place their faith in Christ. Do you recognize how necessary this status is? If so, then you are progressing in your knowledge and application of justification. Do you understand that the penalty for all sin has already been paid at Calvary? When we fail, we can come boldly to the throne of grace and ask for mercy and grace to help in our time of need. Jesus paid the price to make justification available to humanity. Not just to one or two but to all. There has never been one individual that will make it to heaven outside of justification being constantly applied to his heart and life. Our righteousness is as "filthy rags." When we see this as truth, and we recognize the need for the status of justification by faith, then we are progressing in the knowledge of justification. Be sure not to withhold from others in the body of Christ what God has granted to you. Can justification by faith be lost? Yes! If faith is lost, then justification can be lost. But it is not lost because of a single event, thought, or action. Are you progressing in the understanding and application of justification?

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## ARTICLE BY John Rosenstern

There are multiple doctrinal errors of what became known as Calvinism. In past articles, I addressed some of Calvin's errors, and this month we'll deal with the "P" in TULIP—Perseverance of the saints, wherein Calvinists teach that Christians must endure to the end to show that they are really saved, which means no person can fully know for sure if he is saved until he dies. (TULIP is an acrostic that summarizes the points of Calvinism: Total depravity, Unconditional election, Limited atonement, Irresistible grace, and Perseverance of the saints.)

# Calvinism: Perseverance of the Saints

HOWEVER, Scripture makes it very clear that believers do know that they have eternal life when they believe: "*These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God*" (I John 5:13).

Contrary to what most people think, John Calvin didn't teach eternal security at all. Calvin insisted that believers must persevere in works if they are to remain in grace. Calvin believed that the elect will persevere in faith and continue in grace to their ultimate final salvation. Eternal security is better understood to mean the preservation of the saints, not the perseverance of the saints. To "persevere" is works salvation. This is a dangerous heresy because it eliminates the free gift of eternal life. There is no delay period or testing period before we receive it. We receive eternal life the very moment that we trust Christ as our personal Savior to forgive our sins.

Romans 5:15 and Romans 6:23 declare that eternal life is a gift from God. Romans 5:15 even calls it a "free gift." Man's works

and efforts have absolutely nothing to do with God's salvation.

John 3:16 is so clear on the matter of salvation, *"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoso-ever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."* If a lost sinner simply believes on Christ, he or she will be saved.

I do not accept the unbiblical heresy by Calvin that we should persevere to the end to be saved. In Calvin's commentary on I John 3:9, he alludes to the word *perseverance* and states clearly, "the hearts of the godly are so effectually governed by the Spirit of God, that through an inflexible disposition they follow his guidance .... the power of the Spirit is so effectual, that it necessarily retains us in continual obedience to righteousness."

His misunderstanding of the sovereignty of God forsakes him from having the correct object of faith and proper obedience to the faith. Instead of a believer obtaining the grace of God through the work of the Holy Spirit, who exclusively works through the finished work of the cross, Calvin sets the course of his adherents to failure by frustrating the grace of God.

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## **UNCONDITIONAL ETERNAL SECURITY**

It is necessary for me to briefly expose this error as well. Many believe that once we are saved we can never be lost again. Although we do have eternal security, it is not unconditional. The "proof" text used by adherents to unconditional eternal security is in John 10:27-29: "*My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.*"

They emphasize the latter part of verse 28, "*neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand*." This verse deals with another person, or even Satan, trying to take one of Christ's. It makes no mention of one backsliding or turning from his faith. True it is that no man can pluck them out of the Father's hand, but it is clear in Scripture that one can walk away.

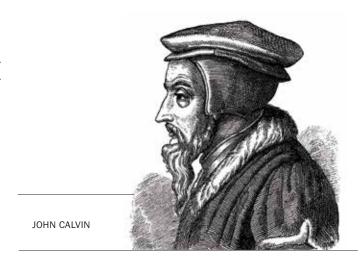
Here are some Scriptures that bear witness to ones who were saved but led astray by doctrinal or moral error into apostasy:

• "And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church .... For I know this, that after my departing grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of you own selves men shall arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them." (Acts 20:17, 29-30)

• "This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies which went before on thee, that thou by them mightest war a good warfare; Holding faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck: Of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme." (I Tim. 1:18-20)

• "But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some." (II Tim. 2:16-18).

• "O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called: Which some professing have erred concerning the faith." (I Tim. 6:20-21)



• "Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness." (II Peter 3:17).

• "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction" (II Peter 2:1).

• "Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son." (II John 1:8-9)

• "But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die. Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal? When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die" (Ezek. 18:24-26).

I will address the origins of Augustinian/Calvinist teachings in future articles. *A* 



## ARTICLE BY Mike Muzzerall

There is an ongoing struggle that every Christian goes through. I'm referring to the struggle to walk worthy of the one who has called us into His kingdom (I Thess. 2:12). Books have been written and sermons have been preached instructing us in the way to glorify God. In reality, there is only one way this could happen, and that is to walk in the Spirit.

# Walk In The Spirit

#### **OUR PREVIOUS WALK**

Prior to placing our faith in the completed work of Calvary, we walked according to the desires of the flesh. The sin nature dominated our thought life as well as our actual walk. Paul gives us a sampling of the fruit produced by a life lived without Christ. He also shows us the end result of walking in the flesh: "Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God" (Gal. 5:19-21). This obviously is not a comprehensive list.

#### A NEW WALK

Praise God that through Christ we can be set free from the dominance of the sin nature. Paul declares that sin shall not have dominion over us (Rom. 6:14). In the Expositor's Study Bible, Brother Swaggart's notes on this verse say, "The sin nature will not have dominion over us if we as believers continue to exercise faith in the cross of Christ; otherwise, the sin nature most definitely will have dominion over the believer."

#### A WALK OF FAITH

Being a Christian is being joined with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection and as such we are to walk in newness of life (Romans 6:4). It is now a walk



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of faith. We are to *"walk by faith and not by sight"* if we are to please our heavenly Father. In Ephesians 5:8, we are told to *"walk as children of light."* The Bible refers to this walk of light as a walk of faith.

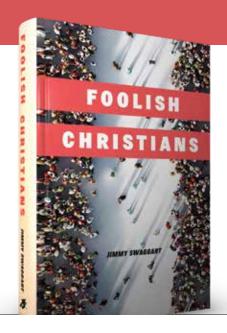
### WALK IN THE SPIRIT

Paul simplifies things for us. "Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh" (Gal. 5:16). This is a present active imperative. We are commanded to actively walk in the Spirit each and every day and, as we do, we will not fulfill the lust of the flesh. By keeping the completed work of Calvary as our focus, we yield to the leading of the Holy Spirit. Failure to do so produces the works of the flesh.

## THE FRUIT OF WALKING IN THE SPIRIT

In contrast to the above works of the flesh, we see the desirable fruit of walking in the Spirit. *"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law"* (Gal 5:22-23). In contrast to the works of the flesh, the Spirit is the one producing this fruit. It is a supernatural fruit produced by the Holy Spirit as we abide in the vine (Christ). The fruit of the Spirit (*ho karpos tou pneumatos*) is singular and not plural. This precious fruit is to be seen as a whole as it grows together in unison. It is not by accident that Paul switches from "works" of the flesh to "fruit" of the Spirit. This emphasizes the revelation that the fruit is not produced through works but is a natural product of walking in the Spirit. So, walk in the Spirit. **#** 

## WHEN IT COMES TO LIVING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE, JUST HOW FOOLISH ARE WE?



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## ARTICLE BY Josh Rosenstern

The book of Judges accounts for several hundred years between the death of Joshua and the introduction of Samuel. While the majority of the book deals with the events surrounding the judges, the last five chapters change focus.

# SIN ON EVERY SIDE

THE HOLY SPIRIT directs our attention to Israel from a national perspective. What of Israel during that time? The following two phrases are notably repeated in response: "In those days there was no king in Israel" and "Every man did that which was right in his own eyes."

In Judges 19 we read of a Levite who married a concubine only to have her act unfaithfully and depart. The Levite pursues his wife, and he finds that she has returned to her father's house. Upon visiting the father's house, the Levite finds a hospitable environment, and they remain there four nights eating and drinking. Even on the fifth day, they traded a safe, early departure for more hours of eating, drinking, and making hearts merry. As night drew near, the decision was made to lodge in Gibeah as opposed to the city of the Jebusites. Sadly, the wickedness in Gibeah amongst his brethren of the tribe of Benjamin was far worse than what the Levite would have found in the heathen Gentile city of Jebus.

The Scripture tells us that vile, worthless sons of Belial came to where the Levite was staying, and they demanded to commit acts of sodomy. In an attempt to appease the evil passions of these men, the daughter of the host was offered. No, this would not satisfy their sinful hearts, so the Levite's concubine was delivered into their wicked hands. She was raped, assaulted, beaten, and abused. As the morning light appeared, the concubine's lifeless body lay strewn across the threshold. The Levite would return home in sadness and mourning as he carried the corpse of his wife. Why did this happen? Because the wages of sin is death.

The utter depths of moral depravity would convict the Levite to such a degree that he would now take action. He sent every tribe in Israel a divided piece of her body, twelve in total. This was gruesome, but necessary. Israel would come together against the Benjamites only to suffer defeat on two occasions, losing forty thousand men in battle. At last Israel repented before the Lord, offering up burnt offerings and peace offerings. Then the word of the Lord came through Phinehas saying, "Go up; for tomorrow I will deliver them into thine hand."

The spiritual and moral principles in this account are both astounding and presently applicable. In every instance of these happenings, we see sin on every side. From the Levite taking another wife, to the actions of the concubine, there was sin. With the lasting libations at the father's house, and the abominable passions of the sodomite sons of Belial, there was sin. And the sin of pride is evidenced by the armies of Israel coming together to fight this evil, but doing so in their own wisdom and might, which resulted in defeat. Whatever is done outside of faith is done in sin.

If I were to describe a city filled with idols, homosexuality, fornication, murder, hate, and utter disregard for fellow man, then you would think I was describing a heathen city such as Jebus. But that

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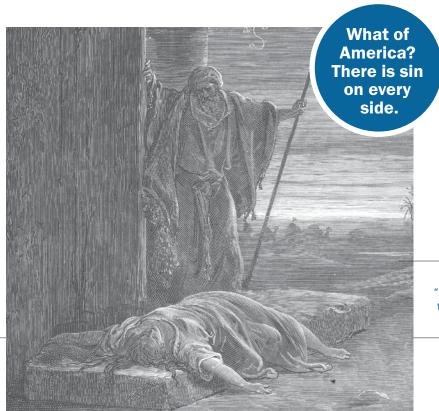
too was the description of Gibeah—a city full of God's people. The fact of them being a part of Israel did not keep them from sin.

The sins of heathen Jebus were obvious, but what about the iniquity of the Benjamites in Gibeah? Today, we can look at the debauchery and immorality in other nations of the world, but what of America?

Our society has cheapened and virtually demolished the institution of marriage between one man and one woman. We have allowed Hollywood and social media to entertain our minds perpetually. The booze and pill bottles are opened more than Bibles. Homosexuality, transgenderism, and every aspect of the LGBT+ community permeates

children's books in libraries and schools. while corporations have gone woke pushing the agendas. Demonic hate-filled racism is cloaked by terms like diversity, equity, and inclusion. We reward laziness and entitled egos, all the while punishing hard work and stealing success. Teenagers and young people by the thousands attempt suicide every year, while scores of young ladies painfully cut into their bodies just to feel something besides a dull heartache. Millions of Americans battle anxiety and depression, learning to cope by depending on a psychologist. And let us not forget about the millions of babies that are murdered in the womb. What of America? There is sin on every side.

Spiritually speaking, every day in America we are thrusting our children



and families into streets littered with the sons of Belial. The result is an abused, beaten, exploited, and raped generation. This generation is now laying at our doorstep. It took something so terrible and awful as the severed member of a concubine to jar Israel from resting in her idols, self-pleasure, apathy, and pride. Has it taken the same thing for America?

God has called His church to stand up as a beacon of light in these dark times. To come against these evils through political means alone will result in defeat. If we try to use humanistic psychology, education, money, or any other of our own means, then failure is inevitable. How do we come against the wickedness? The only answer for sin is Jesus Christ and Him crucified! It was at the cross that sin and the powers of darkness were defeated! Only the power of God is greater than the evil in this world. If you and I will look to the sacrifice, just as Israel did, then I believe we will see the tide of darkness held back for a season. Society is not getting better. Even after the vengeance over the sons of Belial's evil deeds. Israel continued further into wickedness and idolatry.

We have the opportunity to say to America that although there is sin on every side, salvation is at hand. Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

"...the concubine's lifeless body lay strewn across the threshold."



## FROM ME TO YOU | Jimmy Swaggart

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY, FRANCES...

I THANK THE LORD constantly that He chose the wife for this evangelist, and that I did not choose on my own. Outside of my salvation, His giving Frances to me was the greatest thing that ever happened to me. She was a little Methodist girl when I first met her. My sister had told me, "There's a new girl that just joined the choir." I ignored her and acted like I didn't want to hear any more about it. But that next Sunday, I was all eyes. And I found her. Nobody told me it was her, but I just knew it. Frances was the prettiest one up there. And, what the Lord has helped us to see around the world in ministry, as far as human beings are concerned, I give the praise to Frances. Sweetheart, your faith amazes me still, and I'm thankful, always, for you. Happy birthday!



## "SWEETHEART, YOUR FAITH AMAZES ME STILL..."

# "Victory is yours, but it is yours only by means of Jesus Christ and what He did for you at the cross."

#### **ALL THAT WERE OPPRESSED**

The Bible tells us how that Jesus traveled the length and breadth of Judea, preaching and stating, "How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him" (Acts 10:38).

### THE WORD OF THE LORD

Some months back, several hours before daylight, the Spirit of the Lord began to move on me about this very subject of oppression.

He related to me, which I think is obvious, that multiple millions of Christians are suffering oppression, be it physical, financial, spiritual, and otherwise. The Lord went on to relate to me in that early morning hour, that if believers would do the following, which is to place their faith exclusively in Christ and what Christ did for us at the cross—and do it continuously—that this oppression would cease.

Oppression is a terrible thing—it saps one's spiritual life and knows no victory. But that should not be; it definitely should not be. And it will not be if you, as a believer, would do what I am about to say.

### VICTORY

As a believer, how does one place his or her faith exclusively in Christ and what Christ has done for us at the cross? In reality, it's a simple thing; it's not hard at all. And it will bring forth tremendous blessings—blessings of unprecedented proportions. And, above all, the oppression of the powers of darkness

will cease, and this is what you, as a believer, should enjoy, and I mean victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil.

The following is what I practice day and night and have for several months now, and I do not plan ever to stop or to cease.

I literally state in my heart and mind as I begin to pray, and sometimes just as I am going about my day.

### **PERSONAL PRAYER**

"Lord my faith is in You and what you did for us at the cross. It is not in me or anyone else but solely in You and the great work done at Calvary. Likewise, it is not in the church as much as I love the church, but it's in none of its activities or personal accoutrements."

## ENTIRELY IN CHRIST AND THE CROSS

The cross of Christ is the object of my faith and nothing else. And I personally feel that the Holy Spirit desires that we give the Lord the praise and the glory for that which He did at Calvary's cross.

Oppression is a terrible thing. It robs

one of peace, of joy, of prosperity, and personal physical strength. It doesn't have to be if you, as a believer, will do what I am saying, and do it every day, even several times a day. It's very short,

but it will place you in the position of your faith and trust

"The cross of Christ is the object of my faith..." tion of your faith and trust being exclusively in Christ and what He did for you at the cross. To be sure, Satan cannot stand that. That's the key to all victory. That's the key to us finding what we are looking for.

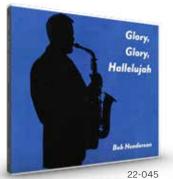
Victory is yours, but it is yours only by means of Jesus Christ and what He did for you at the cross. He defeated every power of darkness, every oppressing spirit—all were defeated at the cross. We just have to recognize that and make certain that our mind and heart is in that capacity.

Put to work what I've told you to do, and watch the Lord begin to work on your behalf.

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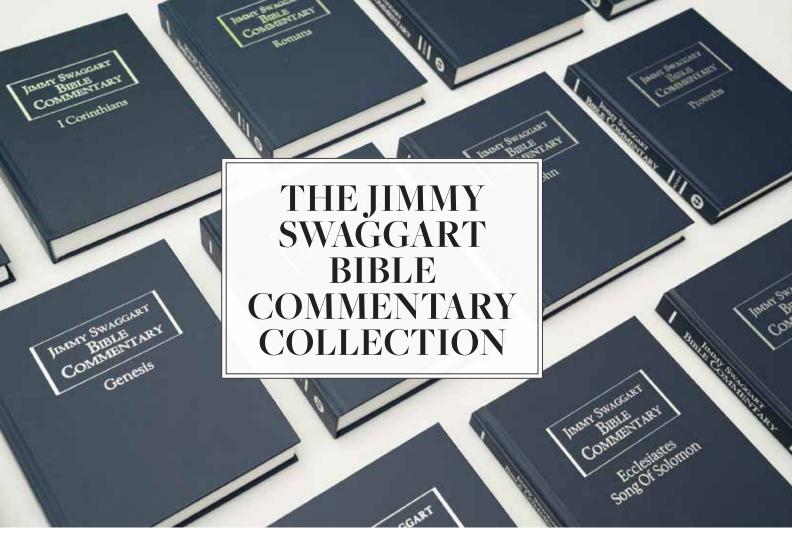
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# MEETINGS



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#### AUGUST 4-6, 2023 Petal, MS

Pastor Eric Richard Petal Spiritual Life Center 708 East Central Ave., Petal, MS 39465 228.990.3115 ce31@yahoo.com FRI 6:30 PM SAT 6:30 PM

SUN 10:30 AM

## **AUGUST 27, 2023**

Haughton, LA Pastor Jeff Gravis Central Assembly of God 700 Hwy. 80, Haughton, LA 71037 318.949.0010 centralhaughton.com SUN 10:30 AM

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**Richmond, VA** Pastor Angelo & Kimara Parker Faith Family Worship Center 2420 Webber Ave., Richmond, VA 23224 804.291.3586 ffwc.rva@gmail.com FRI 7 PM SAT 7 PM SUN 11 AM

### **SEPTEMBER 26, 2023**

Independence, KY Pastor Tommy Bates **Community Family Church** 11875 Taylor Mill Rd., Independence, KY 41051 859.356.8851 www.cfcky.com TUES 7 PM

#### **NOVEMBER 10-12, 2023** Grand Island, NY

Pastor Mike Chorev CrossRiver Tabernacle 2920 Grand Island Blvd. Grand Island, NY 14072 716.229.8000 Email: info@crossrvr.org FRI 7 PM SAT 6 PM **SUN** 10 AM



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Bowling Green/Findlay, OH Pastor Willie Miller Faith, Hope, Love Christian Church 419.260.1288 livingthecrosslife.org 1st Location and Service Times Weinbrenner Conference Center 950 N. Main St., Findlay, OH 45840 FRI 7 PM

SAT 7 PM 2nd Location and Service Times 404 N. Dunbridge Road, Bowling Green, OH 43402 **SUN** 10 AM

#### AUGUST 12-14, 2023 Portia, AR

Pastor Steve Alexander Faith Worship Center 3105 Hwy. 63, Portia, AR 72457 870.869.1134 FRI 7 PM SAT 10 to 12 PM (Teaching) & 7 PM **SUN** 10 AM



## **JOHN & JOSH** ROSENSTERN

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## AUGUST 25-27, 2023

Grenada, MS Pastor Farrell Wilson Lighthouse Church 1004 Hwy. 7 North, Grenada, MS 662.294.0608 FRI 7 PM SAT 10 AM (Teaching) & 7 PM

**SUN** 11 AM

## **MIKE MUZZERALL**

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## AUGUST 4-6, 2023

Leming, TX Pastor Phillip Vaughn Christ The Rock Church 8986 US Hwy. 281, Leming, TX 78050

FRI 6 PM (Adult Service) **SAT** 10 AM TO 3 PM

(Super Saturday-Children's Crusade Sermon followed by food, fun, and fellowship)

SUN 10:30 AM (Adult Service) For more information contact Pastor Phillip Vaughn at 210.279.1930.

## **SEPTEMBER 1-3, 2023**

Collinsville, MS Free N'Deed Ministries 8107 Allen Road, Collinsville, MS 39325 FRI 6:30 PM (Prayer & Dinner) SAT 11 AM & 3 PM (Super Saturday-Children's Crusade)

SUN 10:30 AM (Adult Service)

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Desha, AR

Pastors Chris and Vonda Martin Living Waters Ministries 2425 Heber Springs Road, Desha, AR 72527 (Old Desha High School Campus) 807.254.9137 Old Fashioned Tent Revival on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday SAT 7 PM

SUN 10:45 AM

## **SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2023**

Harpers Ferry, WV Pastor Eric Harding **Bolivar Pentecostal Church** 87 Old Taylor Lane, Harpers Ferry, WV 25425 304.582.3278 SAT 10 AM TO 3 PM (Super Saturday-Children's Crusade)

SUN 11 AM

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#### SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2023

Denver, NC Pastors Jason and Summer Collins Lakeside Church 6636 Pine Ridge Dr., Denver, NC 28037 704.675.2040 SAT 6 PM SUN 11 AM

## **OCTOBER 7-8, 2023**

Sanford, NC Pastor Ronnie Whitaker Jr. Rise Assembly 100 Upchurch Farm Rd., Sanford, NC 27332 919.895.3854 SAT 6 PM SUN 10:30 AM

#### **NOVEMBER 4-5, 2023**

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