

L5: The Gospels: Gospels & Justification by Faith Pt. 4

Read Hebrews 4:1-11

Pray

Summary Points:

- Different gospels, but only one provision for justification unto eternal life and only one desired response from man, that is, faith alone.

Lesson Points:

- **Seemingly Contradictory Passages**
- **The Gospel of the Kingdom**

Seemingly Contradictory Passages

- Hebrews 12:14-17
 - Matthew 5:8
- Revelation 3:5
 - Matthew 10:32-33
- Ezekiel 18:1-32
 - God is not just to bring the 5th CoP
 - It is because of their fathers
 - Exodus 34
 - Leviticus 26:39-40
 - Daniel 9

The Gospel of the Kingdom

- "the gospel" - God's good news
- "of the kingdom" - king's dominion
 - God's good news of His King's dominion
 - God's good news of His kingdom
- First time "kingdom" is used in the Bible
 - Genesis 10:10
- First time the concept of "kingdom" is brought up
 - Kingdom - The territory or country subject to a king; an undivided territory under the dominion of a king or monarch
 - Genesis 1:1-25 - God's earth (territory)
 - Genesis 1:26-31 - God's monarch
- Genesis 12:1-3
 - "great nation" - "great kingdom" (Genesis 10:10)

- "all families of the earth be blessed"
- :14-18 - given the land
- The gospel of the kingdom, therefore, has its' origins in regards to God's plan for the earth; that is, for man share dominion with God.
- This promise was later given to Abraham; that is, that his seed would be the ones whom God uses to vest His kingdom with.
- The gospel of the kingdom describes a kingdom which is a dominion over a territory, a territory that God has Abraham walk through and its influence, through Abraham's offspring, would cover all the earth.
- Hebrews 4
 - Heb. 4:1-2
 - "Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into His rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. **For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them:** but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it."
 - Us = the true Israel of God that came from the Lord's earthly ministry
 - Romans 15:8-12
 - Them = God's nation of Israel coming out of Egypt
 - Before they are in the promised land
 - Heb. 4:3
 - "although the works were finished from the foundation of the world"
 - Matthew 25:34
 - Heb. 4:4
 - "certain place" = Genesis 2:2
 - :5 = :3 - "...if they shall enter into my rest"
 - Heb. 7:7
 - Psalm 95:7-11
- One of the other misconceptions about "gospels" is that it only provides the information in which one believes to be justified unto eternal life; however, such an understanding limits the complete package in which the given gospel contains.
 - Therefore, the gospel of the kingdom, not only deals with God's kingdom on this earth, its territory, and earthly influence, but much more.
 - Kingdom
 - Territory
 - King & Authority
 - Citizens
 - Earthly Influence (Blessing to all families of the earth)
 - Duration (Arrival & End)
 - Forever (Eternal Life)
 - Righteousness

- Kingdom Ways