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**[00:00:00] Pastor West**

Good morning and welcome to Grace Life Church and those of you who join us online. Let me read you a verse coming out of a song we just was doing Praise and Worship. There's a verse in First Peter. Chapter one in verse 19 says, But with the precious blood of Christ as of a lamb without blemish and without spot, who Verily was for ordained. Now listen to this. Who Verily was for ordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in the last times for you. Who by him do believe in God that raised him up from the dead and gave him glory? That's your faith and hope might be in God. Seeing you, you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the spirit unto unfeigned love. And the brethren see that you love one another with a pure heart. Now listen here. Being born again not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible by the Word of God, which lives and abides forever. It says for all flesh. All people. All natural human life is as grass, and the glory of man is the flower of grass. The grass will wither and the flower there will falleth away. But the word of the Lord will endure forever. And this is the word by which the gospel is preached unto you. So he said that you're not born again of a. Natural seed, but of incorruptible seed which lives and abides forever. It won't be like grass without flour.

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It's here today. Gone tomorrow. By the Word of God. Huh? You've been born again. It said here in the Scriptures that Jesus or I think it's Revelation 13 won't go there, but Jesus himself. Was the lamb that was slain before the foundation of the world. Before. Why was he the lamb slain before the foundation of the world? God saw your need before you was ever here. Amen. And God provided for your need before you ever came to this planet. Even before you was born as an infant child. Jesus, in the. In the heart and the minds of God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit said Jesus was the lamb that was slain before. Let there be light. Now, what is he the sacrifice for? For the redemption of mankind that would fall. Adam, hadn't he been created and Jesus had already been provided as the lamb slain before the foundation? There wasn't even Adam. There wasn't a Garden of Eden. There wasn't even a tree. There wasn't a piece of fruit. The serpent wasn't in the garden with Adam and Eve in the heart and the mind of God. God provided the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son who gave his life. He was the He was as the lamb slain before you and I, before the world ever took day one. Amen. Well, he's also the lamb slain for your healing. So before you ever came here, before you ever knew you would need healing.

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The lamb was already slain. That you would already be healed by his stripes. Amen. I'm glad y'all are so excited about all that. Y'all try to hold it down some, if you will. It's hard to think. Praise God. Well, it's a beautiful day. August the 13th, 2023. There'll never be another August the 13th, 2023. So get everything you can out of it. There's more juice in the seed. Amen. Put the squeeze on it. Sometimes you think you. You've read something and you know something in the scripture and you think, Well, I see that. I know that. Well, you just know something about it. You don't know everything about it. I don't care if it's the word those. It depends on what those is connected to. You know, the Bible says use the word a lot of times. Therefore, Brother Hagan always used to say, when you hit the when you see the word, therefore you better look see what it's there for. Amen. Right. Because there's more in there. Hallelujah. How many know if you didn't know this, did you know that if you actually hear the gospel preached, it's actually a scandal. And did you know the world loves a good scandal? Oh, the world does. I didn't say the church ain't supposed to, but. But the world loves a good scandal. If you don't believe so, just go to the checkout stand. Look at all the magazines, look at the Enquirer, and there's being with 14 heads over here and this one over there.

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And and, you know, and people who are supposedly well known, you know, and and Hollywood and who they're with and who they're not with and who's together and who's breaking up and who all the all these scandals. But the Bible calls the gospel the scandal. It calls Jesus, you know, said he was the he called Jesus the stumbling block. In other words, God's going to get your attention. One way or another. If you go to if you decide to go to hell, you can go to hell. That's because he gave you a choice. But you're going to have to trip over the stumbling block everywhere you go to get there. He's going to put something in your path every day of your life to try to get you to pay attention. If he has to cause you to stumble, to fall to the ground and say what is happening, if you just say what is happening? I mean, if you give Jesus so much as a nod, you're going in a good direction. So the scandal goes something like this, although your sin was so great, although it was completely impossible, all because you was born into this life in sin with in a sin nature. The scandal is that Jesus, whose love was so much greater than your sin, provided for himself, a sacrifice for you. You know, sometimes you're really good scandal like that with the word called a good scandal, it almost make you blush.

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When you read when you read the when you read the pages of this Bible here and you realize what Jesus did for you because of the love of God, it ought to make you blush. Amen. Huh? Y'all okay? Y'all check to see if you got a breath. Hallelujah. I say glory to God. Amen. Amen. Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Jesus. Amen. So be it. Okay. I'll just check on you every now and then. Praise God. So here we go. If you will go to Romans chapter five. I mean, now that you have the mind of Christ. Amen. Amen. We're going to talk a little bit about that and different things. You know, Hebrews won't go there. And Paul has told the church there, he said, by this time you ought to be a teacher. He said, But you're not a teacher. He said, you're still spiritual babes. He said, You're still He said, you're still sucking on the bottle. When he says by this time he said, you ought to be skillful and you ought to be skillful in righteousness. And Isaiah tells us that we need to be established in righteousness. You know, there's a difference between knowing something about it. And can do. There's people who you know. There's professions that some people that is their livelihood, that's how they make their living. There's other people who just do their own work on weekends.

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But when the need arises and maybe it's okay for what they're going to do. Maybe for some mechanic and they call him, what, a shade tree mechanic or, you know, whatever. A lot of people think that they can paint. You know, some of them are pretty good painters, but it doesn't mean that they can make a living somewhere with it, but they might satisfy themselves if they're satisfying their self. It's okay. I used to know a pastor who painted his own cars and he's painting them all the time. He's proud of it. He come to church one time years ago, and he said, Come here and see my I forgot it was a little convertible. And he says, Man, let's get this thing painted. I said, Who painted it? He said, I did. I said, What'd you use? He said, A roller brush. I said, Oh my God, it didn't look that bad for about two weeks. And he thought he said, Well, we'll let the paint get on it real good and let it settle. Then he went to the car wash one day and the car went through the car wash, but the paint didn't. Car come on through paint state he thought, you know, it cured. Well, not so much. He said maybe he used to tell me, he said, I think I used the wrong kind of pain. I said, No, I think you used the wrong painter. But, you know, he couldn't imagine spending over \$3,400 to do that.

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So he he never did get a successful paint job, but he's always bragging about how much he saved. Well, you know, God, God spared no expense. He sent his best. So in Romans chapter five and actually, I want to say this. If if you want to understand about the New Covenant, if you want to understand about who you are, if you want to understand and you have to understand your identity. Paul by by unktion of the Holy Ghost penned these words in the book of Romans. Romans actually absolutely is a is a masterpiece. It's some of the greatest teaching in learning to help you to understand and of who you was before and who you are now. And then you see the transfer. See people. A lot of times they misunderstand because they read Matthew, Mark, Luke and John and you'll see statements that in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John that you can't find in the New Testament. You can't, in other words, you can't find in the Epistles. And that's because when Jesus came, he was born of a, you know, a natural woman had to be you can't be the seed unless you come as a seed. But he didn't come with a seed of man. He came with a seed of God. So he was all God. He was all man. But he had to come as man. Right. He had to strip himself. He had to strip his life.

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He had to strip who he was. He had to strip himself of deity and become a human being. He had to become a man. And so when he came, he came. He came during the old covenant. Jesus came as the Old Testament prophet. So things that even Jesus said in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John are recorded that he said does not really belong in the new man. Amen. Because Jesus came under the law and ministered to those who was in the law and by the law. So if you take statements and lift them out of what Jesus said and you try to put them in the new Covenant, they won't mesh. And I could give you several. But that's not our lesson today. You'll see glimpses of what Jesus was going to do, mostly in the Book of John that would reflect what would be true now today in the New Covenant. More John than any other of the writers. But when you get over into the masterpiece of of the Epistles and when you get into the book of Romans, you you have to study Romans mostly Chapter four, five, six, seven and eight. Because remember, this is a letter, not a it's not a book. It's not a sermon. It's not chapters. Paul didn't write chapter and verse. Paul wrote a letter. Man divided this for purpose of study. So when when when they got this letter, it didn't say chapter three, verse 21.

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You know this when you go back and read the you go back and see how Paul addressed them and you'd have to go to Romans chapter one. And he you know, he identifies himself. He says, Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated into the gospel of God, which he had promised a for by his prophets in the Holy Scriptures concerning his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, which is made of the seed of David according to the flesh. And a lot of times he'll start a letter this way, but he'll also address them in the Epistles. You know, and he'll say, you know, grace, peace and comfort be unto you and like this. And he goes on with his letter. But you have to understand, especially Romans four and even closer to that Romans Five to Romans eight. And if you read them, if you get you'll get a wrong interpretation if you read them separately. They have to be understood together. There's there's some things that you it's like a recipe. If it has 12 ingredients, you may understand four of them really well, but. But you'll never get where you're supposed to go with four ingredients when it calls for toil. And and I don't really want to rush through this. So, I mean, we don't if Jesus comes, we'll talk about it in heaven if we want to, but we don't have to do it all today.

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So we won't even attempt to do it all day. But you let me just set the foundation because the next week the Wilsons will be here and then we'll pick up back after that. And so we're going to be part of doing that and going to bless them next week. Their biggest they've already done so much, but they're probably their biggest experience is the one ahead of them. And so they've I know just in this last few mission trips they've been in, they've already seen 40,000 people saved. Amen. There's 40,000 people in Chilton County. How would you like to know? Like if you want to go out and preach, you said we'll save all Chilton County in a week, everyone. I'm just using accounting. Would you support someone who would save a whole county? I mean, so we want to we want to be supportive of that. So. So these are together and they don't want to be we don't want to isolate them. So there's a there's a foundation to these things. There's a flow to it. There's there's a sequence to it. And we want to set the foundation. Now, we talked about this actually, according to my my estimation, and I have to go in and change things that because you see more as you go further. We talked about these things in 2017. Some of you was here and some of you wasn't. So in Romans chapter five, we're going to talk about verse five, and we'll go back to four later on.

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5 to 8 is talking about the subject matter is talking about two states of being. Fivethirtyeight is talking about two states of being. It's talking about two positions that we're in. Romans five through eight is addressing two groups of people. Say that again. Two states of being. Two positions. Two groups of people. And here's the two groups of people. It's either talking about the first item. Or the last atom? Not second atom. Because if you have a second, you might have a third or fourth. So the scripture uses that terminology. It says the first atom, and then it says the last atom. Now we know who Atom is, right? And I think I think the ones of you here, those who are listening, are in another time, another way. If you don't know, the last atom is Jesus Christ himself. Adam was the first son on the earth. Jesus came and finished what Adam blew up. And so in other words, you'll see that through Adam's transgression. He sold us. He sold out mankind because he was the you could say he would be the federal head for all humanity. Adam would be. And Adam, when he entered into sin, the whole sin died because of Adam's transgression. But then God sent Jesus, who was the lamb slain before the foundation of the world. So the first Adam got you in a world of mess. And the last Adam got you out of it.

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Amen. Amen. Now, I know you know that, but there's going to be some things in this next 4 or 5 weeks you may not know it's going to be so good or it's going to be so breathtaking. You might go, oh, my gosh, that could that really be true? Amen. Amen. Now, if we run through it, you won't get it. But if you get this, it'll change your life forever. But people won't like you as much. Some people will love you. The the center will love you. If you get this message. The religious people throw stones at you. The religious people is the one who killed Jesus. The centers loved him. Hallelujah. Right? Yeah. And if I veer away from the scripture, you let me know. I mean, I'm just as human as anybody, so I'm up to human error as much as anybody does. But but I'm not going to say things that I can't find and substantiate in Scripture with at least 2 or 3 witnesses that would be established. So if you come to me, make sure you're established. I'm open to have you know, I'm open to have a conversation, but make sure that you understand your point very well and make sure that you find context in the New Covenant, because you can go into the Old Covenant. And I grew up in those kinds of churches in that church when I was a kid, it said, You're your righteousness is as filthy rags.

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What does it say that in the Bible? Was it true? Absolutely it's true. Is it true today? No, it's not true today. Now there's some micro religious person, real man. Since I'm since I'm out there, since y'all pulled me out there, I'm a squeeze. Y'all driving the boat. So. So just don't go too fast with me. David prayed things that was absolutely correct for his day. He said, Lord, please don't. Don't take your Holy Spirit from me, He said, and create in me a clean heart. You say, Well, what's wrong with that? Everything. There was nothing wrong with it during his covenant. And your covenant just. It's obsolete. Why would David pray? Lord, don't take your Holy Spirit from me. Because he seemed. And he he didn't want to lose. He didn't want to lose the anointing of God. He didn't want to lose the presence of God. And then then because he was seeing he said, Lord created me a clean heart. You've got to be superior because I'm running out of time already. God thinks he already has. So we're going to talk about position and condition. And so you'll have to check in with your position to see what condition you're in. If you check in with your condition in your mind, you'll think you lost your position. I'm going to slow. Make sure I don't mess that up. We are we're going to talk about a position and a condition.

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And your condition can change based on natural circumstances or when you make mistakes. Because when you make mistakes, you feel like the conditions changed and then you think you lost your position. And in all accounts, you should have. But God. But God. Thank you, Lord. So even when you won't feel righteous one day, you're just as righteous as Jesus. When you don't. When you don't feel like you are. The Bible says you have the mind of Christ. He didn't say you have one close to it, but it says, you know all things. It didn't say, you know, a lot of things. In your spirit, not in your soul, not in your body, but in your born again spirit. You know everything that God knows. Thank you, Elliot. Hey. In your spirit, in your born again spirit, which you got from God. Is your spirit. God's spirit? Well, how would you not know all things in your spirit? Amen. You say? Well, that can't be true. I was looking for my keys the other day, and they was in my right hand the whole time I was looking for them. I know. I get that. That's in your soul. Yeah. You know, you don't want to always tell those things to everybody before you ever look for you. You ever be looking for your glasses and you found them right there? And so in the so in the old covenant, you have people that that that they were prescribed to go certain ways and they were to go that way.

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But that's not this day. Amen. A new day is here. A new time has come. Amen. The scripture says that which is old has now vanished away. Except there was somebody, some preacher. He pulls them back from the dead and preaches it all over again. I think this book was written a long time ago. And it says it says it says the Old Covenant. In other words, it said the Ten Commandments is vanished away, but not every week they pull right back. You know, someone does the gets the defibrillators out and boom, it brings it brings the ten back. See you. We only have one commandment in John 1334, Jesus said a new commandment, I give unto you. What was the new commandment? That you love one another as I loved you. Now he says, So you love people the way I love you. Now, if you obey that, do you need Ten Commandments? I mean, if I love you the way Jesus loved me and gave his life for me. Do I need to tell you? Don't steal, don't kill, don't murder, don't covet. Don't know. So the Big Ten got all encompassed in the big one. Hallelujah. Amen. So Jesus came to fulfill the law. Now the law is good. It's holy, it's righteousness perfect. There's nothing wrong with it. It's morally wonderful. Over and over and over again.

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It tells you the purpose of the law was to bring man to the end of himself because man thought maybe he could do it. Man thought maybe he could keep it. God says no. They said, Well, just tell us what you expect of us. You know, we want to know what you expect. You don't have to be good to us because you're good. Just tell us what you expect and we can do it. He said, okay, here it comes. So the law came with the ten and then God gave him 613 more commandments to go with the ten. So he gave him 623. The 613 are what we call the ceremonial commandments. And so there's a lot of rituals and there's a lot of things. There's you know, you've heard me talk about some of them. We make fun of 1 or 2 of them. It's not fun. It's just but it was they all had a purpose. In other words, you can't eat this. You can't work this day. You can't beat this, you know, on the Sabbath, you couldn't do any kind of work. You couldn't even you couldn't even build a fire for your family and cook. But if you want to get down right down to them and one of them, you can have a bowel movement on seven, which means you need to really watch what you eat for two days before then. Huh? You know, But people want to live two laws at one time.

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But you're not doing it. The Bible says no man's ever kept the law. You're going to be the first one. You're going to be the first one. What if you don't keep all of it? Well, James said. James said you ought to go for the grace through Jesus Christ. You ought to let him be the payment for your sin. James said. But you don't have to. You know, you can keep the law if you want to. He said, But, but. But if you miss just one point, he says, you're guilty of all of it. Well, you know, I didn't I didn't graduate top of my class, but I went at the bottom either. And I thought, well, see, I could just receive Jesus for the payment of my sins or I could. Or I could just be the payment. No, but James said, if you still have that choice to do that, if you think you can keep the law, then. But you've got to keep all of it or you're guilty of everything. But he said, Well, you know, I know people make mistakes, but but, you know, we we're we should keep the law. Well, how many of it they said, well, you should try to keep all of us, but what if you don't? Well, I mean, you need to not do the big stuff, so it's okay to do the little stuff. I mean, they said, well, I mean, I wouldn't go that far and say I said, Well, how far would you go? Say what you believe? In other words, James said, if you don't keep every law, you're guilty of every law.

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In other words, you could be 99% righteous and morally. But if you steal a pencil, you're a homosexual. It didn't take me long to get to my point. I just, you know, I'm trying to let you get the full weight of it. Have I said anything on scripture yet? So James said, if you don't keep every law, then you're then you're you're guilty of the other one. So so you need to become fascinated with who you are in the spirit. Are y'all listening to me? You ought to be fascinated with who God made you in the Spirit, because in the Spirit you're just like him. I say you're not kind of like him. You don't have part of what he has. You have all what he has. Now people say, Well, that ain't true because, you know, like, I lost my keys, I lost my this, I lost my glasses. You know, they was they was hanging on my shirt. Well, that's your mind. So, so so when we come into the heavenly, things come into heaven. Your mind, which is the natural mind, will be brought into submission to that, which is true in the Spirit. But in your spirit, you know all things in the spirit.

**[00:25:39] Pastor West**

You're awesome. Yes. Amen. Hallelujah. You would like you a whole lot better if you just find out who you were. That's right. Huh? Amen. Amen. And so we still have people who want to go through a system of of, you know, having someone to pray for them and they come tell their sins to them, you know, once a week or whenever they come and they sit in the booth and the one sits in the booth and they tell them everything. And I said, Well, that's that's scriptural. That was scriptural under the old covenant. It's not scriptural under the New Covenant. You say, Well, but, but, but it was there was a priest. Yeah. In the old Covenant. But Jesus has become your high priest. Jesus is your high priest. So you don't go to a man. You go to the man. And the man already came to you before you got to him. Amen. So when you go to a man, all you do is go to some guy who turns his collar around backwards and he's got a white shiny. He just turns around backwards. And you got this collar here, and then you just tell him all about you, huh? Well, he's not the Christ. Well, if he's not the Christ and he's acting like one, he must be the. Oh, the Antichrist. In my soul. I'm sorry. Jesus didn't have to turn his collar around. He gave his back. Amen. So you would be highly impressed if you just found out who you were in the spirit.

**[00:27:00] Pastor West**

Amen. And as a side note, I wish we had a whole seminar on this. And we could one day, especially when we start doing church every day for every day. Amen. Different people will be ministering. There's things that you say, Well, I don't know all the things you don't know, all things in your natural mind. But your spirit knows everything. Everything. Everything about your life, everything about your family. Everything about your future. Everything that's about to come. All the things that you're worried about. You have no reason to worry whatsoever because all the answers is in your spirit. Because you are. You are a spirit of your spirit. You've been born again of his spirit. You have his nature. You have his likeness, and you are called to function like him and the reason why. But when you don't know who you are in Christ, that means you don't understand your identity. So you don't function like him, even though you're called to function like him. Therefore, because you don't function like him in the image and likeness which you created, you don't function that way. That means you malfunction. Amen. But you don't have to malfunction when you got the function. And in first John, chapter two, verse 20 says you have a unction from the holy one. In other words, you have a special anointing from the holy one in which, you know, all things didn't say some things.

**[00:28:08] Pastor West**

You don't say most things a thing here and there says in your spirit, you know, all things, all things. And you have no man teach you anything. Mm. Amen. That makes most ministers mad. But most people do, because most people don't read or they act like they can't read. I guess they got a reading disorder. I was like, Well, what's the matter? Well, I get sleepy when I read. Well, sleepy people are lazy people who just get defeated. You could read, right? You can read a stop sign, can't you? If not, they're going to pull your license. Right. You could read a Cracker Jack box. See what you want. Well, so. So. So here we are. We don't go to a man to tell him our sins because we are. We already have the high priest. This is the New Covenant based on better promises. So here we're talking about Romans. We're talking about two positions, two individuals to two men. So that's what really verse mostly chapters five through eight, distinguish two positions, two state of beings, two groups of people, those who are in first. Adam Those who is in last. Adam. So either you're either in the first Adam or you're in the last. You say, Well, I'm kind of in between. No, you're not. No, we're going to kill the in between. You're either in Adam or you're in the last Adam. You're either in. You're either in Adam or you're in Christ.

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You say, Well, I'm in church. No, you're either in Adam or you're in the last Adam. And where will you be when you get to Jim and Nick's? Well, I'm Jim and Nick's. No, you're still going to be Jim, and Nick's in. In Adam. Or you're going to be in the last time. Everywhere you go, you're going to be in one of these atoms. Now, you do know I would have a scripture for that, don't you, sir? First Corinthians 15, if you can put this up. We're going to go to the Amplified. I don't know if it's the amplified or the classic amplified. Probably the classic, but I'm not sure. First Corinthians 15:45 through 49. I want you to see this in the amplified so it'll be on the screen just a moment, but I'm going to start reading til I get there. It says thus it is written the first man. No, I think I'll wait. I want you to get this. Praise the Lord. Y'all doing all right? Amen. Amen. We only got 30 minutes. We got to go. Y'all may have a date over at Subway? I don't know. Subway slices their meat. Now, what's said on TV? First Corinthians 15, y'all. Are we there? 45 to 49. Amplified. You should have already gotten me Scriptures. I'm sorry. All right, here we go. Thus it is written. Yep. The first man Adam became a living being. And the individual personality.

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The what? Last item. See it first. Adam became a living being. He was an individual personality. But the last Adam whose. Which is. Who became a what? A life giving spirit. He restored the dead to life. Now, the first man. He's a living being, right? He's an individual personality. But the scripture calls Christ the last Adam, not the second, the last. There was no one had to come in behind him and clean up, huh? He became a life giving spirit. Restoring. Our next verse. Which would be verse 46, I suppose. But it's not the spiritual life that came first, but the physical, then the spiritual. The first man. Which is Adam was from out of earth. He was made of dust, which means he was earthly minded. All see that? The second man is the Lord of Heaven. Go. Now those who are made of the dust are like him, who was made of the dust, their earthly minded and as is the man from heaven, so are those who are of heaven, their heavenly mighty. Can you see a contrast? Made from the dust, he thinks Dusty. Second one is a life giving spirit. They didn't make Jesus out of dust, Huh? He's. He's. He's from heaven. And what kind of mind does he have? All right. Stay right there. And I'm going to quote this to you again. First Corinthians 2:16 says, You have the mind of Christ. Now we all have in heaven.

**[00:33:13] Pastor West**

You do have first, John 4:17 says as he is now, So are you in this earth? What are you going to do with that? Ask Jesus says now. So are you in this earth? Not when you get to heaven. Colossians Chapter three and Ephesians chapter three and four says, Put off the old man and put on the new man. And you're thinking. And your what? And you're thinking not in your spirit because it's already been put on. So you already have all Jesus in your spirit. Well, you know, all things. But how do you get what you know in all things out into your other life? Well, you have to begin to to understand who you are in this. And then will you accept that? And will you agree? Will you agree in your mind, will you renew your mind to the place that that was true in the spirit already? True in the Spirit is the reality. Amen. Amen. Which will be one of the hardest things you've ever done. Because you'll have to you'll have to trump your experiences because you know, your body, your family tree, which there's always nuts in everybody, in every tree. There's some nuts in there everywhere. Right? You just you don't have to tree back forward and you'll find flakes and nuts and all kinds of grapefruit and just wow crazy people. And they'll say, well, we first cut it. I said, We don't tell nobody. All right. So we lost.

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It's gone. No.



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Oh, well, yeah. Let's keep it. Next verse. And just as we have watched Airborne, the image just as we have because we were born into this life spiritually dead. Right? Because of Adam. So when we were born, you were you bore the image of the man of dust. But so shall we also let us bear now the image of the man of heaven?

**[00:35:05] Pastor West**

Amen.

**[00:35:07] Pastor West**

So you couldn't help but because of Adam's transgression? I mean, you didn't do anything, but because Adam fell, You. You were born father, and you bore the image of a dust of a dusty man. But how many got born again?

**[00:35:21] Pastor West**

Amen.

**[00:35:22] Pastor West**

So now we're supposed to take place. Now you're supposed to bear the image. What of the man of the man of heaven? So you're supposed to be heavenly minded now. Amen. So you can't walk around? I don't know. How can I do all that? I don't know. I just don't know. I know I can do all things, but not me. See that? We're going to call you Dusty if you do that all the time. I think the last verse 50 will be finished there. But I'll tell you this, brethren, flesh and blood cannot. Watch it now. Can. Cannot is kind of strong, right? It's the Bible tells you something that cannot then take it to the bank. Flesh and blood cannot become partakers of eternal salvation, and they cannot inherit or share in the Kingdom of God, nor does the perishable that which is decaying, inherit or share in the imperishable. We could go home. Right there. Yeah. Say, Lord. Think about that for a week. Break it up in little bitty pieces. But we got just a few minutes, so. So, once again, Romans five is about two atoms. In other words, there's nothing you could do to put yourself in either one of those. Mhm. Did you hear what I said? What did I just say? Nothing you could do too. What? And either one of those. All of you were born into the first atom and you had nothing to do with it. You say? Well, that ain't fair. I know, but Jesus Will was going to fix what's not fair.

**[00:36:51] Pastor West**

But when you were born again, you came out of the first atom. You and you came into the last item you came into. Christ real simple. So far, your only involvement was to believe. Y'all agree? Amen. Amen. Was it to work for your salvation? No. You heard a message and you believed it. Right. And the Bible says when you believe you went from spiritual death to spiritual life. You went from first item to last item. You went from earthly to heavenly. You became a new creature in Christ Jesus. Old things passed away. Why don't you lead them away? Hmm. So we want to we want to pick them up right now and bear that image. Because we have a mind, a body and emotions. We sit there and pay someone \$100 an hour to tell them how we feel all the time, what we might feel that way. But most of them say, Well, what happened now, baby? Tell me how you felt about that. Well, then you can cry a bucket of tears because that's how you felt about it. But. But what's the answer? I mean, some kind of therapy. I mean, do I get a massage or. I do. I mean, what happens? Do you massage my emotions? I'm not all that might help to measure, but it won't be the answer. It's just it's just a band aid is all it is. In other words, someone asked me about two months ago.

**[00:38:27] Pastor West**

I won't even say who it is because you all may know. They said, How are you doing? I said, Well, I'm doing I'm blessed. They said, What do you mean? I said. They said, But then they come and said, Well, you mean you blessed? I said. I said, Well, I said, I'm blessed with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ. I said, Well, yeah, I know that, but but how you really doing? And I said, Well, hang on, I haven't had my Bible with me. So I thought, I can't believe you asked me that, not you. So I went to Ephesians one three. I said, Oh, I'm really blessed with every spiritual blessing to have place across. I said, Yeah, I know how you really do. And I said, Well, let me see how I'm doing. I looked over here for another scripture and I said, Well, as he is, so am I in the Earth. I'm complete in Christ. I got the fullness of Christ on the inside of me. That's how I must be doing. I see. Well, yeah, I know that. But tell me, how do you really feel nowadays? I said, Who cares how I feel? I don't care how I feel. Feelings ain't got nothing to do anything. Why are you so worried about how I feel? How you feel? So I said, Well, hang on, I got an answer for that too. I said, There it is. Second Corinthians five.

**[00:39:31] Pastor West**

So I walk by faith and not by how I feel. Oh, well, I guess I feel great. So. Yeah, but I know, but. But how do you, as a person feel? I said, Oh, I died. I don't know how I feel. I mean, you know, dead man don't talk no more. You're supposed to die. But we got some really live ones. Like a fish. You put them on the bank and flop flopping. They're trying to get back to the water. How do you feel? Trying to get well. How do you really feel, Mr. Fish? You're trying to work its way back to the water, y'all. Okay. So you had nothing to do with it? What did you. Adam sinned and died spiritually than you were born into this world in Adam right now. What did you do personally to be born with a sin nature? Nothing. What what acts of violence are saying? Did you commit to be born a brand new baby, born to one, born with a sin nature? What did the baby do? I mean, other than kick his mom around a lot and, you know, kept them awake and stuff like that. But I'm just saying they didn't do anything right. So then people who was in Adam. They died spiritually because of Adam's transgression, not even yours. You born with a sin nature. But when you get born again, the Bible says when you believe, then you become the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. Right? That's what the Scripture says.

**[00:41:14] Pastor West**

So what did you do to become righteous? What righteous act did you perform To become righteous? What? What unrighteous acts did you perform to become unrighteous? Nothing. So it's about two people. It's about two positions. It's about two conditions. It's two understandings are either in Adam or you're in Christ. Either you are in the position of in sin or you are still in the law or else you're in the New Covenant. To jump ahead just a little bit. Probably shouldn't do this, but when you get to Romans chapter seven, Paul tries to explain this through a marriage relationship. In other words, and we'll get into it a bit later. But just Paul uses a marriage relationship to talk about really. He's still talking about he's never changed subject. He's talking about two people, two atoms, two positions, two two different kind of lives. So he says if a woman marries someone, he says she is bound by law to that person. Right. And which she says she can't just go get married again while she's married. It says. But if she if that husband passes or dies, she's now free to marry another one. It still works that way, don't it? Legally. Right. So Paul was saying, well, Paul is trying to tell you is when you were born in this world, you were born to Mr. Law. But then Jesus came and fulfilled the law and the law died. Freed you up to marry Mr. Grace.

**[00:42:54] Pastor West**

Amen. Amen.

**[00:42:55] Pastor West**

Amen. Apostle Paul was nowhere. So if you're married to Mr. Grace, why are you acting like you're still married? Also to Mr. Law. He said, because you can't be married to both. So are you married to Mr. Law? Are you married to Mr. Grace? So he uses the word. Paul uses the analogy of this that if when you're married to the one that you try to have interaction with the other, he said. That's called spiritual adultery. So when you when you live as a person born under the New Covenant in Christ, in grace, but yet you begin to put stipulations on others and yourself after Jesus, who who died once and for all time, He says you have now committed a spiritual adultery. So now your condition changes, but your position don't. In other words, your you did nothing to become a sinner. You was born into sin because of Adam, but because of Christ. You was taken out of the sin nature and you was born with a righteous nature. What did you do to be in either one of those positions? Nothing. It was just who you was tied to.

**[00:44:17] Pastor West**

Amen.

**[00:44:18] Pastor West**

Right. So sin is gone because Jesus dealt with the sin. So now all that just leaves you with one position. It's called being right with God. It's called righteousness, which is also justification. Justified. Justified. Just breaking up simply means just if you are righteous, you are holy, you are justified, you are just. It's just as if I'd never sinned. And awesome. Justified means just as if I'd never missed it. So in your spirit, you're born again spirit, which is sealed from all sin. From all times. That's why you're just as righteous as God in your spirit. Because He put his spirit in you, then sealed it off. So sin can't touch it. So in your spirit you're just as righteous as Jesus himself right now on the throne. Amen. Amen. Thank you for those three bolsters. Amen. In your spirit. You are just as righteous as Jesus. You're just as holy as Jesus. You know everything God knows in your spirit. Now, what a little side note for you. Take five minutes to do this. 2 or 3 minutes. Do this. If you would pray in the spirit, if you would pray in tongues, because first Corinthians 14, I think verse 14 somewhere says, you know, it talks about praying in the spirit because then your spirit in your spirit, you know, all things. And when you pray, he says, it's the spirit.

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When you pray in tongues, it says it is your spirit that's doing the praying. And it goes on to say, in your spirit, you know, all things. But if you back up a verse or two, someone verse 12 or 13 says, But if you're going to pray in the spirit, pray that you also may interpret. Why? So that your mind will become fruitful for what you're saying. In other words, you're edifying yourself. You're building yourself up. You're charging yourself by praying in tongues because it's by the Holy Ghost. There's a lot of benefits to it, but your mind is unfruitful. You know? You don't even know what you're praying about. Way back there in the room praying this morning. Pre-service prayer back this morning. I don't know if this ever happened to me before like this Pastor Matt. He was back there praying. We was praying in the spirit after saying, you know. In English for a period of time and then came into the spirit and pray in the spirit. And so he was praying that he came to the end of praying. And we were kind of, you know. Coming to the end of the time of prayer. And then he just began to. Before he began to say some things about what he was feeling or thinking and saying. But that's not how the Holy Ghost told me.

**[00:46:55] Pastor West**

I was sitting there when he got there, praying in the Spirit. The Holy Spirit said, Now listen to me. He said, Here comes the interpretation. But. But it didn't come like you would think. Tone, interpretation come. And I was like, I was telling them back there, sometimes you have someone has the tongue and interpretation or one person has a tongue, the other person has the interpretation. It could be either way, right? So but it didn't sound like it came from the King James Bible. Did y'all know that Jesus did not preach King James? King James didn't get here at about 1600. Jesus was born before that. He was in the ads. So Matt was saying this is what I'm seeing. But before he said anything. Holy Ghost. Now, listen here. He said, this is the interpretation of what he and y'all were praying in the spirit. And now. Now here comes the interpretation. And I thought, well, okay. And I was thinking he might go into the, you know, make it sound like an interpretation. Now, he just started taking an English what he was seeing in the spirit while he's praying in tongues, that's called the interpretation. The Holy Ghost do same thing to you about your business, about your home, about your family, about your children, because he knows all things. But see in your spirit, you know everything to Amen.

**[00:48:14] Pastor West**

But what have you got to do? You just draw it out of your spirit. Because this is not a this is not a Mr. Rogers sermon. I understand that. I mean, it's not that it's real weighty or meaty. It's not that because, you know, Paul told the Corinthians, I mean, the ones he talked to you most about the gifts was the Corinthian church. And they had gifts abounding so much to where Paul had to stop and bring order to their service because, you know, they were overlapping each other. They had 2 or 3 people trying to give a tongue at one time. Paul said, This is good, but it's out of order. So he had to bring order to it. But yet he said, this is the most carnal church that I ever visit. The ones who operate in the gifts the most. So it could be it could be that the reason why there are so many gifts in the church is because there were babies. They need a lot more help. And there was they couldn't just accept sometimes who they were in the Lord. So they had to have all these gifts in operation. Thank God for the gifts we want, the gifts we desire, the gifts. But we don't have to function by gifts to. Why? Because the word is our answer.

**[00:49:21] Pastor West**

Amen. Amen.

**[00:49:22] Pastor West**

The word is your answer. So when I tell you, you know all things and I can give you the scripture on it, you know, First Corinthians 216 says, But but he says, you have the mind of I didn't say Paul, it didn't say Mark or James. It says, You have the mind of Christ and you know all things, Well, what are you going to do with Scripture like that? So you have to say, Well, who me? I mean, Eric, I don't know. All things. My gosh. I don't even know what eight times eight is. Well, I do. It's 81, but I'm just saying. But but, but but that's the natural brain. He's not talking about your natural brain. He knows everything. Just like Kristen was talking about, you know, when she received the offering that God went ahead of Israel and Psalm 77 and said he marked the path where they would go across and deliver Egypt from Pharaoh's army before they ever got to the Red Sea. Which makes me think God can know the future. That's the joke. You understand? But he went ahead of them and decided where they would cross over. He anticipated your needs before you knew you ever had them. So why would you freak out about needs or how you feel when he already anticipated and supplied every one of them?

**[00:50:36] Pastor West**

Ha.

**[00:50:38] Pastor West**

In a good appraisal. Can we go to. We got ten minutes. Here we go. Can you all hang in ten? Okay. So Romans six contrasts people's position of either being in sin or in righteousness because it never changes. See, most people read Romans Chapter six. They think Paul changed subjects. And now talking about can I even be born again? Now we're going to talk about, you know, either sinning or not sinning. It's not what I was talking about. Because. Romans Chapter six, it starts off that way. Romans five was a masterpiece. And I wish we had when you read verses 17 through 21, it's awesome because it tells you grace will reign through righteousness. The grace of God, which supplied you with everything. Reigns through your righteous position. So if you don't know that you're righteous, you don't understand your position. You don't understand that your grace can't reign through nothing. There'll be no reigning. There'll be domination by by the devil himself. But when you understand that you're the righteous of God and that is your position, not, not, not your condition, because your condition will try to change on you. Then it will try to change. You know, he'll try to change the coordinates of this whole thing. He likes to change coordinates because he's wanting to affect your mind. So you'll think your conditions change because you could have a really bad day. You could make him a you could make a mistake and the enemy will just you know, he's called the accuser of the brethren. He's good at it, too, but he's good at that thing.

**[00:52:10] Pastor West**

Yeah.

**[00:52:12] Pastor West**

Revelation says the accuser of the Brethren comes up before for God all the time and says he accuses you all the time. Well, you know, Jack did this and he did that. And he said that he he cursed, thirsty. He got mad. And, you know, he he told someone they're number one on the interstate. Well, you don't need to do that and you don't have to do that. But see, you might have done good for 2 or 3 weeks and all of a sudden you slipped up. So you certainly don't feel righteous. Y'all here are gone. You ever not felt righteous? Yeah. Yeah. Yeah, me too. You know, sin has a way of making you be a coward. Especially when you tell the Lord for the 15,000 time that happened again, didn't it? Well, but. But it didn't change your position. Why? Because. What did you do to get the position? Oh, you didn't do nothing, did you? Well, you did do something you believed. Amen. You believed in Jesus. Who was the atonement for all sin? Have you changed your mind about that? So they would like to get you focused on this sin act. And change your condition. Hopefully the change. He can't change your position, but if he can make you think your position changed. Yeah, but you had to say, Well, now wait. What did I do to get that position? Well, you might get a position to work that you earned. You didn't earn nothing to get this position. You just. You just had good sense to believe. So when you make a mistake, have you changed your mind about Jesus being the savior of the world? Well, how would you lose your position? See, the little Hebrew word of the gospel is too good to be true news.



**[00:53:55] Pastor West**

It's not just good news. It really means Greek scholars and Hebrew scholars says this. It means the gospel means it's too good to be true. It's a scandal. It's just like it's too good. I mean, it's wild. It's wild. So your position didn't change. But remember, you either. So we're talking about two different people in Adam or in Christ. In Adam or in last Adam. We're talking about two positions. You're either in sin or you're in righteousness. You're either in the old covenant or you're in the new Covenant. So So Romans 5:12 says, you know, by one man's disobedience, all became sinners. Who was who was the one man who was disobedience? Who would that be? Adam. But it also tells you by another man, you all became the righteousness of God. Who's the other man and Jesus? So he says now, because you're in Jesus, he says, and you become a new creation. All things are passed away. All things have become new. And then, you know, Paul is not writing another chapter. He's still writing the letter. So he just says in verse, chapter, chapter six, verse one, he says, What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? Verse two God forbid. How shall we that are dead to sin live any longer therein. So the more that you read this, you feel like now Paul's just changed.

**[00:55:20] Pastor West**

Like, okay, Jesus got you saved last week just as I am. You came up, you know, without one plea, but that the blood was shed for me and you receive Jesus. And then the next week, you're already made a mistake. You're sinning. So you read verse six and say, Well, shall we just continue in sin that grace may abound? Well, God forbid. Well, how shall we that are dead to sin live any longer in it. So you feel like you're like, Well, how could you make a mistake? Because why would you fail? Why did you sin? Because now you're the righteous of God. Well, can anyone who's righteous make a mistake? But can't. Can't they? Has anyone ever righteous Who is the righteous God ever seen? Wow. How much singing can you get by with? I mean, I'd like to know the answer to that. I mean. I mean, what's too much? Which ones that the Lord doesn't pay that much attention to. Picture? Well, probably the big stuff. You know, powerful stuff. Go. It's not what James said. So you missed one. You're guilty of everything. You're a murderer. You're a homosexual. You're a lesbian. You're. You're everything. You're guilty of Everything. You're a child molester. You stole a pencil. That don't make sense. Sen. Sen. But he's not. Romans six is not talking about now that you're born again. Are you saying or not saying any longer? He's never changed his mindset of we're talking about two contrasts in two people. We're contrasting old life, new life for contrast in the law with contrast in grace.

**[00:57:04] Pastor West**

Two covenants, he says. So now that we are living by the grace of God, shall we sin? That which shall we go back to the law? Because now we've made a mistake, now we've sinned. And he says, No, God forbid, because, see, he said, Remember you died to this. See, look here. Verse three know you. Not that so many of us were baptized into Christ, Christ was baptized into death. Therefore, you were buried with him by baptism into his death. Now. Now. What caused Jesus to die? Our sin. Right. And you were baptized with him because of your sin. Symbolically, you were. He died because of your sin. He was buried because of your sin. True. Watch here. That, like as Christ, you was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father. Even so, now we should walk in the newness of life. What's the newness of life? This. This is this new covenant. So Paul says, Why would you want to go back and resurrect and go back under the law? Shall we sin? Shall we go back to the law? Shall we go back to the old method? Shall we go back to Adam because we sinned? God forbid. Don't go back to Adam. If you make a mistake. Dear God, don't go back to Adam. Who do you go to? Christ. Amen. So I asked you. I asked you. Now, this is where religious people really get off. You say, Well, what sins do God keeping up with? Getting ready.

**[00:58:35] Pastor West**

None.

**[00:58:38] Pastor West**

Nada. The Lord doesn't have an account book on you. He closed it. Colossians two said he closed it. See, Grace doesn't even keep a track of your sin any longer. Oh. Oh, my God, he said. I knew one day he slipped. He's lost his mind. You're right. I did. I lost my mind. Thank God I finally lost it. Colossians 2:14, The law book translation says Jesus came nailed that which was against you. What was against you? The thing that you transgressed. What did you transgress? You transgressed the law. He took the law. For he fulfilled the law for you as if you did it. See Jesus didn't just come fulfilled the law. He come as your substitute, as if you fulfilled it, as if you kept it perfectly, gave you the full credit for it, and then took everything that was contrary to you. Now, from the past, present, and even to the future. And he paid for everything at one time, nailed it to his cross, the lobby translation said. And he closed the account book forever.

**[01:00:06] Pastor West**

Amen.

**[01:00:08] Pastor West**

So you can't carry a balance over. You said you got me confused because I still make mistakes. I still sin. I know. You may say, but. But what? Huh? Do we still make mistakes? Sometimes. Yes, you do. So what's Paul saying then? He says, God forbid, don't go back out of the newness of life and go and go into the sin of the law. Don't don't go back to that standard. He said don't go back. You're married to Mr. Grace now. Don't go back and have an affair with Mr. Law. He said, Christ died to this one time. He's not going to come die for it again. What he did was forever. So he goes on to say, Reckon yourself dead. Dead to what? Dead to the law. Dad to be a transgressor. Dad to be separated from God. Dead to there. That you need to do something. That you need to add something to what Jesus did. What are you going to do to add to what Jesus did? If Jesus is what He did ain't enough, then what are you going to do to make it enough? You think I'm going to be able to do something? Good enough. I'm going to pick up where Jesus left off. I mean, just tell Jesus appreciate you coming. But, you know, we kind of have some more problems, so we had to do some more stuff. What did you do? I mean, you see what he had to go through to deal with your sin.

**[01:01:33] Pastor West**

So. So what are you going to do? No one can die for man's sins. It's already been done. No one was worthy to do it. Only one man did it. And then he called. What he did. Finished. So when you get on Hebrews and I'll stop here. So when you get into Hebrews, it contrasts the two. Paul keeps on giving you these understandings all throughout the New Testament. Hebrews, he contrasts the priest of the Old Covenant to Jesus being your high priest. He said he said the high priest of the Old Covenant, you would come and you would bring your lamb, right? You'd bring whatever your sacrifice, whatever it is, and you would bring it and the priest would have to inspect it first. He'd have to really. You couldn't bring the worst that you had. You had to bring the best that you had because it was going to be a type and shadow of the Christ that was to come. Christ hadn't come. He hadn't paid the price. So God instituted this way of man's sins to be not removed, but to be covered. But there was always guilty in their mind because there was never removed. So they would come to the priest and he would examine your your lamb, whatever that you had to make sure it had no blemishes to it. You couldn't bring, like I said, you couldn't bring a gimpy. So. Well, you know, you got a leg about half gone.

**[01:02:46] Pastor West**

So I guess we'll just take him Sunday. You know, like people walk up to dollar bills, you know, and it's like and Bill's been Dollar General 15 times this week. Finally made his way to the church. So you couldn't bring old gimpy. You had to bring your best. And then the high priest would examine that. And then when you go into the inner court and you see what was in the court, and I don't have time to go through all this, but if you was to go in there, you would see that there was no furniture in there. He would go in there and he was, you know, cut his throat and the blood would be a type of the blood of the shed and the sacrifice that Christ would give. So we got the best sacrifice that you got. And the priest had to say, okay, we can use this one or this is not going to work. This one has blemishes all over. You go back and get your best. So he would offer that lamb's life and he would put the blood, you know, upon what we would call the mercy seat for a forgiveness for your time, whether it was, you know, once a year when you would come, you would tell this man your sins that still works in some areas today, right? With the collar turned around, just do a box. Which is once again, that's called Antichrist.

**[01:03:57] Pastor West**

Hello?

**[01:03:59] Pastor West**

It is. I'm not against people. I'm just saying it's anti Christ. I don't care who does it. No man is the high priest for Jesus. You don't go to a man and tell him what you did wrong. Please don't. Please don't come. Tell me. I'm just going to punch you. I'm just a pointer. I'm like a I'm, like, on the interstate. You know, you're traveling these signs, you know, Holiday Inn, you know, Zaxby's Restaurant or whatever. I mean, Shell Gas station, three miles ahead. I just point right ahead. Right here. Right. I'm just a pointer. I ain't never come. I'm the restaurant. I'm the hotel. I'm the gas station. I'm just a pointer. I just pointed Jesus all the time. You know why? Because he's always right. And if you act like him, you'll look smart. Whether you are or not. You don't have to be smart. You can just look like you are. Just act and talk like Jesus and they'll think you just smart because you are, because you just agree with him. So he would examine your lamb. So there was no there was no place for the priest to ever sit down that day. You know why? Here's the only reason why. When they would come lines of people and offer their sacrifice, there was no furniture in the inner sanctuary because there was no place for him to sit because his work was never finished. Hebrews said when Jesus came one time for all people, for all sins Forever did it, and sat down. He sat down to preach, never sat down because Jesus is through. It's called a finished work finished. So in the old Covenant the priest is examining your sacrifice to see if it's worthy.

**[01:05:36] Pastor West**

In the New Covenant. Jesus is your sacrifice and he don't need to be examined. He is worthy. Amen. So. So it's not someone examining you to see if you're worthy. They don't look in our company. They don't look at us. They look at Jesus. Is Jesus worthy? So now what did you what did you do to be guilty of all sins when you were born into the world? Nothing. Who did it? Adam. Why were you spiritually dead? Adam sinned. But when you believed upon Jesus, you became the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. True. What did you do? What did you possibly do to become righteous? As righteous as Jesus? Nothing. So your position changed. So the enemy tried to takes the conditions of your world. Some of your worst days and say, well, you can't be the righteous God. You do this. You did that. You didn't do this. You didn't do that. You see, he wants to put the focus on you. And every time you put the focus on you, you take it off. Jesus. So you put the focus back on Jesus. So when I make a mistake, see first John three says, your heart tries to condemn you. Eric would say, don't let it. Don't let your heart condemn you. Now, if it's wrong, it's wrong. And say, Lord, forgive me for that. I'm sorry. That shouldn't have happened. I'm sorry that happened. That is wrong for that to happen. Thank God for your grace. To help me, to empower me. To teach me so that this doesn't go on. This. This comes to a stop. I'm empowered by the grace of God to stop. I don't live in sin because I don't live in Adam.

**[01:07:13] Pastor West**

That's right.

**[01:07:14] Pastor West**

We're not contrasting in Romans six. Either sinning or not sinning. We're contrasting law or grace. Adam or Christ. First Adam. Last Adam. Mr. Law. Married to Mr. Law. Married to Mr. Grace. Which one? Mr. Grace. So. So once you have died to this, why would you go back and commit adultery and come back into the law of things when you already have lived in the grace of God? Don't change your position because something happens with your condition one day. So when I make a mistake, when I fail, I acknowledge it. So when the enemy comes and the accuser of the brethren says, You this and you that and you that, and I say, I was wrong, but you're not my high priest. I don't confess anything to you. But even when I was wrong, I was still the righteous to God in Christ Jesus. And I was still your master. Even when you made a mistake, you were still the devil's master because he's spiritually dead forever. And you're spiritually alive forever.

**[01:08:16] Pastor West**

Amen.

**[01:08:17] Pastor West**

Now, that's good, Preacher. That is good, preacher. Not because I said it. Because the Bible said it. Amen. Thank God. That is good preaching. Even when. Even on your worst day, your worst day, you are your foot is still on the devil's head. You are still right with God. Can you see the position and the condition? We all know that we make mistakes. And when we fail, let's just say what it is. It's sin. It condemns our heart, right? Because most of us fail on the same areas. We don't pick new ones. Yeah. Always get quiet when I say that. But I just understand human nature. Huh. Anyway, there's. There's some things that people do that you know. Then, you know there's a place to be free from that. No one says that you. You're not trapped into that lifestyle. The more that you understand who you are, your identification, the sin will lose its appeal to you. When you understand who you really are, the things that grips you and wants to and the flesh wants these things, the flesh will lose all desire for them. In other words, you'll begin to hate what God hates and you'll love what God loves. But while you're in that transition of renewing your mind, the enemy doesn't have free reign with you because Jesus has already paid for you. You belong to Jesus. So the devil don't call the shots. You call the shots. So even when I make the mistake and I fail, you are still just as right with God as you was before.

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Because you can't lose your position because you didn't do anything to earn it. How do you lose what you what you did nothing for? Amen. But you have to see both sides. You did nothing to become sin, but then you did nothing to receive righteous. You believed. And then you became the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. That's awesome. That's awesome. That's awesome. So don't go to these people with the collar, turned around, start talking to them. Jesus paid the full price. It's finished. It's done. So? So you ought to be, you know, if you want to be impressed with something, you ought to be impressed with, with the righteousness of God, who you are in Christ. That's the most impressive thing that I know. This message changed my life. Still changed my life. Anything that I could preach, if I if I just did what I. I preach this all the time, man. I love to hear preaching about the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. Amen. Amen. You don't even you don't even have to hear one healing message to be healed. Do you know that Jesus never preached one healing message? Paul never preached one either. We have conferences for healing. That's okay. But they never preached one message about it. Jesus went around just preaching the kingdom because the kingdom encompassed all that. The sick got healed because he was good. He was merciful. He was kind. And he paid the price. But. But sometimes we'll just preach all these sermons about different things, you know, you know, for people to have knowledge and understanding.

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But you don't have to preach healing to be healed. May Jesus never did it. When he sent the disciples out, all he told them, He says, Now, when you go, when you go, he says, he says, Tell them. Tell them the kingdom's come to them. He didn't say, Tell them the healers come. He didn't say, Tell them Powers Come. He said, But I'm going to send you out with power and you can tread upon every serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy. He says, Now, when you get there, Luke, nine, ten and Luke 12, somewhere in there, he said he gave him power. He says, when you when you leave me, he said, you go by twos. He says, when you go he says, Preach the kingdom. He said, Heal all the sick people. He said, There's dead. Raise the dead. He said, there'll be devils will cast out devils and I give you my name. When Peter and John went to the gate. Beautiful. Did they preach a healing sermon? They approached him. Did they preach about the power of the Holy Ghost? All they said. All they said is look on us. You got. You got a whole group of so-called believers and Christians who would never say, oh, I don't know. I would never say, look on me. I won't say that. No, I wouldn't go. I wouldn't say no. That's just blasphemous. Brother, Say, look on us.

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We'll tell Peter and John that when you get to heaven, you all just blasphemed. Peter said, you know, the man was blind. Right. So he's begging. And Peter said, We didn't bring any money with us. He said, Silver and gold, have we? None. But such. Such as I have. Oh, such as I was. Oh, such as he has. Who do you think he is to mark what he has? Peter said, Well, such as I had. I can give it. Oh you can give what you have. You know you can't give what you don't have. But you can't give what you do have. Said I don't have silver and gold. He said, But I have something that's even better than silver and gold such as I have. He said, Be healed the name of Jesus and took his hand and picked him up. Such as I have never preached anything about healing. The guy had never walked. He's 40 years old, never walked in his life. And Peter just said, I didn't bring money with me. The guy was asking we kid about it, Said he was asking for arms and money, but he ended up with legs. And he stood up and he was, you know, and it caused a big stir. You know who's mad? The religious people. Yeah. Yeah, they were. They were flogging Peter and John and whatever. And the church grew by 5000 people in just a few days. He's just such as I have. What do you have?

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Well, you know.

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In the sweet by and by. Well, we don't leave in sweet, by and by. There ain't no problems over there. And the sweet. By and by. When the sweet by bye by. That'd be glorious. But what are you going to do here in the nasty, here and now? He said, Well, boy, I tell you what, I'm going to learn about these things when I get to heaven. I'm going to give the devil what for? Well, he won't be there, sucker. I mean, you can't give him what for? He's not welcome there. He's been kicked out. He's homeless. Dear God, why would you listen to a homeless person all the time? Take. Take counsel from a homeless person. How stupid can you be to get kicked out of heaven? Well, praise God. So I just say right now, just be healed. Whatever it is you got going on, if you got anything on whatever you guys got going on out there, though, you those of you who listen in another time, wherever country that you're in, it's not hard to find people who are sick. All you got to do is wake up and look. So in the name of Jesus, you know, whether you're listening to this live or whether you're listening to it four years from now, or if you find this broadcast and the church has already been raptured for you or not. You know that will happen. It'll be a terrifying place for people to live in, but it will happen. People the biggest, the biggest. Don't do it this way, but the biggest harvest that'll ever take place will be when the church is gone.

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During that seven years. So if you listen to that broadcast at this time, still have faith in Jesus Christ. So still you can receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and savior. Still, you can become the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. What does it make you feel? Good? Righteousness. Just make it real simple. What does that mean? Because you accepted Jesus and he became the atonement. He became the payment for all your sins. Past, present and future. When God looks at you, he says, There. Right. How does it make you feel when you hear the scripture says, Now you're right with God. You got even people who don't even like you. Well, not some of y'all. Some of y'all. Probably everyone likes y'all, but some of us have people who don't like us. Not all of us. Can you imagine people not liking you? That's hard to believe, because I know to know me is to love me, too. To know me is to love me. Right? But you have people who don't even like you. But you're right with God. Boy, that'll just do something to you right there. You get in a hard place and you say, Well, it all looks wrong, but I'm right with God. So this thing is going to turn out amazing. I don't know what's going to happen, but it's going to be major. It's going to be major. If God wouldn't mark the path of the Israelites, if God can mark a path underwater, what do you do above the ground? I mean, how do you get a chalk line to stay down there in the water?

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Just. Wow. Mm.

**[01:17:05] Pastor West**

That little cartoon, Moses and another guy right there. The cartoon. And I was trying to get the guy to jump off the bank into the river. He's about to jump. And I said, Well, jump, jump. He says, Well, I don't want to jump right there. He said, Well, jump. Hurry. Jump. We got to go jump. He said, I ain't going to jump. You make Moses go away. He thought Moses might just chicken just part out and he'll he'll hit the dirt. Or bless God. Hallelujah. Did y'all get that?

**[01:17:36] Pastor West**

Amen.

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We'll become established in it and become masters in it. Amen. And by this time, you ought to be teachers anyway. Amen. God bless you.

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