The Seriousness & Solution To Sin (Part 2)

1 John 1:5 – 2:2

Clarity and intensity does not mean void of compassion and care

8 times the mention of sin is brought into the forefront of our thinking.

- Hypocrisy of Sin (vs. 6)
- Dishonesty of Sin (vs. 8)
- Being Empty from Sin (vs. 10)

1 John 1:5 - 2:2

THE LIGHT vs. 5

GOD - IS - LIGHT ... and in Him is no darkness ... AT ALL.

Light imagery

Intellectually: (The power of understanding)

Light = truth and darkness = ignorance or error

Morality: Holiness, Purity, & Perfection, Majesty

God *IS*

Absolute... IS!!!

No debate, not sometimes, not kind of... 100% all the time is LIGHT.

No darkness, at all! – sharpie to a wedding dress

Verbal **affirmations** must be followed with life's **actions**.

Verses 6-7 Hypocrisy

Claim to have life in common with the Father

What does it mean to WALK in darkness? (to live contrary or independent from God) Affection vs. Love

"Talk the talk, walk the walk."

This is not a heavy handed <u>accusation</u>, rather a sincere call to <u>evaluation</u>. If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another.

<u>IMPORTANT:</u> We walk in the light, NOT to get to Him but to be WITH Him. Walk in the light... live in a way where you have no fear of being caught, spied on.

"Some people change their ways when they see the light, others only when they feel the heat."

Verses 8-10 Dishonesty & Empty

8 & 10 are almost two sides to the same coin.

- 8. Theses are not conflicting concepts but complimentary truths.
 - The question is not "have you sinned?"
 - The questions is, "Have your sins been forgiven?"
 NO CHEEP GRACE

GOD IS NOT GULLIBLE, GRACIOUS BUT NOT GULLIBLE (Proverbs 1)

Presumptuous Sins

Presumptuous sins are deliberate. They are committed with the full knowledge that they are sins and in full light of what God has said. Presumptuous sins are premeditated. There is intent to sin and a time of deliberation before the act. Those who sin presumptuously say, in effect, I know what God says about it, and I don't care if it's wrong. I'm going to do it anyway."

"Who can discern his errors? Clear thou me from hidden faults. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression" (Psalm 19:12–13).

Salvation vs. Relation

• Sin as an unbeliever – you are not good with God.

Isaiah 59:1-2 Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; Nor His ear heavy, that it cannot hear. But <u>your iniquities have</u> <u>separated you from your God</u>; And your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear.

- Sin as a believer broken fellowship with the Father
- **Sin as a backslider** you are miserable in your sin and you will stay that way until you come back to The Father.
 - The Holy Spirit will NOT allow you to live in sin for very long
 - There is NOTHING that the Holy Spirit cannot free you of and walk you through. – Hooked on Cocaine (GOD IS ALL IN)

Isaiah 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him; And to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

Salvation vs. Relation

Don't hide sin Don't fix sin Confess sin!

Confess: to say the same thing as another, to admit or declare one's self as guilty of what they are accused of.

Faithful & Just

Faithful: True to His Word

Yes be ves, no be no

Jeremiah 31:34 … For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more." 2 Timothy 2:13 If we are faithless, He remains faithful; He cannot deny Himself.

Just: Does what is RIGHT. Speaks to issues of the law, righteousness being broken The only reason 9 is true is because of 5

The expectation/measuring rod, acid test is not perfection but sincerity...

Yes Lord you know I love you. (GREAT – LET'S GO!)

Sometimes we want to sit around and mope over how bad we are when the Lord wants you to get up and start walking again.

Blood of Christ has cleansed us

Blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. "God does more than forgive, He erases the stain of sin."

BLOOD

NOT TIME SERVED

NOT WORKS OF SERVICE

NOT MONEY... BLOOD!

Buying forgiveness

Going to confession

1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus,

Rather than shaming sin, John is exposing it.

Rather than mentioning Jesus, John is exalting Him. – John was on the Triumphal *I don't need to feel better, I need to be washed and made better.*

Triumphal Entry & Passion Week

Matthew 21-27, Mark 11-15, Luke 19-23, John 12-19

Matthew 21:1-9 Luke 19:37-40

Donkey - Palms - Hosanna

DONKEY

The **Prophecy** regarding the donkey

500 years before Jesus' Triumphal entry a prophecy was given through the prophet Zachariah. That when the Savior/Messiah would come, He would come on a donkey.

Zechariah 9:9 "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He *is* just and having salvation, lowly and riding on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey.

The **Perspective** regarding the donkey

Today we think of donkeys as stubborn, unimportant, less valuable animals. Biblically speaking... that is pretty far from the truth.

Exodus 20:17 – 10th Commandment, though shalt not covet your neighbors... donkey

1 Kings 1:33 Solomon, when he was inaugurated as king, rode on king David's mule.

1 Samuel 25 Abigail & David's wedding (limousine)

To ride on a horse was sometimes an emblem of war; on a mule or donkey, the emblem of peace. This was not a mark of poverty or degradation, but was the appropriate way in which a king should ride.

Clothing & Palms

Spreading their cloaks was an act of honor AND acknowledgment of royalty (2 Kings 9:13 – Jehu is king!) – each man HASTENED to take his garment...

Not just clothing but PALM BRANCHES as well...

Palms were a symbol of national patriotism and pride

- Similar to waving an American flags on the 4th of July.
- Embossed into their currency were palm branches and palm trees.
- After battles and conquest, out of homage and celebration, palm branches would be laid upon the road when kings and emperors returned to their cities.

Revelation 7:9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

HOSANNA

Hosanna: Save us, or, God Save Now!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord (The authority of God)

Hossana in the highest!!! (from the highest power and authority)

It wasn't a repeated mantra but multiple people saying multiple things.

Psalm 118:24-26 This *is* the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it. Save now, I pray, O LORD; O LORD, I pray, send now prosperity. Blessed *is* he who comes in the name of the LORD! We have blessed you from the house of the LORD.

(If you could have seen the week is time-lapse... it would have blown your mind.)

(Corrects the Pharisees & Cleanses the temple

Rocks Would Cry Out – Luke 19:40 Temple Cleansed – Luke 19:45-46

Rather than overthrowing Rome or wiping out the occupation Jesus overturns tables and cleans out the temple.

If you would have known the day of your visitation... Luke 19:41-47
You are not missing it... RIGHT?

[JESUS CHRIST THE RIGHTEOUS]

VERSES 2:1-2

An advocate – you have someone interceding for you!!! Meet with Him

Advocate:

An advocate is a person who comes to our aid or pleads our case to a judge A person who speaks or writes in support or defense of another

One who pleads another's cause before a judge, counsel for defense, legal assistant

Judge Kohl 2015 same sex marriages Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF)

One who has accurate & precise knowledge of each intricate detail of the law.

You have an accuser

You have an advocate

I am calling my lawyer/attorney

Propitiation: satisfied that law of God

Expiation = act of satisfying or paying a penalty for something and thus removing it from consideration against us. (Christ & The Cross)

Propitiation: Is God being appeased... no longer angry with the wicked. You are forgiven and cleansed. – How God sees you, and feels toward you.

Out of darkness and into marvelous light **Are you really in fellowship with God?**

We all have sin.

The questions not if you have sinned

The question is, have your sins been forgiven... GO TO GOD! COME TO JESUS!

Olivet would be returned to for prayer and arrest.

- Instructions of donkey
- Palms and clothing
- Hossanah
- Rocks
- Correct Pharisees
- Clean Temple
- Instruct the Crowds
- Water Pot to Upper Room

(Knowledge of the coming events and power over the week to come) It was all under His Control

Triumphal Entry & Passion Week
It is still under His control
Are you missing it?