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The gospel brings freedom

Acts 3:19-20 NKJV

19 Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord

1. Repent means to turn and go in the opposite direction: to have a change of heart and a change of mind
2. “Times of Refreshing” can only come from His Presence. There is a false sense of peace and security that the enemy tries to offer you
3. I’m OK your OK does not work in true Kingdom of God theology

Have we lost our fear of the Lord? Do we really think that God is pleased with the American church? There is so much preference given to people that we neglect the honor, worship and awe or fear of the Lord. God cannot be reduced to “The man upstairs” or “My friend that understands my faults and never challenges me to change.”

*Isa 1:18-19 NKJV*

18 "Come now, and let us reason together, "Says the Lord, "Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool. 19 If you are willing and obedient,

You shall eat the good of the land

John 14:6 NIV There’s only one way to Heaven

6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

John 6:48-51 NIV Jesus is eternal life

48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your forefathers ate the manna in the desert, yet they died. 50 But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which a man may eat and not die. 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

The Apostle Paul wrote to the Galatian believers after preaching the grace gospel for about 18 years. They were going astray and mixing Jewish tradition and the Law of Moses with the gospel and diluting the truth with works in order to obtain salvation. The Apostolic mandate is for truth and purity in theology.

*Eph 2:4-10 NKJV*

4 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), 6 and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7 that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast. 10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Gal 3:1-5 AMP Don’t be deceived! If you started in the Spirit you must finish in the strength of His Spirit!

3:1 O YOU poor and silly and thoughtless and unreflecting and senseless Galatians! Who has fascinated or bewitched or cast a spell over you, unto whom — right before your very eyes — Jesus Christ (the Messiah) was openly and graphically set forth and portrayed as crucified?

2 Let me ask you this one question: Did you receive the [Holy] Spirit as the result of obeying the Law and doing its works, or was it by hearing [the message of the Gospel] and believing [it]? [Was it from observing a law of rituals or from a message of faith?]

3 Are you so foolish and so senseless and so silly? Having begun [your new life spiritually] with the [Holy] Spirit, are you now reaching perfection [by dependence] on the flesh?

4 Have you suffered so many things and experienced so much all for nothing (to no purpose) — if it really is to no purpose and in vain?

5 Then does He Who supplies you with His marvelous [Holy] Spirit and works powerfully and miraculously among you do so on [the grounds of your doing] what the Law demands, or because of your believing in and adhering to and trusting in and relying on the message that you heard?

2 Tim 3:1-15 NIV Deceivers will be in the church masquerading as “True Leaders” wanting to take you down a path of self worship

3:1 But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. 2 People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money , boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, 3 without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, 4 treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God- 5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them.

6 They are the kind who worm their way into homes and gain control over weak-willed women, who are loaded down with sins and are swayed by all kinds of evil desires, 7 always learning but never able to acknowledge the truth. 8 Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so also these men oppose the truth-men of depraved minds, who, as far as the faith is concerned, are rejected. 9 But they will not get very far because, as in the case of those men, their folly will be clear to everyone.

10 You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, 11 persecutions, sufferings-what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. 12 In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, 13 while evil men and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, 15 and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

Eph 1:17-2:1 NIV To Know Him…

17 I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. 18 I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength, 20 which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, 21 far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. 22 And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

1 John 2:3-6 NIV

3 We know that we have come to know him if we obey his commands. 4 The man who says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 5 But if anyone obeys his word, God's love is truly made complete in him. This is how we know we are in him: 6 Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did.

Rom 1:14-17 Mesg. No shame

14 Everyone I meet — it matters little whether they're mannered or rude, smart or simple — deepens my sense of interdependence and obligation. 15 And that's why I can't wait to get to you in Rome, preaching this wonderful good news of God.

16 It's news I'm most proud to proclaim, this extraordinary Message of God's powerful plan to rescue everyone who trusts him, starting with Jews and then right on to everyone else! 17 God's way of putting people right shows up in the acts of faith, confirming what Scripture has said all along: "The person in right standing before God by trusting him really lives."

John 10:7-10 TPT

7So Jesus went over it again, “I speak to you eternal truth: I am the Gateway for the flock. 8All those who broke in before Me are thieves who came to steal, but the sheep never listened to them. 9I am the Gateway. To enter through Me is to experience life, freedom, and satisfaction. 10A thief has only one thing in mind— he wants to steal, kill, and destroy. But My desire is to give you everything in abundance, more than you expect — life in its fullness until you overflow!

*Keep it scriptural, Keep it simple, Keep it powerful, Keep it personal, Live it, Love it and never forsake it…*