

Lesson 3 – Summary of the Relationship Between OT and NT – Application

Summary – is Jesus Christ

Luke 24:25-27 – “He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in **all the Scriptures concerning himself**... He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written **about me** in **the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.**” (v. 46).

John 5:39 – 40 – “You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. **These are the very Scriptures that testify about me,** ⁴⁰ yet you refuse to come to me to have life.”

- If God were to give Jesus (the Solution) into the world, they wouldn't have appreciated the solution. They wouldn't have acknowledged their problem of sin.
- So He started with the law... What's the purpose of the law?

1. To Reveal Sin

Rom. 5:13 – “To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law.”

Rom. 5:20 – “The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more.”

Rom. 3:20 – “because by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified in his sight; for through the law cometh the knowledge of sin.”

2. We fall Short of the glory of God...And Death is Consequence

Rom. 3:23 – “for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

Romans 6:23 – “For the wages of sin is **death**, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Death – Means Separation...from God. There are 2 deaths.

Example: Genesis 2:17 – “but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

Question: Adam lived to be 930 years. Did God lie when he said he'll die?

Lesson: Physical death is nothing to God...Spiritual death is everything.

Do you know why people go to hell? Because they choose separation from God. Hell is separation from God, not just the eternal fire. God can't force you...

God's Strategy: God used the law, then Grace, Problem, then solution.

A. Luke 18:18 – 27 – The Rich Young Ruler

A certain ruler asked him, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

¹⁹ "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. ²⁰ You know the commandments: 'You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, honor your father and mother.'

²¹ "All these I have kept since I was a boy," he said.

²² When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "You still lack one thing. 1. Sell everything you have and 2. give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. 3. Then come, follow me.'"

²³ When he heard this, he became very sad, because he was very wealthy. ²⁴ Jesus looked at him and said, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

²⁶ Those who heard this asked, "Who then can be saved?"

²⁷ Jesus replied, "What is impossible with man is possible with God."

Observations

1. His question: What must I do to inherit eternal life?
 2. Law is grouped into 2 – man and God. Jesus mentioned the Man's part. Why?
 3. In V.22, What commandment was Jesus trying to reveal? Thou shall not covet.
- **By the way** - How do you know you have greed? Hold onto things...pain in giving...How do you know you are not greedy? Ease in giving.

➤ **Jesus solution to this man...**

1. Sell everything you have...
2. Give to the poor...
3. Come and follow me...

- Most pastors would have loved such a man...wealthy. They would not tell him to go sell everything, and if they do, they would tell him to bring the money to church...
- What would have been the problem if Jesus had invited the man to come follow him AS IS? Do you think there are Christians like that today?
- I've seen people who want to FIRST get EVERYTHING and then come follow Jesus...
- **By the way, the Commandment: "Thou shall not covet is in the NT.**

Col. 3:5 – "Put to death therefore your members which are upon the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry."

Eph. 5:3-7

³ But fornication and all uncleanness or **covetousness**, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; ⁴ neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. ⁵ For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, **nor covetous man, who is an idolater**, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. ⁶ Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷ Therefore do not be partakers with them.

1Cor. 6:9-10

"Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor ^ahomosexuals, nor ^bsodomites, ¹⁰ nor thieves, **nor covetous**, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

Question: How did Jesus fulfill it?

Summary: Jesus used the law to expose this man...My example.

B. The Samaritan Woman – John 4:7-26

⁷ A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." ⁸ For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

⁹ Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.

¹⁰ Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

¹¹ The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water?" ¹² Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?"

¹³ Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

¹⁵ The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." ¹⁷ The woman answered and said, "I have no husband."

Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' ¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly."

¹⁹ The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. ²⁰ Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you *Jews* say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship."

²¹ Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. ²² You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. ²³ But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship

Him. ²⁴ God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

²⁵ The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things."

²⁶ Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am *He*."

- In Evangelism, always start with where the person is (Known to unknown). Start with what you have in common.
 - V. 7 – Give me a drink? That's a need they had in common.
 - Let's face it, if it was us, that's where we would stop at.
 - Most of the times need can be an opening point – but unfortunately, we tend to focus on our needs - Example of Jesus and the thief on the cross...
- Wait till you get the person's attention (v.15).
 - "Sir, give me this water!" Jesus had gotten her attention.
 - My example – "I'm from heaven."
 - He had created the need...
- At that point, most preachers would have prayed for her to receive Jesus...or just invited her to church.
- V.16 – 18 – Jesus – "Go, call your husband."
- What was Jesus doing: Show her that she's a sinner. What law had she broken? All.
- V. 18 – Jesus is not condemning her but agreeing with her.
- Confess – Saying the same thing again...agreeing with God. God says lying is sin, you say so, and agree with Him...
- What would have happened if Jesus had given her this water at that point when she asked for it? While she was still clinging to her lifestyle of immorality? She would have been religious without being saved.
- She would not enjoy eternal life...
- Do you think there are people like that today in church?
- And you wonder why they are not excited about salvation, church, word, etc.
- Verses 19 – 24 – Avoid religious arguments...
 - She tried to bring in unfruitful religious arguments, trap.
 - Jesus focused on the spirit, sin, the heart, etc.
 - Avoid religious arguments with moslems (About Mary – how can God have a son, etc).

How do you do that? Jesus focused on the issue of sin – adultery, used the law.

- Did Jesus Succeed? Verses 25 – 26 – Messiah.
- When her sin was exposed (She knew she was a sinner), she didn't say she'll stop sinning...she cried for help, for the Messiah.

Result – Verses 28-30; 39 – 43

V. 29 – “Come, see a man...”

- All her life she had been looking for men to satisfy her – kept on moving from one to another.
- Obviously the relationships didn't end well...if it was well it would not have ended like this.
- There was brokenness, void, emptiness.
- But here was a different MAN...
- And she was excited about this MAN....
- And she realized this is who she had been missing...and seeking...in men.
- **LISTEN** – Until you reach that point where you realize Jesus is all that you have been missing, looking for, and need, you'll always keep on looking for “men” or “things”, so to speak.
- Peter and his disciples “Left all and followed him.” (Lk. 5:11).
- Not some. But all. Not Jesus plus, but all!