Mat 85

Washing the world off our feet.

Lord’s Supper….

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Turn to 1Cor chapter 3 with me today.

The past few lessons were a focus on the birth of Sin and how God has set up a protocol for dealing with sin and also the Bel after salvation that will sin has a divine standard to follow as well.

For those teachers who disagree with the fact that after salvation we still deal with the OSN or maybe they believe we simply don’t ever acknowledge our sins when we fail after salvation I would suggest to go back on the past two lessons and follow this one closely.

Now if I told you that you can fill something up…it would imply that it is either empty or can be empty at some point.

And if I told you to put on something like a piece of clothing it would imply you can also take it off …I want you to think about that and follow that logic so we can finish today with a clear thought process that Bels sin after salvation but we have a choice and a fix for the problem.

/In Eph 5:18 Paul calls it being *filled* with the Spirit; in Gal 5:16 he says *“walk by the Spirit.”* In Rom 13:14 he says *“put on Christ,*”\

These are three ways of commanding spirituality in the Paul’s epistles.

Look in Rom 13:14 for an example-

/Rom 13:14 But **put on the Lord Jesus Christ,** and make no provision for the flesh **in regard to its lusts**.

Paul is teaching about lust patterns of the flesh, therefore it must still have some significance in the Christian walk.\

John has a different vocabulary: John spoke about abiding in Christ and walking in the light-

*/“Abide in Him*,” present active imperative, 1 Jhn 2:27,28. All believers abide in Christ (positionally). John uses another phrase for being filled with the Spirit: *“walk in the light.”\*

Now as we dive in 1 Corinthians I again remind you that Paul is dealing with Bels some are living outside the plan of God.

/1Co 3:1 And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual men, but **as to men of flesh** *(sarkinos*), as to infants in Christ.\

SARK-KEY-NAS –This Greek adjective is taken from a root word meaning emotional people, living on instinct, apart from anything divine….it is speaking to that which is earthly and perishable.

1Co 3:2 I gave you milk to drink, not solid food; for you were not yet able *to receive it.* Indeed, even now you are not yet able,

1Co 3:3 for **you are still fleshly**. For since there is **jealousy** and **strife** among you, are you not fleshly, and are you not **walking like mere men**?

Bels still failing in these areas….jealousy & strife.

1Co 3:4 For when one says, “I am of Paul,” and another, “I am of Apollos,” are you not *mere* men?

When they bicker over who has been taught better…who is more spiritual they are living in the flesh…jealousy & strife is what was going on.

1Co 3:5 What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, even as the Lord gave *opportunity* to each one.

1Co 3:6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth.

1Co 3:7 So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but God who causes the growth.

1Co 3:8 Now he who plants and he who waters are one; but each will receive his own reward according to his own labor.

1Co 3:9 For we are God’s fellow workers; you are God’s field, God’s building.

1Co 3:10 According to the grace of God which was given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and another is building on it. But each man must be careful how he builds on it.

1Co 3:11 For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

In other words you can’t add anything to salvation…you can’t do something that makes your salvation greater than the next guy. Salvation …eternal security was done once and for all on that Cross!

1Co 3:12 Now if any man builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw,

(HUMAN WORKS…legalism!)

1Co 3:13 each man’s work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is *to be* revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man’s work.

1Co 3:14 If any man’s work which he has built on it remains, he will receive a reward.

/1Co 3:15 **If any man’s work is burned up, he will suffer loss**; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.\

What you do in the power of the flesh counts for nothing…therefore we should be walking in the New Nature tapping into the filling power of the HS.

1Co 3:16 Do you not know that you are a temple of God and *that* the Spirit of God dwells in you?

/1Co 3:17 **If any man destroys** (*phtheirō)* **the temple of God**, God will destroy him, for the temple of God is holy, and that is what you are.\

The word *IF* is in the Greek 1st class condition meaning that this is exactly what they were doing.

In other words they were damaging the temple within the soul structure with false concepts and doctrines of demons.

That word *destroy* (THIGH-ROW) is better translated corruption or to defile something….when you tear it apart and look at its core definition, destroy is not the exact way to interpret though it is used in that sense in some scripture.

It is pointing to disrupting & corrupting the temple in the soul structure. This can bring us home early….the sin unto death!

Turn to Romans chapter 7 with me.

Why do several of the Apostles like Peter, John and Paul point out the new nature and the old nature…if the OSN has no significance in our spiritual walk?

/Eph 4:24 and **put on the new self**, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.\

To put something on… means you probably took it off or you have the ability to take it off!!!

/Col 3:10 and have **put on the new self who is being renewed** to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him—\

The new man is a reflection of TLJC the old man is sinful flesh, a reflection of the original man in the garden.

We don’t have a definitive answer as to who wrote the book of Hebrews… a few scholars point to Luke and Paul working together on this book, and I lean in that direction myself….

/Heb 12:1 Therefore, since we have so great a **cloud of witnesses** (angelic & human) surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and **the sin which so easily entangles us**, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,\

Only Bels are running the race…therefore this is telling us some sins easily entangle a Bel!!!!

Look at Romans 7 verse 14 and think about that fact that Paul is probably 20 years into his ministry.

Rom 7:14 For we know that the Law is spiritual, but I am of flesh, sold into bondage to sin.

/Rom 7:15 For what I am doing, I do not understand; for **I am not practicing what I *would* like to *do****,* but I am doing the very thing I hate.\

How many of us have had a bad day or a bad stretch that we look back and say…oh man I can’t believe I did that… or I can’t believe I said that?

Paul is addressing a sin that easily entangles him. We all have it!

Rom 7:16 But if I do the very thing I do not want *to do,* I agree with the Law, *confessing* that the Law is good.

Rom 7:17 So now, no longer am I the one doing it, but sin (nature) which dwells in me.

Singular use often points to the whole of the OSN.

The Apostle Paul 20 years into his ministry is dealing with sin….what do you think about that…how do you think that strikes the legalistic teachers of our day that say they live a life of sinless perfection?

/Rom 7:18 For I know **that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh**; for the willing is present in me, but the doing of the good *is* not.\ REPEAT ELABORATE

This is a direct statement about the OSN.

Rom 7:19 For the good that I want, I do not do, but I practice the very evil that I do not want. ANYONE RELATE TO THAT?

Why do we have this struggle? Why is Paul saying this…the greatest Bible teacher next to TLJC….is plainly stating that after salvation there is a struggle with personal sins.

/Rom 7:20 But if I am doing the very thing I do not want, I am no longer the one doing it, **but sin which dwells in me**.\ DWELLS IN ME!!! TWO NATURES!

Rom 7:21 I find then the principle that evil is present in me, the one who wants to do good.

Rom 7:22 For I joyfully concur with the law of God in the inner man,

Rom 7:23 but I see a different law in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin which is in my members.

Rom 7:24 Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death?

Rom 7:25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin.

Think about what Paul is saying here as a mature pastor teacher and a chosen Apostle by God…20 years into his walk with Christ.

Turn to John chapter 13.

/The Old Sin Nature was dealt with permanently on the Cross, ensuring eternal security and the Righteousness of Christ in our NEW nature. We are given access to our divine nature in time so we can stay inside the plan of God in a corrupt world system.\

It is a permanent status that we will live in during eternity.

But our free will in time plays a role in what we do while we are here on earth…free will is offered inside or outside the PPOG. Bel or Unbel free will plays an important role in our life.

John chapter 13 is showing us the last supper which makes it even more important to understand what TLJC was teaching in that moment.

Jhn 13:5 Then He (Jesus) poured water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples’ feet and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded.

Jhn 13:6 So He came to Simon Peter. He said to Him, “Lord, do You wash my feet?”

Jhn 13:7 Jesus answered and said to him, “What I do you do not realize now, but you will understand hereafter.”

Jesus is telling them that once the HS descends upon the early church this will all make sense.

/Jhn 13:8 Peter said to Him, “Never shall You wash my feet!” Jesus answered him, “If I do not wash you, you have no **part** (*meros*) with Me.”\

MER-US meaning - being close or intimate or share with something or someone.

Nothing to do with salvation but certainly being close what we would say fellowship.

Jhn 13:9 Simon Peter said to Him, “Lord, *then wash* not only my feet, but also my hands and my head.”

/Jhn 13:10 Jesus said to him, “He who **has bathed**  (*louō*) needs only to **wash** (*niptō*) his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all *of you.*”\

LOU-OH means- to fully wash clean, a full body bath…salvation.

NIP-TOE means-a ceremonially washing of hands feet or face. It is very focused and focused on just certain areas.

This Royal Family is what we term rebound or naming and citing your sin to wash the sin off that comes from our contact with worldly things.

Then notice TLJC points directly to salvation concerning Judas Iscariot.

Jhn 13:11 For He knew the one who was betraying Him; for this reason He said, “Not all of you are clean.”

As we look at the washing ritual TLJC teaches us… I ask that we now bring into remembrance our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the night Jesus was so bitterly betrayed He took the bread and said this bread is the symbol of my body which will be broken for you….in remembrance of our Lord let us eat the bread.

In the same manner…Jesus picked up the cup and said, this cup is a symbol of my blood which is a new and everlasting covenant.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup we bring the Lord Jesus Christ into remembrance and in doing so we fulfill the one ritual that is specifically designated to the CA Bels.

Let us drink this cup.

Let us pray.