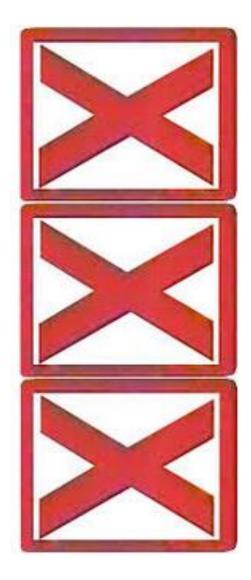
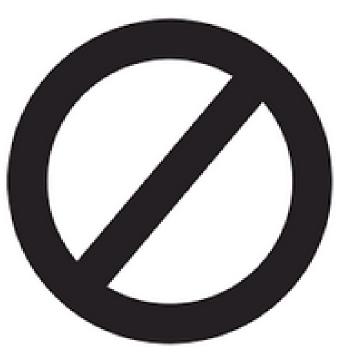
Evangelign

Week 6: What God Has Said (About What Christ Did) Feb 12th Worship Center, 10:45am

Their <u>sinfulness</u>, in relationship to Christ.



Their <u>inability</u>, to meet the mark of Christ.



What God has done for us through Christ.

What God promises to do with those in Christ.

Last Week...

There are those who are willing to admit there is a God, and that they have gravely offended that God...and therefore try and try in their own strength, according to their own ideas to make a way of escape...typically based on their ability to be good enough to appease God.

Last Week: Man cannot be good enough according to his own effort, or own ability, in order to be acceptable to God.

Last Week: God will *never* accept anyone according to their ideas or their ways of how to come to him.

Last Week: Man is a sinner, separated from God, and utterly helpless and unable to save himself.

We must conclude with Paul: "There is no one righteous, not even one; there is no one who understands; there is no one who seeks God. All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one...they way of peace they do not know... And no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law..." Romans 2:11-12, 17, 20

Last Week: God only accepts what God does, because only what God does is holy and perfect in everything always.

Last Week: Man needs God to do something for him if he is to be saved. Man needs God to offer a way to be acceptable and made right.

What God has done for us through Christ.

Mankind has many problems. The 1st is an <u>access problem</u>.

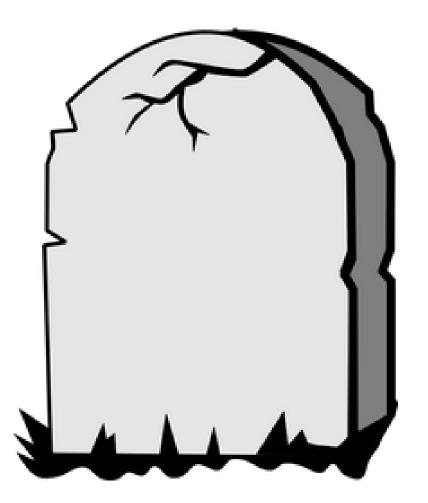


Man cannot make a way for himself to be holy enough, through obedience to the law. But through Christ, there is a way to righteousness, apart from having to be good enough.

1. God has made a way for sinful people to have the righteousness of God.

But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. Romans 3:21-22

Mankind has many problems. The 2nd is a <u>death debt problem</u>.

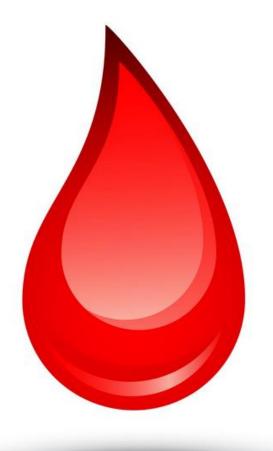


Man owes God death because of his sin. The death must be paid for. Sinful man's only option is to pay via eternal death in hell. Christ's death however pays that death debt.

2. God, in his love, gave Christ to <u>die</u> as a <u>replacement</u> for sinners.

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:6-8

Mankind has many problems. The 3rd is a <u>blood sacrifice</u> problem.



Man owes God a blood sacrifice. Since the blood of animals is only temporary and cannot truly remove sin, man needs a permanent blood sacrifice, which is provided in Christ.

Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins. Hebrews 9:22

3. God put forward Christ as an atoning <u>blood</u> <u>sacrifice</u> for our sins.

God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished—he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus. Romans 3:25-26

Mankind has many problems. The 4th is a <u>law requirement problem</u>.



Even with our death debt paid, we still have not meet the perfect requirements of the law. God sent Christ to be a perfect, law abiding, substitute.

4. God sent Christ to meet the <u>requirements</u> of the <u>law</u>, in us.

For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us... Romans 8:3-4

Mankind has many problems. The 5th is a <u>wrath of God problem</u>.

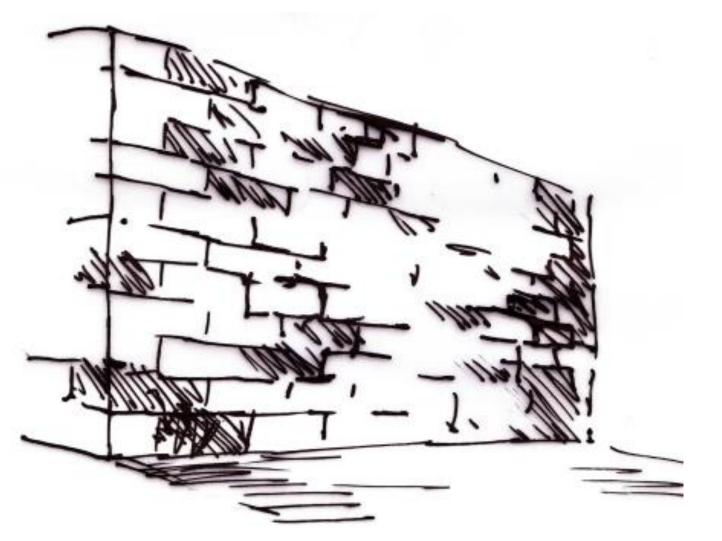


Man's sin has placed him under the terrible wrath of God. Through Christ, God was able to fully satisfy the holy, just and righteous demands of his wrath against sin.

5. God sent Christ to appease the wrath of God against sinners.

Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions--it is by grace you have been saved. Ephesians 2:3-5

Mankind has many problems. The 6th is a <u>separation problem</u>.

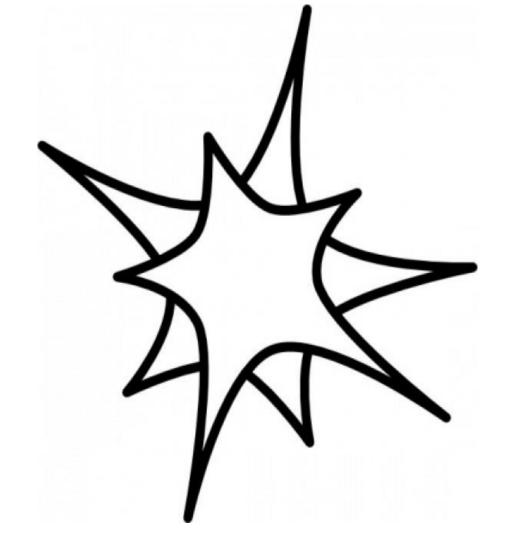


Man's sin has separated him from God. Until Christ, sinful man could not come into the presence of God and live. But Christ has brought us near to God and we can enter 'boldly' into his presence.

6. God <u>brought</u> us <u>back</u> to himself by making us right through Christ.

Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault. Colossians 1:22

Mankind has many problems. The 7th is a <u>righteousness</u> problem.

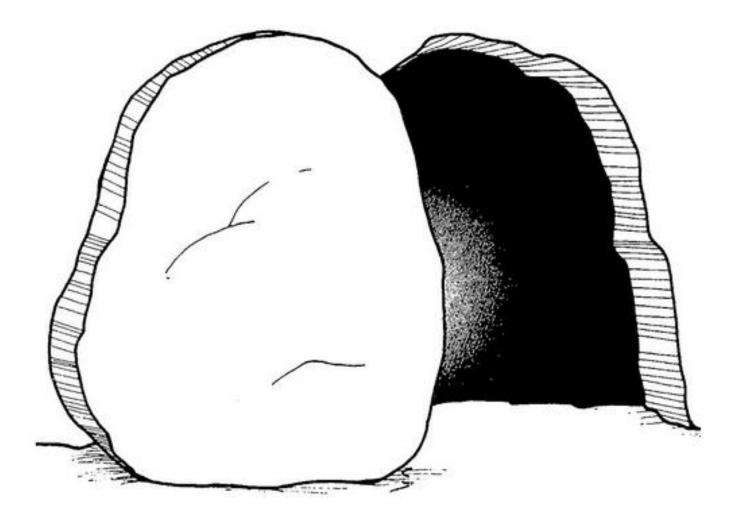


We not only have a sin problem, but also a righteousness problem. We have sin and we lack righteousness. His death covered our sin and his resurrection provided our righteous standing.

7. God raised Jesus from the dead in order to give us his righteousness, and prove us right before himself.

...God will credit righteousness--for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. He was handed over to die because of our sins, and he was raised to life to justify us before God. Romans 4:24

Mankind has many problems. The 8th is a <u>resurrection problem</u>.

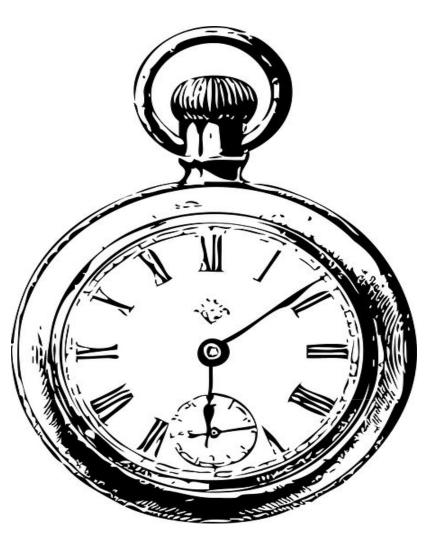


We not only have a death problem, but we have a resurrection problem...even thought our death debt is paid, how are we able to live again once we've physically died?? Christ's death gives us victory over the grave.

8. God raised Jesus from the dead in order to give us <u>victory over the grave</u>.

O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" For sin is the sting that results in death, and the law gives sin its power. But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:55-57

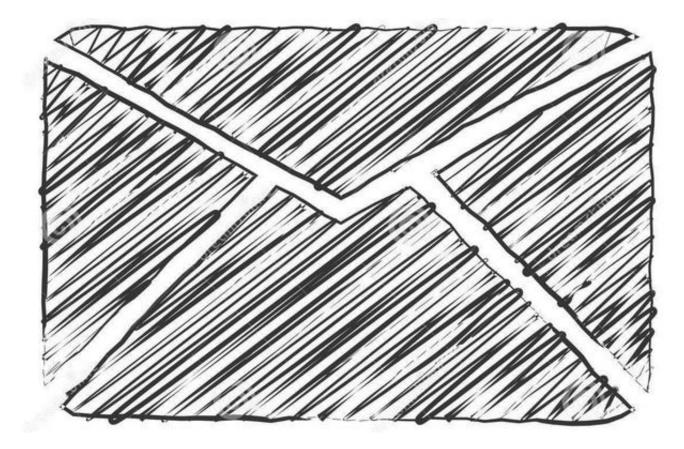
Mankind has many problems. The 9th is an <u>eternal problem</u>.



Our next problem is that our death sentence was eternal & everlasting. So the solution cannot be temporary or partial. It must last forever and ever! 9. God sent Jesus to give us permanent victory over the infinitude of hell, through eternal life.

For it is My Father's will that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day... God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 6:40, 3:16

Mankind has many problems. The 10th is a <u>response</u> problem.



Our final problem is that these wonderful provisions accomplished by Christ are only promised to those who respond.

10. God sent Jesus to give us an opportunity to be saved.

God has provided a salvation sufficient for all... but it's benefits are only for those who believe.

Man has to believe what God has said about the problem and must believe in the **power** in God's provision and the trustworthiness of his promises!

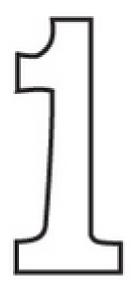
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Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. John 3:18





There are *certain truths* that an unbeliever must hear, understand and believe about what God has said about *what he has done for us through Christ.*



It appears that the *major truths* that someone must hear, understand and believe about CHRIST should be the truths that address the *major problems* that man has because of sin!



People must begin to understand and believe in the sin conquering power of God, through Christ's actions on our behalf. They must trust in the power it provides over the consequences of sin and death.



People must begin to understand and believe in the saving promises of God, regarding Christ's actions on our behalf. They must trust in what God says will be true of those who believe in what he has done.



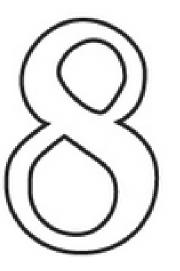
If someone is to be saved, **they must have <u>faith</u>** (confidence in the truthfulness & trustworthiness) **in the things that God has said** regarding what Christ accomplished with his death-burial-resurrection!



If someone is to be saved, **they must have heard & understood the things that God has said** regarding what Christ accomplished with his death-burial-resurrection!



If someone is to be saved, someone knowledgeable must have <u>told them</u> what it is that God has said regarding what Christ accomplished with his death-burial-resurrection!



Our job then is **to be well versed in the things that God has said** concerning the power and promises behind the death-burial-resurrection of Jesus.