

Sermon Notes

A Deadly Mixture - Mark 2:22

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I. Introduction

- a. how would you define God's glory... what is the *fullness of His person with nothing hidden and the entirety of who He is clearly seen...* God's glory is simply defined by all His goodness...
Exo 33:16-23... "*show me Your glory... I will make all My goodness pass before you...*"
tuwb... good, goodness; beauty, joy, prosperity; good in the widest sense; no good withheld...
- b. remember our primary need... to hear and believe the New Covenant gospel...
Mark 16:15... "*go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation...*"
Acts 20:24... "*my purpose... ministry I received... testify to gospel of God's grace...*"
Rom 10:14-17... "*not all obeyed gospel... faith comes by hearing... hearing message about Christ...*"
1Cor 1:17... "*Christ sent me to preach gospel... so cross will not be emptied of effect...*"
2Cor 4:3-4... "*devil... blinded minds of unbelievers from seeing... gospel of goodness...*"
Gal 1:6-11... "*amazed you are turning away from the gospel... not that there is another...*"
1Thess 1:5... "*gospel did not come in word only... but in power, in HS, with assurance...*"
2Thess 2:14... "*called you thru this gospel... so you might obtain goodness of Christ...*"
Tyndale... *Gospel, that which maketh a man's heart glad and maketh him sing, dance, leap for joy.*
- c. bible is divided into two parts... OT and NT... testament is Latin for Greek covenant... more correct translation would be Old Covenant and New Covenant... gospel of grace began with NC...
Eph 3:2... "*the dispensation of God's grace given to me for you...*"
Heb 9:11-28... "*mediator of new covenant... where a will exists... death of one who made it must be established... a will is only valid when people die... He appeared one time by sacrifice of Himself...*"
diateke... *arrangement; disposition of earthly possessions after a death; covenant, testament...*
- d. OC of law had glory/goodness... NC of grace overflows with glory/goodness... Jesus died to give you a NC inheritance... but you get to choose which one you want to live under... pray...
Rom 8:17-32... "*heirs of God... co-heirs with Christ... freely given all things...*"
2Cor 3:7-12... "*if ministry of death chiseled on stone came with goodness... how will ministry of HS not have more goodness... if ministry of condemnation had goodness... ministry of righteousness overflows with even more goodness... what had been good is not good now by comparison of the goodness that surpasses it... if what was fading away was good... what endures will be more good...*"

II. Deadly Mixture

- a. God doesn't want us to focus on OC rules, law... wants our focus on NC grace...
Col 2:17... "*these rules are only a shadow of what was to come... reality is Christ...*"
Heb 10:1... "*law is only a shadow of good things to come... not the reality... it can never perfect...*"
nomos... *any command, precept, law whatsoever; Mosaic law context, volume, content; entire OT...*
- b. law is holy, righteous, good... can't change your heart... just exposes it... law is not meant to, and can't, change behavior permanently... purpose is to expose and increase sin... show need of Savior...
Rom 3:19-26... "*purpose of law is to keep people from having excuses... show entire world guilty before God... no one justified by works of the law... knowledge of sin comes thru the law...*"
Rom 5:20... "*law came along to multiply sin... where sin multiplied, grace multiplied even more...*"
Rom 7:12-13... "*law is holy, righteous, good... sin produced death in me thru what was good...*"
Gal 3:19-26... "*why was law given... to show people their sins... guardian until Christ came...*"
1Tim 1:8-11... "*law is good when used correctly... law is not meant for the righteous...*"
- c. what did you want to do when you saw *wet paint* signs... what is your cruise set at when speed limit is 65... when someone says *don't*, do you... rules increase our desire to break them...
Rom 7... "*sin aroused by law... sin, seizing an opportunity thru the commandment, produced in me coveting of every kind... alive apart from law... when commandment came, sin sprang to life...*"

- d. share a radical idea... remove rules, remove rebellion... no rules, no temptation... last week when *wet paint* signs weren't up... did you have any desire to touch those areas of the building...
Gen 3:1-5... "*did God really say you must not eat from any of the trees in the garden...*"
1Cor 6:12; 10:23... "*everything is permissible, but not everything is beneficial... everything is permissible, but not everything builds up... don't seek your own good, but the good of others...*"
- e. *that's nuts, remove rules, people will go crazy*... true for world, not true for believers... everything is permissible... if it's not, it's not freedom... remove law, add grace... sin loses force and power...
Rom 6:1-15... "*should we continue in sin so grace may multiply... absolutely not, how can we who have died to sin still live in it... sin will not rule over you because you are not under law, but grace...*"
Rom 7:8... "*apart from the law, sin is dead...*"
nekros... *one that has breathed his last; inactive; destitute of force, power; inoperative...*
Titus 2:11-12... "*grace has appeared... instructing us to deny sin... live godly lives...*"
- f. have trouble believing all this... believing God is always good... because we haven't been taught how to do one of the most important things for all believers... rightly divide the covenants...
2Tim 2:15... "*worker who has no need to be ashamed... rightly dividing word of truth...*"
Heb 7-8-9-10... "*better covenant established on better promises... I will make a NC, not according to the covenant I made with their fathers... Jesus is the mediator of a New Covenant... the first is obsolete, old, vanishing away... He takes away the first to establish the second...*"
- g. etp tells us God kicked Adam and Eve out of garden because a *Holy God can't be in the presence of sinful man* (Hab 1:13)... are you sure... it was actually protection, not punishment... God didn't leave them... He came to them in the midst of sin... talked to them... sacrificed to clothe them... if they had eaten from tree of life... been in state of sin, sickness, disease forever... totally separated from God...
Gen 3:8-23... "*man heard God walking in garden and they hid... where are you... the Lord made clothing out of skins... and He clothed them... man must not reach out and take from the tree of life, eat, and live forever... so He sent him away from garden... placed angels to guard the tree of life...*"
- h. talk a lot about God's wrath and punishment... less about His love, grace, mercy... personally talked with Cain (murder)... Noah (drunk)... Abraham (liar)... David (adultery)... Jesus hung around sinners, so does His Father... God is not repulsed or disgusted by sin... He became it so you could be set free...
Luke 7:34... "*Son of Man is... a friend of tax collectors and sinners...*"
2Cor 5:21... "*He became sin... so we might become righteousness of God in Christ...*"
- i. remember law increases sin... because sins before the law were left unpunished... people developed idea that behavior didn't matter... depravity, disease, death spread... entire body was at risk... only cure was to reveal how *un-godlike* we were... so He gave the law... exposing our need for a Savior...
Rom 3:25; 5:13... "*sin was in world before law... not charged to a person when there is no law...*"
- j. relationship with God needed to be restored... can't be done thru behavior modification (law)... only takes one sin to fail... done inwardly thru heart transformation (grace)... impossible thru our efforts...
Matt 23:27... "*they are like whitewashed tombs... beautiful outside... filled on inside with impurity...*"
Rom 3:21-28... "*a man is justified by faith... apart from works of the law...*"
2Cor 3:18... "*gazing at goodness of the Lord... transformed into same image... by HS...*"
Gal 2:16-21... "*do not set aside grace... if righteousness is thru law... Jesus died in vain...*"
James 2:10... "*whoever keeps the entire law... yet fails in one point... is guilty of all...*"
- k. when we believe works makes us acceptable... suffering and pain confuses us... *why would God do this to me, I'm a good person*... law was babysitter to guide us until Christ came... now live by HS...
Gal 3:21-25... "*the law was our guardian until Christ came... no longer under a guardian...*"
paidagogos... *exercise general supervision; responsible for moral and physical well-being...*
Gal 5:19-26... "*works of the flesh are... fruit of the Spirit is... follow Spirit's leading in every area...*"
- l. most don't live under 100% law... but under deadly mixture of law and grace... where neither works... cross changed everything... rightly divide truth and you'll begin to see how good God is... pray...
Mark 2:21-22... "*no one puts new wine into old wineskins... will burst skins and you'll lose both...*"
Gal 4:21-31... "*Hagar represents OC... Sarah represents NC... drive out slave and son... never heir...*"
Col 2:20-23... "*rules are human teachings... seem wise... provide no help in conquering evil desires...*"
Heb 7:12-25... "*better hope introduced... draw near to God... able to save those who come to Him...*"