

Romans # 091

“An Offer to God, He can't Refuse”

*‘Or dumping the first husband for the Second!’*

*Romans 6:19-23 Hebrews 12:1-3*

*Ephesians 1:15-21; 3:16-19*

*Philippians 1:9-11 Colossians 1:9-12*

Be motivated to learn of God Avoid distractions Understand Believe Meditate on  
Apply Repeat!

The key to experiential victory over sin is fourfold:

1. know
2. believe
3. count or consider
4. offer

The work of Jesus Christ along with the ministry of the Holy Spirit make it possible for us to serve God with the same fervor that we formerly served the idols of money and other lusts.

It's a process, not a once and for all choice of complete sanctification where sin no longer tempts us.

Slavery to the sin nature brings discipline from the justice of God and slavery to God's righteousness brings blessing and promotion from the justice of God.

When we break the maturity barrier, righteousness demands blessing and justice provides by pouring blessing through the grace pipeline and that's when God is glorified by our lives.

Grace blessing from the justice of God is insulated against human legalism; therefore grace blessing glorifies God.

*So, mankind follows the trends; slavery to impurity of personal sin and to good and evil or lawlessness but salvation through faith in Jesus Christ changes all that and the change is not death but divorce.*

At salvation, the believer becomes a slave to imputed righteousness and at maturity, he becomes a slave to the sanctification experiential righteousness of God.

And there is no possibility of blessing from God through the grace pipeline protected with divine integrity because God's righteousness must be on the receiving end and it's not imputed until we believe in Jesus Christ.

Imputed righteousness at salvation provides potential for great blessing from God in time and even greater blessing from God in eternity.

*We as believers, have the opportunity in time to place our body-parts under orders as slaves of the righteousness of God, resulting in experiential sanctification.*

The laws of divine establishment are for the orderly function and survival of the human race during human history or the period of the angelic dispute.

This freedom of choice and right to live gives the human race the right to make decisions and pursue a course of action called the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of

happiness, provided that it doesn't violate criminal or common law.

While there are variations in human abilities; some inherent and some acquired, all members of the human race are free to believe in or reject Jesus Christ as Savior.

**Every system of discipline has the principle recognition of authority and when you fail to recognize that authority, you suffer when that authority disciplines you, or you or disciplined by rejection of that authority.**

Lack of respect for authority not only destroys capacity for life but also capacity for happiness.

*The child who constantly thinks his parent is unfair because he's disciplined him is a child who's not going to have a very happy life.*

We meet authorities at different points and we either become great people or those who will never be happy, who will be neurotic, psychotic, miserable or will come to a tragic end because of rejection of authority.

**Lack of repercussions becomes arrogance which becomes instability, so when you are a law unto yourself, there's no way you can survive the traumatic experiences of life and you will make your own misery as long as you live.**

Any time you let anyone control you, you're letting them make you their slave.

*We then think, if the circumstances are positive, we're happy and if the circumstances are negative,*

*we're sad and on an emotional rollercoaster because we've tied our emotional well-being to variables.*

**There are no lasting benefits in our first marriage from birth to salvation.**

The believer receives the action of shame from a knowledge of biblical truth.

*No sin will ever be judged at the final judgment.*

We have a contrast between unsaved and saved mankind; a difference of rulership and lordship.

**Salvation is a transfer of slavery from the first husband; the sin nature, to the blessing and security of the second husband, Jesus Christ, who has integrity.**

The judicial imputation of God's righteousness and the real imputation of eternal life to its divinely prepared home; regeneration, brands the believer as a slave to the second husband forever.

**The benefit of slavery to God is experiential sanctification or maturity adjustment to Him.**

Spiritual benefits and blessings from God come from being slaves to Him.

*At the end of life on earth, we experience eternal life and blessings in time become the blessings of eternity.*

**Eternal life was made to be enjoyed, not simply admired; so don't put your salvation on the shelf and do whatever you want, saying goodbye to God for now, until eternity.**

While the sin nature simply pays a subsistence allowance to its slave, God in grace gives a multitude of grace benefits to His slaves.

*Wages imply earning or deserving something;*

*grace benefits are unearned sustenance.*

**Hell is earned and deserved but Heaven cannot be earned or deserved; Hell depends on the work of man; Heaven depends on the work of God.**