

*Resting in the Finished Work  
of Christ*

**Power in life through the  
gift of Righteousness**

From Curse to No curse to

Blessings

Universal symbol of  
Christianity

– first cent – fish – why not  
cross?

Now cross – forgot how **ugly** –  
chair – **main purpose** – why  
**use?** Christ turned – **reverse**  
around

Most ugly instrument of torture  
– invented – maxi pain and fear  
– slow death – few days

Like – using elec chair – hang  
man's noose as – company logo  
Why – main purpose why came

Root cause of prob – man heart  
– independent – designed –

partnership – lost

everything problem: God  
provides soln -independent of  
God - – lost source of life  
wisdom power for living

Jesus came take the penalties

for all our sins– back-to God

– can't **just** forgive?

**Back** – took our pain sickness

**Head** – took our worries

**Hand** – work of hand blessed

**Feet** – heal – walk w God

**Heart** – crushed by our sins –

rejected - accepted

Sin offering – **not sweet** -  
reminds

Reminds God of sins

Burn offering – **sweet**

reminds of perfection of Son

*Eph 5:2*

And walk in love, as Christ also  
has loved us and given Himself  
for us, an offering and a **sacrifice**  
**to God** for a sweet-smelling  
aroma

TO GOD we NOT ONLY

forgiven, cleansed - we even  
smell good!

Through the blood, we smell  
better than durian, miles away  
Perfect and sweet aroma unto God

What is this ... aroma? R

*2 Cor 5:21*

21 God made him who had no  
sin to be sin for us, so that in him we  
might become the righteousness of  
God.

**Had no sin** – did he do any sin –  
but he **received** our sins - **curse**

**Do we hav any r?** no – **receive r** –  
did we receive blessings – yes

**Can meh?** Judge paid rental –  
embarrass client

How does God discipline us when we sin?

Even when we sin – God still

love?

Does not meant wont **discipline**

– kids

Love my kids - I spank – how  
discipline

Primary way – **Word**

Send sickness? Insult char -  
inject

Often, God does not have to

chastise us – the

consequences of our actions  
will be sufficient chastisement

JACOB

– can run from people that won't  
do harm on him – peo he hurt -  
own fam member but met bigger  
match – Laban – cheated him  
10 times in 20 yrs

Story of **prodigal son** Luke 15 13

- wasted

Wasted himself in wild living  
God hates sins – why – loves us –  
sin will destroy us  
Found himself in a pig sty

**Not just forgiven - Come home**

**expect a piece of bread – slap -**  
**slave**

– given more than enough bread -  
fatten calf – Kobe beef – melts in  
mouth

Expect **slap** – kisses all over

Expect be a **slave** – made a son

How can you **run** away from a  
God like that

*Rom 5:17*

For if, by the trespass of the one  
man, death reigned through that  
one man, how much more will  
those who **receive** God's **abundant**  
**provision of grace** and of the **gift**  
of righteousness **REIGN** in life  
through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Good Receivers

Your **kid** receive from grandma

– oh why waste?

What kids think – not worth it –  
no wonder – easily gave body to  
jerks – not value

**Never call kids – rubbish –**

**loosing business**

Remember healing tongue is a  
tree of life, perverseness in it  
breaks the spirit

**Best thing – thank you and**

**enjoy** – use it

GIFT OF R

God **didn't** make you as r as

**Abraham, Moses, David –**

think heroes

think of all heroes – Billy,

Renhaired,

himself

Reign IN LIFE – not after life

Not just forgiven totally -

release **POWER**

but we have the very  
righteousness of Christ! When  
we have this rev – release  
tremendous power into our daily  
life:

**I. Power to build good  
relationships**

*Romans 15:7*

7 Accept one another, then, just  
as Christ accepted you, in order to  
bring praise to God.

How does guilt damage relationships?

Guilt - damage your rel – why?

Harsh & critical like

**Pharisees – hard? Hard on**

themselves – think God is hard on  
them – got to work work work -

**frust**

Harsh on peo – think God is harsh on  
them – press peo down – make  
themselves feel good

Spoil and indulge in people

Guilt – buy a lot of things

Fear **Always** worries – if know

me - don't like - reject me – stay  
always in a **distance** – stuck past  
- **CAR**

Always worried – what if someone  
finds out – know truth about me  
Not like me – reject me  
Arthur Coyan, 8

of the Sherlock Holmes, played a  
joke on some important people of  
society – 8 – all is found out, flee at  
one - 24

Sent an anonymous note to 8  
prominent – all is found out, flee at  
one

Just want to see what happened  
24 hrs – all left the country

STUCK in the **past**

Car – looking back – can't drive

Stressed over what people says or  
think or do

Some people – **praise 9** - crushed

Praise – cloud 9

Criticise – crushed

Cannot **receive** correction –

**ASSO** who you are w **what** you  
do

Most successful business – secure  
in what they are – Xians of all –  
should be the most secure

– great PR dept – listen to customers  
feed backs

Secure in what they do

*Eph 1:6*

... to the praise of the glory of His  
grace, by which He has made us  
accepted in the Beloved. (NKJ)

**Accepted:** *charitoo – grace, favour,  
accepted*

You are as **fully** accepted as Jesus  
was

If you have your **worth** in  
Christ – **praise** – tear – why  
**bother**: sees –  
God **loves** me: yr prob  
– whatever – praise – thank  
you  
Tear – it's OK  
Why bother – sees  
The One that sees perfectly –  
loves you infinitely  
**Confident** - God loves -  
accepts me, I love me, if you  
don't  
– your problem

**Enjoy** blessings and things but  
don't **GET** their **image** from  
**things** – bags, clothing, car,  
people you asso - sorry  
Sorry for you – asso your image  
w a piece of metal  
Some – drive a big car – feel  
bigger – friends – just piece of  
steal – Japan Korean or Ger –  
still steel  
All these are OK – if don't tie  
self esteem to it

**GUILT?** - **Suspicion** – feel not  
forgiven - people **talking**  
about them – feel people not  
trusting you – won't trust  
people

**ANALYSE** every word and  
action – better than –  
meditate on Scriptures  
**If secure in Christ** – always  
believe the best – you know  
Christ sees best in you

**Ps 109:26-29**  
26 Help me, O LORD my God;  
Save me according to Your  
lovingkindness.

27 And let them know that this  
is Your hand;  
You, LORD, have done it.  
28 They will curse but you will  
bless;

When they arise, they shall be  
ashamed,  
But Your servant shall rejoice.

## 2. Power to receive faith for **healing and boldness in prayers**

**Romans 8:32**

He who did not spare His own Son,  
but delivered Him up for us all, how  
shall He not with Him also **freely**  
give us **all** things? NKJV

**Freely – nor your righteousness**

Not your r – did or didn't do

**Jack - pianist**

**70%** - in hospital – can leave if  
know – guilt forgiven

**Pharisees** not healed but tax  
collectors and sinners

Pray – conscious of **yr own r** –

**DOUBTS - long? Fast? - never  
assurance - 6**

**If conc** on your good works – how  
long you pray, how much you fast  
– never has assurance

These are important – not basis  
why God answer – otherwise, ...

Oh I spend – **whole** night praying –  
God will answer my prayer -  
whisper

D whisper - only 6 hr – not 9  
so and so prayed 9

Lost faith to receive

**As teens - read many books on  
prayer – BOUNDS - end up  
LOSING** faith – very  
complicated – too many points

Do this that – specific

What does it mean to pray in the Name  
of Jesus?

More important – aware – **REL**  
**KNOW** – abba father

Not just take the name as a  
magical formula

Like open sesame – Acts – Jewish  
exorcist – run out naked

Otherwise, we can be easily  
distracted all kinds silly  
concerns: **J of N – Yeshua**

When we pray in name of Jesus –  
not using a magical charm – open  
sesame

Some powerful prayer **didn't  
end w the FORMULA - und**

Acts 14 9, Paul saw faith in the  
man born lame, stand up – the  
guy jump. No mention of Jesus'  
name?

The guy has faith in Jesus!  
More important – understanding  
meaning

Not way you **PRONOUNCE** -

Praying on the **BASIS** of  
**Jesus' righteousness** and  
favour – nothing do - **ADD -  
minus**

Nothing you can do – add or  
minus – favour – righteousness  
**BOLD** Man from city – farm –  
bought a cow – more given

If I go to him and say – heal -  
preaching

I **preach**, therefore, have to heal  
throat

I frustrate the grace of God  
Don't earn it

**All things - Is healing more  
valuable than Son - R**

**Heb 4:16**

Let us therefore come **BOLDLY**  
to the throne of grace, that we may  
obtain mercy and find grace to help  
in time of need. NKJV

**Name? Conscious** – through  
Him – removes all

**IMPERFECTIONS**

Not conscious of our sins Heb  
10:2

In Jesus – like going through a  
**FILTER – remove - add**  
Our imperfections removed and  
he

**Adds** his fragrance – made up  
defects – motive,

Sing or pray – out of **tune** – OK  
as long as – too loud **disturb**  
others

It didn't **disturb** – kids writes  
letters – never correct Eng –  
still keeps those letters -  
**KEYS**

Keys to uni - cities – not placed  
prominently

Why – my kids - **rel**

**Throne of grace** – for those that  
don't made it – not those who  
thinks – have it all.

Tell him – yr **fear** – **struggles** –  
**frustrations** - worries –  
**imperfection - weakness**

**Psalms 109:10-13 ???**

10 May his children be wandering  
beggars;  
may they be driven from their ruined  
homes.

11 May a creditor seize all he has;  
may strangers plunder the fruits of  
his labor.

12 May no one extend kindness to  
him

or take pity on his fatherless children.

13 May his descendants be cut off,  
their names blotted out from the next  
generation.

**Confused** – surely God won't  
**inspire** – why recorded

Many are confused that such a prayer  
should find its place in such a  
beautiful part of the Bible – the  
Psalms

Surely God didn't inspire such prayer  
and won't answer such a way, then  
Why God allow recorded

**Show** – come honesty - perfected

Show us the importance of coming to  
God with complete honesty sharing  
all our turmoil and frustrations  
Not a perfect pray but going through  
Christ, the prayer is perfected  
When a man's way is pleasing to the  
Lord, he can turn his enemies to be  
his friends

**Notice** – are not

Notice that those areas that David  
was honest to being before the Lord,  
the Lord helped him conquer all of it  
But there is one area that David  
didn't share to the Lord – struggles  
with lust and that is the area that he  
fell into sin.

## SIN CONSCIOUSNESS

**block** the blessings of God

Suffer – think - **reaping** the curses of your sins

No child – fornication? – squeeze neck

Couple without child came to a leader for prayer

Pas ask: fornication before marriage? Yes – that's why

What counsel! Feel like squeeze neck of the pas

Couple is in need – believe asked for forgiveness of the past – stand in faith

**Never assurance** – if depend on you

– I didn't fulfil conditions – I should have **done** this – that – love more – **didn't** do this – that – Jesus fulfil conditions:

Jesus **fulfilled** the conditions

### **2 Corinthians 1:20**

For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us. NKJV

### **3. Power to be transformed**

#### **Romans 9:30-33**

30 What shall we say then?

That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness of faith;

31 but Israel, pursuing the law of righteousness, has not attained to the law of righteousness. 32

Why? Because they did not **seek it by faith, but as it were, by the works of the law** . . . . NKJV

**Sincere** – if go western wall – wailing wall – web – put us to shame in their commitment and zeal

- see peo mourning and praying – dressed in black

no one can question them on sincerity

You can go - web site see

24 hr video

Many Christians makes same mistake

Jesus **plus Work**: don't smoke, drink, eat pork, **6 hrs** a day – give

Great – as long as – don't think – more sp – put you in a r rel w God

All these important – not **earn** r Proud of our keeping of laws – so spiritual

Tongue 5 hrs – see visions – don't eat pork – don't smoke gamble drink

If boast – John

you want to boast - boast of Christ John the Baptist

– no miracles – greatest prophet – point people

Galatians 3:10 For as many as are of the **works** of the **law** are under the curse

What is "of the works of the law"?

; for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them."

NKJV

Not talking about sins – **greatest problem** – **Pharisees** – tomb- **form**

Pharisees – trusting in their obedience – moral purity

Jesus – whitewash tombs – **form** – don't smoke – drink – eat

**Romans 6:14 For sin shall not be your master, because you are not under law, but under grace.**

Zaccheas ½ 4

½ to poor

cheated – return 4 fold

what changed a taker into a giver?

**Worthy?** Caught. Asked F?

Worthy? No – caught

Asked? No – offered

**Proof yourself first - wo**

Woman caught in adultery

Neither do I condemn, go and sin no more

We normally:

Proof yourself first than I will accept you

Was she transformed? **SURE**

Most amazing transformations: forgiven much

Ashley smith – hostage – 4 murder

**Ephesians 6:14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, NKJV**

How to deal with troubling evil thoughts?

**Only r** – can stand – his r

lf: your own r – your fasting, long prayers, serving - **target**

Worship – friend – sis - mum-law

Worship – think business

colleague that cheated you, mo in law that irritate you – anger rises up – wish them sick and die –

suddenly realise worship hall – can't worship – not worthy – sit down – what are you doing – d

whisper: go home – don't be a hypo

But if you are est in r of Christ – get behind me, I come not in my r but his

Because of what – our r – his r

**D put evil thots – make think – yours**

The devil will put bad thoughts in you and make you think that those thoughts are yours

If you have a bad thot towards anyone – even me your pastor –

**How can** have such bad thots – **die-lah I am cursed D: how can? I really love pastor**

**d put** bad thots in

Realise **not you** – not yours if don't dwell - **vulgar**

Same way: If someone say

**vulgar** word in your presence – you didn't say but just heard it – why should you be guilty and feel condemned - **Set you free**

**More focus – bind (Hockien mee)**

– **Used to – binding** every thot that comes the whole day –

End of time – only **exhausted** and still feeling **guilty**

Key – **ignore** – focus on his love and grace

**Ignore** - Just **PICT** blood cleansing all the time

Meditate on **burnt** offering - cross

Burnt – every morn and even - 9 am 3 pm

Jesus crucified at 9 and die at 3

**Sin** offering – not everyday

**EVERYDAY** – **morn - nite** - thank you for Jesus – he is my righteousness

True change is **effortless** – not **will** power

If will power – required will power to maintain it

God changes inside out