

“Justice Satisfied”

Turning To The Liberating Power Of The Cross...Every Day - Pt. 4

Deut. 16:18-20; 2 Thess. 1:5-10

We need to be biblical in the way we speak about the Christian life. The Gospel does not merely confront our wills with the raw demands of God’s law. It wins our hearts with the message of God’s goodness and love! It celebrates Jesus’ perfect legal obedience on behalf of his people. It announces that the legal penalties due to us were absorbed by him. Finally it reminds us of his Holy Spirit who enables us to do what is right. In a word, Jesus frees us from fear of God’s moral law to find *pleasure* in that law – it’s holy and righteous and good!

I. God magnifies his _____ – but never at the expense of his _____.

1. We may not pit God _____ against each other.
2. Do you believe the law is “holy, _____, and good” (Ro. 7:12)?
3. “Contrary to popular opinion with God there is no such thing as _____ . There is only justice.”

(Jerry Bridges, *The Gospel For Real Life* p. 43)

II. Jesus’ _____ obedience and physical _____ fully satisfy God’s justice.

1. The law contains _____ precepts and _____.
2. As _____ represented us in Eden, so _____ at the Cross.
3. Combat _____ with _____!

III. Look to the Cross where God’s _____ AND _____ are displayed.

1. Here there is no tension between _____ and _____.
2. Love and share the _____ of _____!
3. Preach the _____ to yourself _____.