

Remission, Propitiation, Redemption and Reconciliation

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Remission of sins is NOT the same as people's sins have already been forgiven personally (John 8:24). When something is in remission can it come back? (Hebrews 9:22) Were the sins of the Old Testament people in remission? (Hebrews 9:22) You don't need remission of sins; God took care of that already; you need a perfect CLEARING of sins (Hebrews 9:12). Big difference; remission of your sins has to do with God's propitiation of ALL sins from all time (1 John 2:1-2); you need eternal redemption (Hebrews 9:12). Remission of sins has nothing to do with a lost person being a sinner; but only God's means. It does not alter them personally until they receive God's righteousness (Romans 10:3-4) and make His propitiation theirs individually (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) by reconciliation.

Remission of sins is NOT personal forgiveness; and does not alter the sinner to make him a son of God. It must be personal; and therefore you must receive Jesus Christ personally (John 1:12-13) for your sins to be completely CLEANED and CLEARED (Revelation 1:5-6); ye must be born again (John 3:7)! You have to be altered from a sinner to a saint (Colossians 1:13). Water can never do this! It takes a PERSON to do this; His name is the Lord Jesus Christ (Acts 4:12)! The blood that Christ shed is on the altar of the heavens (Hebrews 9:23-26). That satisfied God's law (Romans 10:4); and all sins are now in remissions from that ONE sacrifice, forever (Hebrews 10:10-13). All sins are in a holding pattern; they are in waiting to see what YOU do with the Lord Jesus Christ to make those sins that are in remission completely and perfectly GONE! This happens when you become a son of God. While you are lost the remission is already accomplished but it is not effectual for the individual until you make it personal by receiving Jesus Christ (John 1:12-13). Only then can you become a son of God and no longer a sinner and an enemy of God (Romans 5:6-10). It is not a matter of what you do now concerning the law or outward things like water baptism; the issue is what you ARE. A sinner cannot wash their own sins away by water. Water is not sacred; and contains nothing in it to make you NOT a sinner. It cannot reach into your soul and

touch your soul; it can only clean your outward body temporarily; it cannot reach into your spirit and give it a spiritual birth. Ye must be born again (John 3:7).

Water baptism does not do this and has no part in this operation of God. It is a first step in following the Lord after salvation (Acts 8:35-38). It is the identification with the Lord Jesus Christ in His death, burial and resurrection. As you are to be buried with Him in baptism; so walk in newness of life (Romans 6:4). Some people get caught up on passages that say “water” but not “baptism” and then on other passages that say “baptism” and not “water”. And then make both say water baptism! Foolishness!

It is NOT that confusing. God made it simple so you can get it. Notice this passage has all ONE syllable words: 1 John 5:12, “He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.” You MUST have the Son to have eternal life (1 John 5:11). And when you get it, it is ETERNAL and you will NEVER PERISH (John 10:28).

If you are saved you have been translated from the power of darkness into the kingdom of God’s dear Son. Because we have REDEMPTION through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins!

Colossians 1:12-22, “Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven. And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight...”

Notice that having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him to RECONCILE ALL THINGS unto Himself; by the Lord Jesus Christ. Not just your soul! ALL THINGS! The curse is lifted IN CHRIST! All three curses! But you

MUST BE IN HIM by faith and afterwards walk by faith; then rooted and built up IN HIM; and stablished in the FAITH; ABOUNDING therein.

Colossians 2:6-15, “As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power: In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.”

But beware philosophy, vain deceit, tradition of men, rudiments of the world, and ANYTHING NOT AFTER CHRIST! You are COMPLETE IN HIM!

If you are saved you have a born again spirit being quickened together WITH Him; and an operation of God took place in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ made without hands; Blotting OUR the HANDWRITING of ORDINANCES of the law nailing it to His CROSS. The Lord Jesus Christ triumphing over it all in His death, burial and resurrection and NOTHING can come close to adding to this.

