

Series: The doctrine of Salvation (2/20/18)

Title: Imputation

Text: (Phil 1:18-19)

Adoption: *God, placing a believer, as an adult son & full heir, into His family, & giving him access to all the privileges that go with it.*

Regeneration: *To Be Given or imparted life.*

When we are born again, we Receive the life & Nature of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Justification: *To be pronounced righteous.*

The Legal & Judicial Act, whereby, God declares the believer righteous in Jesus Christ.

The two aspects of Justification:

1. The forgiveness, remission, & removal of the believer's sin.
2. The imputation of the Righteousness of Christ.

Imputation: *Charged to the account of; attributed to; ascribed to..*

A. Definition:

To Put something on a persons account or charge.

To Reckon something to an individual

(Phil 4:18) *"Put that my account"*

3 Aspects of Imputation:

Adam's sin was Imputed to all mankind:

The World's sins Imputed to Jesus Christ:

"Righteousness of God" Imputed to the believer:

I. Adam's sin was Imputed to all mankind:

Adam Disobeyed God in (Gen 3:6)

He brought death upon Himself & all his descendants.

Adam represents the entire human Race.

(Rom 5:12) *Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:*

We die, not because of our sin, but because of Adam's 1 Sin in Eden.

(Rom 5:13-14) They did not die because of personal sins, but because of Adam's sin.

Since Adam is the Father of the human race.

God attributes Adam's sin to all his offspring.

When Adam sinned, we sinned. (Rom 3:23)

The Law brings about God's wrath, not redemption or His Blessing.

(Rom 4:15) *Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression.*

Transgression: the violation of a known law.

It condemns those who fail to keep its commandments perfectly.

It is impossible to be under the law and not be under the curse of the law.

This is NOT saying: where there is no law, then there is no sin.

An act CAN be inherently Wrong, even if there is no law against it.

It becomes a *Transgression* when a speed limit sign goes up. that says - 20mph.

The Jews thought they inherited the Blessing by having the law.

But all they inherited was Transgression.

God gave the Law that Sin might be seen as Transgression.

That sin might be seen in all its sinfulness.

(1 Cor 15:22) *For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.*

Adam & Jesus Christ are presented as Federal heads

They acted for other people.

All who R related to them are affected by their actions

(Rom 5:16) *And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.*

All the descendants of Adam die, b/c of his actions.

In Christ, All shall be made alive.

(Rom 5:17-19)

All born in Adam are Sinners and die.

All born of Christ are Righteous and alive.

This shows how the Head or Representative acts in Behalf of his offspring.

Since all are condemned by the actions of 1 Man.

All can be saved by the actions of 1 Man.

All that are born in Adam can be born again in Christ.

II. The World's sins Imputed to Jesus Christ:

The Primary reason Jesus Christ came into the world, was to die for Mankind's sins & take them away.

(John 1:29) *The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.* (John 1:35-36)

Where is the Lamb? Gospels - Here he is!

He was a fulfillment of the Passover Lamb.

Twice a day lambs were sacrificed Tabernacle/Temple

(Gal 1:4) *Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:*

Christ paid the price to free man from the power & penalty of sin.

(Gal 4:3,9, 24-25)

Christ came into the world to take upon Himself the Sin of all mankind.

The Gospel is the central theme of Galatians.

Judiazers were changing the message of the Gospel.
(Gal 5:1) *Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage*

Christ's Primary Reason for coming was to die for all the Sin of All Man Kind!
(1 Tim 1:15) *This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.*

(John 1:14) *And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace & truth.*

(John 14:9) *Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?*

(Heb 1:1)
Superior Prophet: (Heb 1:1-2) *God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things,*

Creator: (Heb 1:2b) *by whom also he made the worlds;*

Express Image: (Heb 1:3a) *Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person*

Exact Imprint: Character~Image
Jesus Christ is the exact representation of the very substance of God the Father.

Upholding: (Heb 1:3b) *upholding all things by the word of his power,*

(Col 1:17) *Consist:*
Holding & Carrying from one place to another.

Superior Priest: Jesus has a ministry as a priest.
(Heb 1:3b) *when he had by himself purged our sins,*

Reigning: Place of Honor-Proving He is equal with God.
(Heb 1:3c) *sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;*

(Heb 9:28) *So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.*

The Work of Christ is a completed work.

Final and Eternal.

He is now in heaven Interceding on our behalf.

3x times the word “*Appear*” is in Hebrews:

Three appearances of Christ in Hebrews: gives us a summary of the Ministry of Christ.

(Heb 9:26) He appeared to die in our place, To Put away sin.

(Heb 9:24) He appearing now in Heaven for us.

(Heb 9:28) Appearing again here in the clouds to take Christians home.

The 3 tenses of salvation is based on His finished work

(Heb 10:4-14)

(Vs 4)

Animal sacrifices can not completely free man from guilt.

This is a judicial forgiveness, not the removal of guilt from the human heart.

People lacked that inward witness of full and final forgiveness.

The Annual day of Atonement did not remit sins, but remind them of there sin.

Th Nations sins were covered, but not cleansed. Thousands of animal sacrifices could never have taken away sins, otherwise they would not have continued to offer them.

They covered sins, and postponed judgement.

But they could not accomplish a Once & For All Sacrifice for Sins.

(Vs 5,9) God provided the sacrifice, not man. Jesus sacrifice once for all.

(Ps 40:6-8) In His Incarnation.

Jesus is the fulfillment of the Old Covenant sacrifices.

(Heb 10:5) Christ is the “Prepared Body”

(Heb 10:6,8) God had no delight in their sacrifice, other than the obedient heart of the worshippers.

(Heb 10:10) The Effectiveness of the better sacrifice.

(Heb 10:11) They were never done.

Constant repetition proved there sacrifice took away sins.

(Heb 10:12) The One Sacrifice, satisfied the Law.

This is the Reason Christ Came!

(1 John 2:2) Voluntary sacrifice.

And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

God gave His son Voluntarily.

(John 3:16) The Extent of His love: The Whole World

Jesus Gave Himself willingly.

(John 10:18) *No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.*

(Rom 5:8) “*For Us*”

God placed all the sin of the world upon His own Son.

God treated His Son as a sinner.

“The cup”: God’s wrath and fury poured out upon sin.

(2 Cor 5:21) *For he (God the Father) hath made him (God the Son, Jesus Christ) to be sin for us (The believing, redeemed sinner) who knew no sin (Jesus Christ); that we (The believing, redeemed sinner) might be made the righteousness of God in him.*

(Rom 6:23) “*Gift of God*”

Since Adam was not Jesus’ father.

He received no sin from him.

But he died anyway because of Imputed sin.

Jesus had to die to pay for the Imputed Sin of all Men

(Rom 5:12) The Son of God dies for the imputed sins of mankind, so we could be given his righteousness.

We are Saved by Grace through Faith Alone, through Christ Alone.

(2 Cor 5:19-21) Leaves No Doubt that God Made Jesus to be sin!

19 *To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.*

20 *Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.*

21 *For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.*

God could have sent the entire to Hell and would have been JUST in doing so.

BUT God made Jesus to be sin in the world’s place.

Our sins were imputed, or put on Christ.

God placed His Wrath upon the Guiltless, so the Guilty could go free.

I don’t believe a loving God would send someone to hell.

(Jn 3:18) *He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.*

You Choose to Go to HELL

Those that refuse him must suffer for their own sins. (John 3:36)

(2 Thes 1:5-12) God will recompense (repay) affliction to the nonbeliever. (Vs 7-9)
God will recompense peace to the Believer.
The opposite of Tribulation.
Like the releasing of a bow string.

Illus: 2 famers, 1 saved, 1 lost.
The Atheist taunted the saved b/c his fields were bountiful, his family was not sick,
“Your God hasn’t been very good to you.”
God always pays people, but God doesn’t always pay his people in September.

(Recompense the Lost) Judgement in hell.

III. The Imputation Of the “Righteousness of God” to the believer:

The Believer is Justified with the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

The Believer is Declared Righteous, because God sees the Righteousness of Christ, imputed to their account.

All who believe on Him in the new birth will have the Righteousness of God imputed to them. (Rom 3:22)

If the Imputed sin of one man, condemned an innocent man to die, the death of this Righteous man is imputed to all who believe.

God treated His Son as a Sinner so He could treat the Sinner as His Righteous Son.

(1 Pet 2:24) *Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.*

Christ bore our sin in his own body on Calvary.
Our sins are imputed to Christ.
Christ’s Righteousness is imputed to the Believer.

There is More to Salvation than a little prayer.
Salvation cost Jesus everything.
Salvation is the Believing Sinner receiving everything that is Christ’s.