## Are You Really Born Of God? Part 2

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[0:00] Welcome. You're about to hear an inspirational message by David Entry. May your faith increase and your heart be stirred towards God as you listen to this life-transforming message.

Press subscribe so you're the first to know when the messages are released. Blessed are your ears for the things they hear. So last week I was talking about the made with free process.

Are you really born again? Are you really born of God? What are the four key rabbis? Repentance to leave, baptize, receive.

One more time. Repentance to leave, baptize, receive. What's the meaning of repent? Stop chewing it. Repentance in a real sense and an actual sense of the word means a you-turn.

So I'm going this way. Repentance means now I'm going this way. I've changed my direction. Repentance is you turn. You have turned your back against something.

And genuine repentance means that you acknowledge that this is sin. You are not happy that you did it. Or if you don't have that conviction, you can't really repent.

So repentance, what produces genuine repentance is the fact that you first of all know. Some people feel sorry because they were caught.

So if you were not caught, if you are not caught in the trouble, would you have repented? There's a difference between remorse and repentance.

Remorse is you feel very sorry because you were ashamed. You were caught. Or you feel sorry because it didn't work well. It didn't work out for you. You feel sorry that I shouldn't have done this.

Look at what it has costed me. No, that's remorse. Repentance is you feel sorry because God was not happy with it. You feel sorry because your lover said he didn't try for me.

[2:18] So repentance means that to repent, it means you have to feel sorry about what you did. Number two, what you have been doing. Number two, it means that you have to know.

Because you can't repent of something you don't know. You repent of the sin you know you shouldn't have done. So you know this is what I've been doing and this is what I'm stopping to do.

So God says no. I know what we are dealing with. And then repentance means you choose not to do it, to stop doing it.

So the sin God forgives is the sin we have repented of. It's not necessarily the sin we confess. You are confessing.

Confession, genuine confession means that I acknowledge that it is wrong. And I turn away from it. But you don't intend to turn away from it.

[ 3:26 ] And you are asking God to forgive you. Like what do you mean by that? Oh God forgive me for gossiping about that lady. Even though after church I am going to gossip about this one too.

I am not ready to stop the gossiping. But at least just when I do it then you forgive me. When I do it then okay God? If you don't do it, I won't serve you again. If you don't do it.

Some people, sometimes Satan can inspire you to say, If God doesn't do this thing, I will stop serving him. Stop. Even to say I will stop serving him is a sign that you are not serving him properly.

For that to enter your head. Can you ever get to a place where he said, You will stop being my mother. You can't stop that one.

So it's maybe he wasn't your mother. Because friends you can't stop. At the point in time the person wasn't your friend. Nobody was born with a friend. So he doesn't say that.

You make friends. So that's how you can lose them. And you can choose to eject them out of your lives. But not family.

You can't eject family. Your mother cannot change. Even though you are falling out with her, she cannot change. In fact, you look so much like her.

That is a concern. Why is it a concern? Because what is happening between you and your mother is going to repeat between you and your daughter.

Because you look so much like your mother, you do what your mother does. Well, so that is repentance. So repent and believe.

What do you have to believe? What do you have to believe? That Jesus Christ is the Messiah, the son of God, who died for our sins.

Okay. And resurrected so we can live. And then what? So you have to repent, believe. And then what? What is the meaning of baptism?

Acts chapter 8. Acts chapter 8.

Verse 29. Then the spirit said unto Philip, Go near and join thyself to the chariots. And Philip ran thither to him and heard him read the prophet Isaiah.

And he said to the man, so Philip said, Understandeth what thou readeth. And I said, Do you understand what you're reading? And what did the man say? And he said, How can I, except someone should guide me?

He was reading the Bible, but he didn't understand what he was reading. How many of you have been in that situation before? So the truth is nobody actually understands the Bible.

You can get it, but fully, you don't really know what he can. He actually is talking about. You can understand what he's, you can get what he's trying to say. But to understand the actual point is it takes Christ.

If Christ is in you, he helps you. Or that being a Christian is what helps you to understand the Bible. So is it not funny when a Muslim tries to quote the Bible to try to prove a point?

I find it so funny and so bizarre, absurd. For you to think that you can read the Bible and understand it because you can read it, you know, A, B, C, D.

That doesn't mean you can read it and understand it. He said, I mean, He said, do you understand what you are reading? Acts chapter 8 verse 30.

Do you understand what you are reading? He said, do you understand what you are reading? He said, how can I? Unless someone guides me. Someone must teach me these things.

[7:49] That's one of the benefits of being in church, a good church, where you'll be taught the Bible. So unless someone teaches me. And, well, so, so I like what the Bible says.

And he asks Philip to come. Come, come. He invited him. Join me. So Philip was not in the chariot, but he could hear the man reading. Where was the man reading from? Isaiah.

Because it's in verse 29. He heard the man reading. Those times, Bibles were read. And it's still practice. And it's a good practice. You read the Bible aloud.

Yeah, you read it aloud. So sometimes when you are at home reading your Bible, it's good to read it aloud. Read it to yourself. Read it out. So you can hear the Bible read.

One of the ways your faith can grow is, faith comes by what? Hear it. Not reading. Not reading. Not reading. So the word must be read.

[8:53] And you must hear it. There's something. There's a connection between your next miracle and what you are hearing. Because in spiritual things, what you hear is a determinant.

Or is a determining factor. In spiritual things. So he heard a voice. He said, I was in the spirit of the Lord's day. Revelation chapter 1 verse 10. And I heard behind me.

I heard. I heard. Jesus. Paul. He was going to kill Christians. He fell from the horse. In Acts chapter 9. And he said, and I heard a voice from heaven. He said, people, those who were with me did not hear it.

I was the only one who heard it. He heard a voice from heaven. Saul. Saul. Why persecuted that me? His encounter was what he heard. Jesus was being baptized in Luke chapter 3.

21. And the heavens was open. And Bible says, the Holy Spirit came down in a bodily form. And a voice came and said, this is my son. In my beloved son. In whom I am well pleased.

[9:56] A voice comes. And you have to hear the voice of God. So hearing is important. So as he was reading it.

Philip was near the chariot. And you could hear. This man is reading Isaiah. Isaiah. Isaiah. And so then he asked him. Excuse me. Excuse me. Do you understand what you are reading?

And the chariot was still going. He said, how can I? Except someone expressed it to me. Can you come on board? He said, okay. Come on board. And so he asked him to join him. And then when he joined him.

The guy was reading the scripture in Isaiah. That says that he was led to the slaughter. He was led as a sheep to the slaughter. And as a lamb before his shears.

He. I'm sorry. Is silent. So he opened not his mouth. Now this scripture was written by Isaiah. But it was talking about Jesus Christ.

[10:55] In fact, some theologians believe. That. Isaiah. Is the first gospel. There's no prophet. Who spoke more.

All the prophets spoke about Jesus Christ. But no one spoke vividly. Vividly. And. It's like. Vividly. And accurately.

And deeply. About Christ. Like Isaiah. He described. The Christ so much. That there's no way. You can know the Christ. Without reading. Isaiah.

Or. You can know about the prophesied Christ. So it's always the prophet. Isaiah said. And so. Theologians call the book of Isaiah.

The. Messiah. Messiah. The prophet. So when they say Messiah. Messiah. You know about Christ. Christ is the same as Messiah. So. The Messiah. Messiah. The prophet. Isaiah.

[11:49] And the man was reading. Reading. Isaiah. Isaiah. And so. He. So when he was reading Isaiah. Go to the next verse. And then.

In his. Human. In his. In his humiliation. His justice was taken away from him. That's talking about Jesus Christ. His justice was taken away. And who will. Declare his generation.

For his life was taken. From the earth. The next verse. So the eunuch. Answered Philip. And said. I ask you. Of whom. Does the prophet say this?

Of himself. Or somebody else? He said. Can you tell me. Who is the prophet talking about? Is he talking about. He himself. Or he was talking about. Somebody else? And I like that.

His next statement. Bible says that. And Philip. Opened his mouth. And beginning. At that. This scripture. He preached. Jesus. That means that. Every scripture. Is about Jesus.

[12:44] Jesus. Because. He began from that scripture. And preached Jesus to him. And guess what? Look at the next verse. Now. As they went down the road.

They came to some water. And the eunuch said. See. Here is water. What hinders me. From being baptized. What hinders me. So there are some things.

That can hinder you. From being baptized. Because you cannot be baptized. Without that. And what happened? God. Then Philip said. If you believe. So what is the condition for baptizing?

Believe. It is not belonging to a church. Belonging to a church. Is not a Christian. Condition for being baptized. Okay. Believing in Christ.

Is a Christian condition. For being baptized. So when I became born again. And I was in the church already. I wasn't born again. And I had already been baptized. With some water sprinkled on my head.

[13:40] By church tradition. But after I became born again. I now had to baptize. Do the believers baptism. Oh.

Is someone getting what I'm saying? The believers baptism. The baptism. That only belongs to those. Who are believed. Those who are matured enough. And can believe.

A child can't believe. A baby cannot believe. So maybe you are baptized as a baby. No problem. It's church tradition. It's not bad in itself.

For the church. Every church has their own tradition. And stuff like that. But now that you are a believer. Now that you have committed your life to Christ. That I believe in Jesus Christ.

That he died to save me from my sins. And I could. Listen. When we talk about faith. To be saved. Right? And there's. There's.

[14:37] There's. There's. Saving faith. Good. Saving. Everybody say saving faith. Saving faith. Say it again. Saving faith. Say for the last time. Saving faith.

When we say. Saving faith. We are talking about the faith. That makes you. Receive salvation. So somebody say. I believe. Oh. But me too.

I believe. How many of us here. You were going to church. Possibly. Maybe with your mother. Father. Or friends. And neighbors. Every now and then.

And they said Jesus died. Was born in Bethlehem. He died on the cross. To save us. And all the things they say about Jesus. You believe. But you are not born again. Alright.

So. Pastor. If you are saying. Believing. I also believe. Okay. So what is the difference between. Just believing. And saving faith. You had. Yeah. You had faith that Jesus died.

Or you believe that Jesus died. But so what has changed now that. You are saying. I believe Jesus died. And that one is saving you. Now. I'm getting a little bit theological here. But because you people are very intelligent.

And you are scholars. It's. It's okay. To leave. Drop these things. So. So that you are not ignorant. When you meet people who talk.

And want to use. In what they. To bully you. At least you are familiar with this. Because my pastor mentioned this some time ago. You can write it down. This is easy. But those of you writing.

You can write this down. Later. I'm going to check. When we say saving faith. Or believing to be saved. Believe. Saving faith. The belief that brings us to true salvation. Has three aspects.

The first aspect. I'm going to mention a Latin word. Then I'll explain it. Is that okay? The first aspect. Is noticia. Noticia means.

[16:29] Notes. Or data. Say data. Data. If you say I believe. You believe what? I believe. Oh I believe.

So sorry. What do you mean by. What do you believe? The people who are also committing. Murder. In the name of. God or something.

They also believe. In fact. Atees also believe. They have faith. Every Atees has faith. And their faith is very.

Very interesting faith. Because. It takes a lot more faith. To believe that God doesn't exist. It takes a lot more. Because all the evidence. Are so strong. So.

When you say. I have faith. Or I believe. What do you believe? You remember I asked you. That you said believe. Believe what? It's important. That's the. Go back to.

[17:25] The Enoch. And. The Enoch. I said Enoch. The Enoch. It says that. Philip said. If you believe. With all your heart.

You may be baptized. And he answered. And said. I believe that. That that is called. Is the noticia. The content. Of your faith. The data. What are you believing?

So you can't just say. I believe. And believe anything. I'm talking about. Because I believe. I'm a Christian. No. What do you believe? Do you believe that. Jesus. God. God. Is the creator.

Of the universe. And we all were created. By him. If you don't believe that. You are not a Christian. You can be judged. But you are not. You can even be a priest. You are not a Christian.

Because. You are believing. Something contrary. To what the Bible teaches. Wow. That's why we have the Bible. It is. Is the sole authority.

[18:22] On. Any subject. Of faith. So long as Christians. Are concerned. Anybody who believes. Contrary. To what the Bible teaches. Cannot be a Christian. Oh.

You are not getting me. So when someone say. I'm a Christian. But you know. You can't just believe. In the Bible. It's a clear sign. You are not actually a Christian. You are not. You are not.

Because to be a Christian. Means that. I believe. Everything the Bible says. So some of you. I'm just telling you. Ahead of time. That you think you are a Christian. But you are not. You are just a church goer.

You are not a Christian. If you die. You are not going home. Because home is not heaven. For you. You are not a believer. What do you believe?

So. Every faith. Must have content. I believe that Jesus is the son of God. That is a summary of the Christian faith. You cannot. Watch this. The Apostles Creed.

[19:19] You cannot say. I don't believe any one thing. And remain a Christian. Because that is the Christian faith. The not I. Noticia. The not I. The content of what we believe.

Is what has been summarized. As the Apostles Creed. I believe in Jesus Christ. I believe in God. The Father Almighty. He created the heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ. His only son.

Our Lord. Who was conceived. By the Virgin Mary. He was born. He was conceived. And was born by the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate. He was crucified.

He died. And he was buried. On the third day. He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven. And he seated on the right hand of God. The Father Almighty.

From there. He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit. The Holy Universal Church. The communion of saints. It means the fellowship of saints.

[20:13] The communion of saints. The resurrection of the body. And life everlasting. If you don't believe one of it. You are not a proper Christian. That is what our faith is about.

It's not about. Give my son of the songs you have been singing. I am free. I will go there. That doesn't make you a Christian.

Going to church. Doesn't make you a Christian. Owning a Bible. Doesn't make you a Christian.

You own a Bible. Does the Bible own you? No. So when someone says I have given my life to Christ.

It means that now I am going to believe fully everything the Bible teaches. And live by it. That is a Christian. Whether people like it or not. Whether my friends like it or not.

[21:13] Whether society likes it or not. I am a Christian. And my conscience is held captive by the word of God. And live by the word of God. So this gives us the content of our faith.

Noticia. And then after noticia. We have the ascensus. Ascensus is agreement. Because some people can say yes.

This is the fact. The information. But well. I don't agree. I don't agree with everything that is said. So the facts will be there.

No time. The facts are there. But as a believer. Do you agree. That Jesus died and resurrected on the third day. So that is ascensus. Some people said yes.

In fact when I used to be. Before I became born again. I was going to church. I believed in. I believe in God the father of my. And I believe it. I believe there is going to be judgment.

[ 22:15 ] I believe Jesus is going to return. I believe all that. But I wasn't born again. No. So just accept. That was. That was believing. I know the fact. And then ascensus is accepted.

I accepted it. Because I didn't doubt it. I didn't challenge it. I accepted it. But it didn't make me born again. So the third aspect of your faith. Saving faith. Is for do care.

For. For do. For do. For do care. For do care. For do care. So when it says. When it says. For do. For do.

For do care. So fiduciary comes from the Greek word. Sorry. Latin word fiduciary. And fiduciary. Okay. Fiduciary. I said for. Okay. So fiduciary.

From a Latin. Fiduciary. Meaning trust. Uh-huh. Uh-huh. So it's from the Latin. Fiduciary.

[23:14] Which is. Trust. Trust a person. Or a business. Or a business. Like a bank. Or a stock. You know. Brokerage. Who has the power.

And obligation. To act for another. Often called the beneficiary. Under circumstances. So. To trust. Right. So fiduciary. Fiduciary.

Is to trust. So. Noticia. Assensus. Fiduciary. So now. You have the content. Of your faith. You accept it. Now you trust.

And commit your life to it. Until you commit your life. To live by it. You are not a Christian. You don't have saving faith. You haven't believed. To be saved.

So I was going to church. I accepted it. I knew the fact. Because I was reciting it always. I knew it. I accepted it. But I have not committed. My life to it. So saving faith.

[24:11] Involves committing your life to it. Fiducia. Fiducia. Ascens. So. Noticia. Ascensus. Noticia.

Or notai. Means data. The content. When we will say. That is why. You can be saying. I'm going to church. But actually. You don't even know. A lot about.

What the Bible is saying. You don't have. An idea. About what the Bible. Has got to say. About marriage. You don't have an idea. About what the Bible. Has got to say.

About relationship. Between. Mother. And daughter. Father. And son. You don't know. You don't have an idea. About what the Bible. Has got to say. About relationship.

Between. Employers. And employees. Between citizens. And government. The Bible. Has something to say. About all. You don't have. A relation. An idea.

[25:07] About what the Bible. Has got to say. About sex. All you know. Is 10 commandments. That shall not commit adultery. No. You have to know. Better than that. If you're a Christian. So. As we come to church.

We read our Bible. We begin to know. A lot more. Because. Our entire faith. Hinges. On what the Bible. Has said. Are you getting me? And so.

He said. I believe that. Jesus is the son of God. And he says. That if you believe. Then you can be baptized now. I'm taking this to some. I'm taking this some way. So.

But why do I have to be baptized. After I've believed? That's the question. The real question here. After I've believed. Why must I? Because when you are born again. You have to be baptized. Now.

In Peter. There's a man called Peter. In Acts chapter 10. An angel. Appeared to Cornelius. He said. Send for Peter. Peter. And Peter went to Cornelius house. And. Acts chapter 10.

[26:01] Verse 44. Bible says. While Peter was just preaching. The Holy Spirit fell. On all those. Who were listening to him. When the Holy Spirit comes up. On the person. Do you agree with me.

That is part of the rabbi. Yeah. They received the Holy Spirit. So it's part of the rabbi. And I told you. The rabbi is four. So they have.

They have believed. And they received. The Holy Spirit. Repentance. Bible didn't mention it. But obviously. To also be part of it. But after. Oh. So.

No. See. Once Peter. The Spirit of God fell upon him. And Bible says. That verse 46. They began to speak in tongues. For they heard them speak with tongues. And magnifying God. And then Peter answered. Watch this.

Let's already. Those who can see the screen. Let's go. So. And anyone who will talk. That is not. In fact. For the salvation of the Holy Spirit. Just as in God. So.

[26:57] When the guy said. To Stephen. Sorry. Philip. Can I be. Why can't I be baptized? Philip. Asked. A condition. He said. If you believe. Because believing.

Precedes. Baptism. In Christianity. But this guy. Because they received. The Holy Spirit. Is an indication. To Peter. That they have already received. So.

They have had. The Holy. The R. The last R. Which means. You cannot have. The first B. Without the last R. Believe. Believe.

To be a Christian. First one. Is believe. Just like a child. To be born. You have to just come out of the womb. That one start. Before you are talking about. Umbilical cord. And all that. To complete it.

Yeah. You must just come out. So. Believing. You cannot repent. If you don't believe. You can't be baptized. If you don't believe. You can't even receive. The Holy Spirit. If you don't believe. So. They receive the Holy Spirit. Ah.

[ 27:51] These guys have believed already. And so. Because they have believed. Now that they have received. The Holy Spirit. Peter asks. If these guys. Have received the Holy Spirit. Then what stops us. From getting them baptized.

Which means. If they have believed already. If they have believed. Why don't you baptize them? Because. Baptism. Or. Receiving the Holy Spirit. Is part of the process.

Baptism. Is also part of the process. Believing. Is so part of the process. And then after you have believed. When you leave. You repent. Because. When. Oh. I feel like preaching already. When.

When. When. Peter preached. In Acts chapter 2. He preached about Jesus Christ. He preached a long message. They were cut to the heart. Verse. Verse. Verse 37. And they said.

Men and brethren. What must we do. To be saved. And Peter said. What? Repent. Repent.

[ 28:45 ] Repent. And be baptized. So he. Peter used. Repentance. And baptism. Because. He knows. They have accepted. The truth. Of what he was saying. So. Now that you have believed. Then you have.

Repent. In Acts chapter 16. Verse 30. The prison jailer. He asked them. What must I do. To be saved. People keep asking.

This question. And the answer is not one. 30. Verse 30. And he brought them out. And says. Says. Save.

I need to be saved. Save in faith. I need to be saved. And then look at verse 31. And. They said. Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. And you.

That's all. He didn't mention baptism. He didn't mention repentance. But the other place. They said. Repent. So. That's what I'm telling you. Sometimes. They are silent.

[29:38] But it's part of the four. But the main thing. That determines. And defines all. Is that. For God. So.

Love the world. I gave his only begotten. That whosoever repents. Believe. Whosoever gets baptized. Believe. Whosoever receives.

Believe. Whoever believes. It starts with believing. Amen. But when you believe. It's not all. Repentance must come. Baptism must come. And receiving the Holy Spirit.

So you can live. The proper. Christian life. Now watch this. What am I talking about? The baptism bit. When I receive the Holy Spirit. Yeah. I can receive power. To do God's work. When I believe. Obviously.

I have to believe. That Jesus died for me. When I repent. Obviously. You have to change your ways. Because. Righteousness. Peace. George. You can't say. You are in the kingdom of God. And you are unrighteous. In.

[30:33] In. Titus chapter one. Sorry. Chapter two. Verse eleven. It says. The grace of God. That brings salvation. Has appeared to all men. Verse twelve. Teaching us. That denying. Ungodliness.

And worldly lusts. You see. The teaching us. That denying. Ungodliness. And you. That when you are saved. You have to deny some things. And change your ways. Yeah. Jesus said.

Take up your cross. And follow me. Yes. In Matthew chapter sixteen. Verse twenty four. Jesus said. If you are not willing. To deny yourself. You can't be my disciple. He says that.

Then Jesus said. To his disciples. If anyone desires. To come after me. Let him deny himself. Take up his cross. And follow me. That deny himself. Did you see that? Oh. Come on. If anyone wants to come after me.

In other words. Jesus says. I believe in you. It's not the end. You have to also take an action then. Believing in Christ. If you are a genuine believer. And you say. I have my. I have. I have.

[31:30] Fudukia. In the Lord. I trust God. I committed myself to him. It will show in your ways. He says. Deny yourself. You deny yourself. Take up. What do you do with the cross?

The cross. What is cross useful? Cross is used for killing. So when I say. Take up your cross. And follow me. No. If you are dead. You can't be walking. So that means that. You consider yourself.

As a dead man living. Who are you living for? I live for Christ. He died for me. So that I can live for him. It's as simple as that. Christ died for me. So that I can live for him.

He died in my place. So I can live in his place. So when I'm living. I'm living his life. So people should look at me. And see the glory of Christ. Manifesting in my life.

So repentance is necessary. Ba Baptism. When you believe. You have to be baptized.

[ 32:27 ] What for? Is it not just going underwater. And getting soaked. What does it change? I just get wet. And I clean my. I'm fine. So can you tell me. A little bit more about baptism. Because it looks like.

Baptism carries. Baptism carries such weight. In the Bible. In church. And with believers. It carries such weight. But I don't understand. What it signifies. Or what it stands for.

And so. We need to look at. Romans chapter 6. Verse 2. Verse 3. And verse 5. So I can just. I can just. Start preaching my message. Somebody said.

Oh. Certainly not. How shall we. Who died. I think we have to go. From verse 1. Because you can't. Start a conversation. Certainly not. Can you? It doesn't make sense.

I saw her. Hello. Lindsay. Certainly not. Are you okay? Should I take you to the psychiatrist? How can you?

[ 33:22 ] So let's. Let's start the conversation properly. Even that is not complete. But at least. From verse 1. Makes a little bit. Because. Verse 1. Is a continuation. From chapter 6. Chapter 5.

The last verse in chapter 5. Okay. But. We can go back. And back. And back. Alright. Let's go to the last verse. In chapter 5. Oh. Is there already? So then. As sin reigned in death. Even so.

Grace might reign through righteousness. To eternal life. Through Christ. No. Go to verse 20. Ah. See. We keep going back. Moreover. The law entered. That offense might abound.

No. That is. You never know. God can never forgive me. He has a lot of grace to cover you. So he said. This one has done more sin than this one. And this one has done more sin than this one.

[ 34:16 ] How can you save them equally? He said. Don't worry. There's more grace to cover everyone. So when God is giving you grace to save you. You give you grace. That will save you. Give you grace. So where's this? More sin. There's what? More grace.

That's what he's trying to say. So moreover. The law came in. that sin is my abound. But where there is more sin, there is also more grace. So then we can leave this and go to chapter 6, verse 1.

And it says that, listen, that's interesting. It said, so should we sin, continue in sin? Because I say, where there's more sin, so if you want more grace, then let me sin more so that grace can be a lot.

Yeah, that's the rationale behind it because you just said that when there's more sin, there's more grace. And I also want more grace. I want more grace, so let me do more sin so I can get bigger grace than other people.

So, he said, what shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin so that more grace? Can you give us living translation, new living translation? Let's see how he posts it.

[35:22] Well, then, should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace? Message Bible. Let's read message together. Let's go.

So, what can we do? Keep on sinning so God can keep on forgiving. Oh, God, as for God, he will never run out of forgiveness. Oh, well, then let me go on.

Go on, because he has more forgiveness to give me. You got me? Back to New King James.

So, he said, shall we continue to sin so that grace may abound? Listen to you. The next statement is very strong. Look at it. Certainly not. Let's all say that together.

Certainly not. It is not the proper translation. God, this is weak. Let's see King James. What did King James say? I like King James. What's so big? What's so big?

[ 36:21 ] You are a believer now. Why would you go and continue and say, God forbid. God forbid that I should go back to that boy.

Hey. Hey. For really, really big. I'm coming. I'm coming. Can I come? Can I go there? Can I go there? God forbid that I should go back to that girl.

Oh, can you come and visit me with your overnight bag? No. My shape. God forbid.

You must learn how to not just say no. You have to say, God forbid. God forbid. In other words, despicably disgusting to even think I will do something.

Ah, yuck. I'm born again. Should I go back smoking into smoking? God forbid.

[37:33] Suddenly, my boy, the guy who liked me so much, his father has won an oil contract and has become a millionaire. He has bought a new car. He wants to buy a car for me so we can come together.

Should we go back for it? What for me? It is only, listen, the Bible says in Peter, I forgot, 2 Peter, yeah, oh, I think 221, somewhere there, I'm not sure about that.

It says that dogs go back to their vomit. You know, a dog can, and then it goes, yeah, is it the way, in some of you, your life is kind of yuck because you get born again and you go back to, but it has happened to them according to the true proverb, a dog returns to his own vomit and Saul, and Saul, having washed, to her, wallowing in the mouth.

Pig, when you wash pig, it will go back to the mouth. God wash you from that filthy relationship. God wash you from that bad behavior. God wash you, save you from that addiction.

Why are you going back there? Why are you going back? You are saved. Someone shout, God forbid! God forbid! Don't go back there.

[38:54] Don't go back there. Oh, give me New Living Translation. Let's go. Let's go. Message. Let's go. Scrapped a pig.

A dog. So, that guy sent you a text. That lady, the lady told you, send you a message. You used to go and mess up with her. God forbid.

What? What you don't even like is, you don't want to happen is, you used to be messing up in the world. God, now you have come to church. Why would you want to come and mess up with guys in church?

Wow. Hey, what for a really, r

[40:06] You, yeah, ah, then you go back and then, after, look at, look at how nice preaching has scrubbed you, have washed you.

You look now clean. You can, when people are lifting their hands, I am free. You can sing, I am free. Why are you going back to the mat? You are not a pig. When someone is trying to invite you back, in fact, spiritually, he is trying to invite you to a pig kind of life, a dog kind of life.

That is why you have to say, oh, you must always use, that is why you need to receive the Holy Spirit. Amen. So that, with the Holy Spirit, you will be able, to keep your body under.

So, he says, 1 Corinthians chapter 9, verse 27, he said, I keep my body. My body wants to get up, but I keep it down. Stay down. Stay down.

So that, after I have come to play music in church, after I have come to preach, I have gone to the street to do outreach, after I have come to sing in church, I have come to wear, Osher's uniform, I will go back.

[41:15] I will go back messing up. You have to, sometimes your body is crying for something, but keep it under. Keep your body. He says that, I discipline my body, and bring it under.

Subjection. Subjection. I bring it under. Less when I have preached, I have sung, I have ushered, I have done set up, I have played, I have preached to others, myself, I have been disqualified.

You can be doing church activities, and end up being disqualified. Why? Because you didn't learn, how to keep your body down. Subjection.

Let me have the King James. I like the King James. I keep my, I keep under my body, and bring it in subjection. NIV.

No. I beat my body, and make it my slave. My body said, I don't want to say, you will do it.

[42:15] I don't want to say, you will do it. Hey, come on, follow. God, your body must obey you. Amen. Other than that, your body will make you do things, that you feel so bad about, and that makes you feel disqualified, or get disqualified.

Your body, bring your body under subjection. Shall we continue in sin? Romans chapter six, verse one. Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid.

Let's finish the text. Read it. What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? Go to verse two. Certainly not. How shall we, who died to sin, how shall we, who died to sin, how shall we?

Baptism is a sign, that somebody is dead. We died to sin. You died. So when you say, you are dead in Christ, it doesn't mean, you are committing suicide.

It means that you are dead to sin. You don't allow sin, to control your life anymore. How shall we, who are dead? That means that, those of us who are born again, we are dead to sin. So why are you coming to church, with sin?

[43:28] Stop the sinning. Because you have repented. Go out. Certainly not. How shall we, who died to sin, live any longer in it? No, we can't live any longer.

No way. I'm not going back. So these two scriptures, should be, second, second Peter chapter two, verse 22, and Romans chapter six, verse two. I can't go back anymore. It's too late.

Do you know when, last night, I was flying from Ghana, to UK, and when the plane took off, there was a guy sitting here, me, who is this, his first time flying. He said, wow, the plane is so big inside, I never knew.

And, and then, at the point in time, I could, I could see, I was thinking about him, when this plane takes off, and we begin to climb, maybe we'll be afraid. He will say, I don't want to go back again.

If you don't want to go back, not when the plane takes off. It's too late. The next time you see yourself, you see, outside, you step outside, you're being hit through.

Yeah. Yeah. You have to be, you be setting, and make up your mind. God forbid, it's too late for me to turn back. I've gone too far in God, to backslide.

I've gone too far, in church, to backslide. Now, I sing in the choir. Now, I'm Asha. Now, I go for outreach. Now, I'm in spoken word. I'm in kid dances.

I'm a musician, in church. You know, I lead prayer. In my KOC, I lead prayer. I've come too far. It's too late. I can't go back.

Sometimes you feel down. You feel like, you know, I'm tired. You know, sometimes you're at Christianity, you're at worshiping. Sometimes you feel like you're at that, because that's when you have to call Holy Spirit, I need you, because it takes the Holy Spirit to continue.

You feel tired, but you have to remember yourself. Bring your body under subjection, and remind yourself, that no, girl, it's too late. We can't go back. You gotta keep going. A Christian songwriter, years ago, wrote a song, and sang it, I think, 1995, in the early 90s.

[45:33] It's Ron Kenoli. He said, if you catch hell, don't hold it. And if you're going through hell, don't stop. What do you do? Just keep going. Just keep going. You catch hell, don't hold it

Leave it. And if you're going through hell, don't stop. I'm burning. No, keep going. Keep going forward. Faith has no reverse gear. Faith has no reverse gear.

And the armor of Christ, and the armor of the Christian, it doesn't have anything to cover your back. Everything is because you are supposed to be going forward. If you start going back, you are exposed. So God is the one who covers your back as you go forward.

God is, I got your back. I got your back. God is telling you, girl, I got your back. You made a silly mistake, but I got you. I got you. You saw me. I got your back. Confess your sin and keep going. Confess your sin. I got your back.

I got your back. I got your back. Because after you became born again, you've made some mistakes. You've gone back to a little bit of some vomit. Yeah. But it doesn't mean you should just stand completely.

[46:35] Get it back. Get back up. Get back up. I know I'm talking to somebody. Get back up. Get back up. You are a champion. You are not a loser. You are a winner.

You are not a victim. You are a victim. So don't settle. Don't settle down in that mess. Get back up. Go back and decide from today.

I've said no again. And this time, I mean heavy no. And say, when you go pray about it, ask the Holy Spirit, help me. And when we close, you go. Tell the devil now, come and face me. I'm ready.

I'm ready. I'm ready. Because I have the Holy Spirit as my help. Praise God. Hallelujah. It says that, Romans chapter 6 verse 2.

It says, God forbid, how can we, who are dead to sin, live? Look at the verse 3. Read it. Do you not know that as many of us were baptized into Christ Jesus, were baptized into his death?

[47:37] Ah, so baptism introduces you into death. When you say, I'm being baptized, that means you are being initiated into the death of Christ.

something gone die or must die. Something must die. If you are in Christ, something must die.

You take yourself to be baptized to die. It says, don't you know or do you know because how come that you who are, how can you, verse 2, God forbid, certainly not God forbid, how shall we who are, who died to sin, live any longer in it?

Then it says that, oh, didn't you know that once you were baptized, you were baptized into his death? So it's the baptism that started the death. But it said, oh, so you didn't know when you baptized, this is what happened.

I'm telling you, that's what happened. That's what it said. That's what happened. Baptize, into Christ, for do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were actually baptized into his death?

[48:43] Look at the next verse. I like this. Therefore, we are buried with him through baptism into death that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so, we should also walk in newness of life.

You are a changed person. I'm changed. So that's why you have to be baptized. It means that you are identifying with the death of Christ. Other than that, your spiritual birth is not complete.

That's why I said, these guys have believed. What stops them from being baptized? When you baptize, it means that, yes, now the death has been endorsed. I'm dead in Christ. But it's the verse 5 I want to take you to.

Look at verse 5. For if we have been united together in the likeness of his death, oh, oh, oh, oh, it's not the end. The dying is not the end.

Certainly, we also shall be in the likeness of his resurrection. This is very important. That means that if we have accepted the death of Christ, then it gives us the permission to walk in the glory of his resurrection.

[49:50] So, the death, dying is not just dying and ending it. Dying is, you are dying so you will live.

Can I take you a bit further? In 2 Timothy 2, verse 11, it talks about we are dying so life can show. It talks about, this is a faithful sin. For if we die with him, we certainly will also live with him.

We shall also live with him. It starts with dying. Baptism is a sign of dying. It's a sign. If you haven't been baptized after you believe, you have to be baptized.

Because your believing is not going to. I know, my parents changed me to my parents' church and they baptized me. But it didn't spoil anything when I did the believers' baptism. If you have believed, if you have the noticia, a sense of fiducia, you have to be baptized.

He said, they have received the Holy Spirit. What stops us from getting them baptized? Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Look at 2 Corinthians 4, verse 10, verse 11.

[50:54] 2 Corinthians 4, always carrying about in our body, the dying. Huh? Huh? We are walking, we are living our life, but we carry in our body the dying.

Did you see that? The dying of our Lord Jesus. Why are we doing that? So that the life of Jesus also must manifest in our bodies.

it starts with dying for the life to actually have full expression. You can't manifest the life of Christ if you don't first share in his death.

Wow. Wow. So it's okay. Something is dying. Something is dead in your body, dead in your life. That's good. So that something better can live. Hallelujah.

Isn't it amazing? Look at verse 11. Look at verse 11. For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake. Why? That the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our human, physical human being.

[51:54] Life of Jesus is being manifested. Why? It starts with being conformed to his death. This is what Christianity is about. Christianity means someone is dead but is living.

I'm a walking dead man. I'm dead but I'm walking. What do you mean by you are dead? It looks like it's an oxymoron. Oxymoron. Dead but alive.

Dead man walking. Yes. He said, I'm crucified with Christ. Galatians 2.20. I've been crucified with Christ. Nevertheless, it's not I. The one who has been crucified. Nevertheless, I live.

Oh. But he said, this life I'm living is not I. It is Christ who lives. It's just that. I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me. And the life that I now live, I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me.

You see me alive, I'm dead. So how are you producing your life? How are you living? No, Christ is living in me. Listen, if you are born again means that Christ is living his life in you. Christ is living in you.

[53:03] Christ is living in you. There are so many scriptures I can show you. But let me show you these two, last two. Is that okay? Do you like the scriptures? If you don't like the scripture, I really feel sorry for you.

If you like the scriptures, by God's grace, you have a pastor who has also got a lot of it inside him. Thank you. Got a lot of scripture inside him. First Corinthians chapter 15, verse 31.

What? Is this in the Bible? Yeah, girl. It's there. Yeah, girl. It's there. Let's all read. Those who can see the screen, let's all read there now. Let's go. I am blessed by the mercy in which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord.

I die daily. I what? Die daily. How often? Daily. Don't you? You die only once. But what does it mean by I die daily? Daily. When I wake up I'm alive.

I have to consider myself that every day is a daily affair. I die daily. I die daily. I die daily.

[54:05] I die daily. 2 Corinthians. This is not the one other scripture but since you like it let me add it. 2 Corinthians chapter 1 verse 9. Why?

Yes. We have the sentence of death in our bodies. Ah! We have it in ourselves. Why? That we should not trust in ourselves but in God who raises the dead.

So a Christian is like you are walking but you know death is working in you. My last scripture. This is the main scripture I wanted to start with. But. Philippians chapter 3.

Verse 10. Last few weeks ago I spoke about from verse 7. Forsoever were gained things were gained to me I count loss for the excellent knowledge of Christ and that I may found him and gain him and be found him.

But verse 10. Verse 10 said that I may know him and the power of what? I may know what? Him and what? The power of his resurrection.

[55:06] That I may know who? Him and what? The power of his resurrection. So it's not only knowing him I want to also know the power of his resurrection. This resurrection life is working in me.

I have to count some things lost that I can know Christ. There are people who call themselves Christians but they don't know Christ. They don't know him. They don't know Jesus. They just know church songs.

They know church people. They say oh my church is nice. My church is nice. My church is nice. Who is Christ? Oh he died. I don't know him. That I may know him and the power of his resurrection.

Is that all? No. And what else? And the fellowship of his... I can't hear you. And the fellowship of his suffering. Let's all say the fellowship of his suffering.

The fellowship of his suffering. Everybody say it louder one more time. The fellowship of his suffering. You can't say oh I mean I'm a Christian. That's all. It comes with fellowship of suffering. Friends will marginalize you.

People will speak negative things about you. Sometimes people persecute you. Sometimes you don't know why they are treating you like that. And it's simply because you now are a Christian. They know you won't do something so they are beginning to try to punish you.

They are trying to hate you because you are a Christian. He said it's called the fellowship of his suffering. Sometimes some church friends can do something against you and really upset but they know you'll forgive them.

So that's why every time he knows I'll forgive yeah keep suffering for Jesus. The fellowship of his suffering. You are fellowshipping with the suffering of Christ. And not only that and being made conformable to his death.

Is it there? Yes. Being made conformed to his death. I am conforming to so I die daily for Christ. This is what the baptism is leading us to.

But you know that Jesus Christ came and lived a certain life. Do you know he suffered? Did he? Yes. He suffered and then did he die? Yes. So he suffered he died and what happened?

[57:06] He resurrected and he had a resurrection life. And he said he calls you and you know what he does? He reverses the order he gives you resurrection life so that you can suffer and die.

For what? For the building of the church. Oh you didn't get it. Because you need the resurrection life. So he suffered died and got the resurrection life.

And now he gives us the resurrection life so that we can suffer and died for the producing of the building of the church. If you are too proud you can't do God's work. If you are not full of the Holy Ghost and full of yourself you won't get God.

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