Seeing Jesus Wednesday December 27, 2023 Dr. Pete Norris

For where there is a testament, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. For a testament is in force after men are dead, since it has no power at all while the testator lives. Therefore, not even the first covenant was dedicated without blood. (Hebrews 9:16-18 NKJV)

Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though it is only a man's covenant, yet if it is confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it. Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ. And this I say, that the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect. For if the inheritance is of the law, it is no longer of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise. (Galatians 3:15-18 NKJV)

Paul used Abraham as the example by showing God's unilateral promise by walking through the torn sacrifice without requiring Abraham to do the same. The promise of Abraham is ultimately fulfilled by Jesus Christ.

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might [receive] the adoption as sons. (Galatians 4:4, 5 NKJV)

He came to His own, and His own did not [receive] Him. But as many as [received] Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:11-14 NKJV)

Received means to "to be given," "presented with," or "to be paid for."

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There is that word receive again. **Verse 13**, You and I were born of God.

For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. (John 1:17 NKJV)

And He said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?" (Luke 24:17 NKJV)

But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened. Yes, and certain women of our company, who arrived at the tomb early, astonished us. When they did not find His body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said He was alive. And certain of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but Him they did not see." (Luke 24:21-24 NKJV)

Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! (Luke 24:25 NKJV)

There are two indictments against the body of Christ.

- **(1)** They were suffering from ignorance and lack of knowledge and revelation from the Word of God.
- **(2)** When we don't have revelation of the Word, we are slow of heart to believe.

And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. (Luke 24:27 NKJV)

He told them that everything that Moses and the prophets revealed Himself (Jesus).

This tells us that every page in the Bible is about Jesus. Jesus is in the Old Testament concealed, and in the New Testament revealed. He wants us to study the Bible to see Him and all the things in the scriptures concerning Himself.

Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" (Luke 24:31, 32 NKJV)

Emmaus in Hebrew means "warm baths" or "warm springs."

When Jesus expounded on the scriptures, the disciples' hearts experienced "warm baths." Their hearts were strangely warmed and comforted.

So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" And they told about the things that had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread. (Luke 24:33-35 NKJV)

They walked seven miles to Emmaus and then walked seven more miles back to Jerusalem. When you are under and anointed ministry of Jesus your body responds, life comes, and profound and boundless energy flows.

My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to thy word. **(Psalms 119:25 KJV).**

Quicken thou me according to thy word, which means, "Give me life through Your Word."

And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked: The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed, Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked. (Acts 14:8-10 KJV)

Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: And by him all that believe are

justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses. (Acts 13:38, 39 KJV)

This is the true ministry of any new covenant Bible teacher or preacher, he seeks to unveil Jesus to you and qualify you by the blood of Jesus. He does not come to unveil your faults or bring your sins to remember or to disqualify you from entering God's presence and enjoying His blessings.

And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son? (1 Kings 17:18 KJV)

The devil wants you self-conscious, but God wants you Jesus-conscious. The law is all about your looking at yourself. The new covenant Is all about your seeing Jesus.

Smith Wigglesworth said, "Some people read their Bible in Hebrew, some in Greek. I like to read mine in the Holy Ghost."