

Wholeness & Holiness

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The Deconstruction of Faith

What is “progressive” Christianity?

[video]

“Progressive” Christianity: a rationalization of sin to evade personal responsibility and consequences. It is a dismissal of His sovereign will, plan and Word to follow after the will of the created (AKA--Rebellion)

Faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of God. Romans 10:17

HOW DO WE HEAR THEN?

Reading the Bible

Heb 4:12 "For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

Hearing the spoken word of truth

2 Tim 3:16-17 "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."

The fellowship and Communion of saints

Matt 18:20 "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever.

Number 23:1

God is not like people, who lie; He is not a human who changes his mind. Whatever he promises, he does; He speaks, and it is done.

2 Timothy 2:13

if we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself.

Psalms 89:34

I will not violate My covenant or alter the utterance of My lips.

HOW DOES THIS HAPPEN?!!!!!!

- When our eyes are not fixed on Him... our faith begins to erode (*passively or directly*)
- When we are not connected to the source... you start to lose sensitivity to His voice
- When there is no intimacy in a relationship... you begin to feel detached
We all know people who turned away. Some were influential leaders, authors, artists, friends, family

This is reality of sin

There are so many seductive counterfeit solutions that will leave you feeling empty, dirty, and further from God.

There is only one God... The only one that restores you and makes you whole

What does it mean to *come into agreement with your wound*?

It means that you have ***knowingly or unknowingly bought into*** the emotional messages/***value statements (the lie)*** that **IT** is telling you about yourself.

Hindering your ability to see the evidence of His love and goodness in your life

The wound (with its hurt, guilt, shame, unforgiveness/bitterness) **becomes a lens** through which the person then sees themselves and relates to others, and interprets new data within their environment

Don't let your wound turn you into something that you're not. You are more than what happened to you.

John 4

The Samaritan woman at the well

[Watch video]

- Notice her wound
- He had to work through that wound to reach her
- Barrier addressed, she is able to see

21 Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father.

22 “You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. **23** “But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. **24** “God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” **25** The woman said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us.” **26** Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am *He*.”

Two additional thoughts about that exchange

A lesson in ministering to others:

In reaching people, Jesus acknowledged the hurt, and was able to see past the mistakes that she made. He showed us how to love the lost.

His love changes hearts! Ask God to help you.

Personal application:

My unaddressed wounds become a hindrance, and impacts how I relate with others?

The Love of God can heal! Ask God to help you.

Wholeness & Holiness

The Holy God is the only one that can make you whole. You are only complete when you are in unity with Him. This happens through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross, and the forgiveness of sins, making you clean and righteous, and united with the Holy God.

John 17:21-23 “²¹that they may all be one; even as You, Father, *are* in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me. ²²“The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one; ²³I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me

He wants your heart. Worship Him in Spirit and Truth.

John 4:6-9 “God *is* Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

Acts 2:37-38 “³⁷When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and asked Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” ³⁸ Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”

How we can agree with the will of God in addressing wounds:

- 1. The Holy Spirit reveals the wound/and the root lie associated with it. Ask him to show you.**
- 2. Acknowledge it with Him. Repent of knowingly or unknowingly agreeing with that root lie. Renounce it.**
- 3. With another believer, come into agreement that the power of that lie is broken. Ask God to uproot the lie, and replace it with the truth of what He says about who you are and your value/worth.**

If you would like someone to pray with
you, come forward.

Happy Mother's Day!