

The Soul Winner's Manual

LECTURE 2 OUTLINE BY RALPH "YANKEE" ARNOLD

The Message: God's Plan of Salvation (THE GOOD NEWS)

DOCTRINE - #5 Christ made a complete payment for all sin and offers His righteousness.

1. (II Cor. 5:21) "For He (God) hath made Him (Christ) **to be sin for us**, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him". Christ never sinned. He lived a perfect life. He took our sins upon Himself, paid for them, that He might give us God's righteousness.
2. (Isa. 53:6) "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath **laid on Him** the iniquity of us all". God allowed Christ to take our sin upon Himself and pay for it ALL.
3. (I Peter 3:18) "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the **Just for the unjust**, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit". Christ was the Just that died for the unjust, so that we could live forever in heaven with the Lord.
4. (I Peter 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". Jesus paid for our sins by Himself. He needed no help. We are made whole because He took our punishment.
5. (Col. 2:13, 14) "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...and took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross". He then forgave you all trespasses. He can forgive us because He took all our sins and paid for them.
6. (Titus 2:14) "Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity..."
7. (Acts 13:38, 39) "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" Keeping the law could not save you. But Christ paid for all sin; so, if you believe in Him, He will forgive you and justify you from all the wrong you have done.
8. (Heb 10:10,14) "By the which will we are sanctified **through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ**, once for all. For by one offering He hath perfected forever them that are sanctified". It is God's will that we are made pure and holy because Jesus offered Himself for our sins. **His ONE payment was sufficient for all sins, of all time, for all people.** By this ONE offering we who believe are made perfect forever. We are pure and holy through His death.
9. (Rom. 4:25) Had Christ not fully paid for all sin, we could not receive justification, and He would not have come back from the dead Since the payment for sin is death, He would still be in that grave. But Christ is risen from the dead, proving God is satisfied with the payment for sin that Christ made.

Who is guilty of His death? Jesus Himself told us no man TOOK His life. Listen to His words, "...I lay down My life, that I might take it again. No man TAKETH it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself..." (John 10:17, 18). I am as guilty of His death as anyone else. He died for me.

Why did Christ come to earth? To live? Or to die? "For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but...to give His life a ransom for many (Mark 10:45). A ransom is a price paid to free someone from captivity. Christ died to pay the full price of our sin to free us from our captivity to the satanic wages of our sin.

What do we lack? We lack righteousness. God is anxiously waiting to give us His righteousness. God gives His righteousness to whoever accepts Christ's payment for their sin...and He gives His righteousness the moment the person accepts Christ (II Cor. 5:21). The righteousness of God is given only by faith - never by works (Rom 4:5-8; 4:22-24; 9:30-32).

PRESENTATION- Since this is the heart of the gospel, you should carefully go over the verses teaching Christ paid for all sin. If the person does not accept the teaching of Scripture at first, reiterate trying to make the verses as clear to the person as you can.

DOCTRINE - #6 All man must do to be saved is to **BELIEVE** Jesus was the Lord who paid for all his sin - **RECEIVE** Christ as his Saviour. God gives eternal life only to those who will accept it by faith alone.

1. John 33:16, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that **whosoever believeth** in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Notice it is not to those who try to work and earn their eternal life but to those who believe.
2. John 6:47, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me **HATH** everlasting life." Christ who never told one lie, emphasized by saying, Truthfully, truthfully, he that believes on Me **possesses now** everlasting life.
3. John 1:12, "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name." **Salvation is always RECEIVING.** To give or offer to Christ something for salvation is works for salvation.
4. John 6:28,29, "Then said they unto Him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on Him whom He hath sent." **GOD** did the work. God only asks of us that we believe on Christ.
5. Philippians 3:9, "And be found in Him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith." You are found "in Christ" not by trying to get to heaven by your own righteousness, but by receiving Christ's righteousness by faith. God counts you righteous because of your faith not because of your works (Rom. 4:5).

Ephesians 2:8,9

For by grace: By mercy from God that we do not deserve.

Are ye saved: Not helped, instructed but "saved."

Through faith: Not through your church, yourself, or anything else. Just through faith.

And that not of yourselves: Not by what you do- regardless.

It is the gift of God: It is a gift. It is not sold for any price. The price would be too high.

Not of works: Doesn't mean you will help Him some. "Not of works" means **NOT** of works!

Lest any man should boast: No braggarts in heaven, (I Cor. 1:29). All praise will be to the Lord.

1. Galatians 3:22, "But the Scripture hath concluded all under sin that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe." God promises to save only those who believe.
2. Galatians 3:26, "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus." You become a child of God **through your faith** in Christ.
3. Romans 5:1, "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Since I trusted Christ, God sees me justified – "just as if I'd never sinned." God sees Christ's righteousness instead of my sin.
4. Acts 13:38,39, "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." Through Christ you are justified from all things – past, present, and future. Do not despise God's grace. Do not reject God's grace. If you could have been saved through your own efforts, Christ's death would have been useless. Calvary would have been a mistake. "I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain" (Gal. 2:21).

PRESENTATION- Since the greatest majority of those you meet are trying to somehow "work their way" to heaven, it will follow that they are not trusting Christ alone for their salvation. It is important to remember as you deal with them that they probably have never **REALLY** understood the gospel. Most churches that are "Christian" in name do not make the plan of salvation clear; some do not even know what the plan of salvation is to begin with.

Millions of people are so fed up with this counterfeit type of Christianity they have heard all their life from Sunday School days on up, that they do not even want to discuss "religion."

1. **Sympathize with them.** Explain that what you want to talk about is not a religion. Do not insinuate that they are "stupid," etc. Remember, they do not know the truth. Sometimes it will be easier to lead to the Lord those who have rejected "religion," because at least they have recognized something was not "right" about what they had been taught.
2. **Complement them** on their insight. Agree with people wherever you can. Again the issue is between "grace and works." Until they see that Christ's death completely paid for their sin, they will not be ready to rely on that payment alone naturally. Keep showing them the verses and get them to see that this is what God has to say about the matter.
3. Sometimes a person will question your authority to speak on theological issues. **Explain to him** that it is not a question of his opinion versus yours. You are showing him what GOD has said. He is the authority.

Before asking a person to trust Christ as his Saviour, it is always important to explain to him that he can **know** he has eternal life from the moment he does believes.

DOCTRINE - #7 Man can know he has eternal life. Eternal Life IS eternal.

1. (Rom. 6:23) "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is ETERNAL LIFE through Jesus Christ our Lord" Notice, the gift of God is ETERNAL LIFE-not, "life until you sin again," nor "life until you backslide."
2. Notice what John 3:16 is saying, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have EVERLASTING LIFE." How long is EVERLASTING? Is it six months? Ten years? Does it start and stop? No! Everlasting life is FOR EVER AND EVER!
3. God's gift is SALvation...not PRObation. God's gift is eternal life...not temporary life.
4. John 6:47 "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on Me hath EVERLASTING LIFE." "Hath everlasting life" is present tense. If you have EVERLASTING LIFE right now, you are safe forever. You do not wait until you die to receive everlasting life. You receive it the instant you trust Christ as your Saviour.
5. I John 5:13, "These things have I written unto you that believe on the Name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have ETERNAL LIFE, and that ye may believe on the Name of the Son of God."

This is written to a certain class of people-not to the rich or poor, American or African, Jew or Gentile, Buddhist or Baptist-but to those who believe on the Name of the Son of God. His name is Jesus. "Jesus" comes from the Greek translation of the Hebrew words "Jehovah Yasha" and means "the eternal, self-existent God who **saves and keeps**." Those who believe Jesus is the Lord and trust Him to save them and keep them saved can KNOW they have ETERNAL LIFE. You do not need to hope, think, guess, or pray for it. You can KNOW you have it.

WHEN GOD PROMISES YOU CAN KNOW YOU HAVE ETERNAL LIFE, YOU CAN COUNT ON IT, BECAUSE GOD CANNOT LIE. (Titus 1:2)

PRESENTATION-After you have gone over what the name "Jesus" means, ask the person, "Is this written to you? Do you believe on the Name of the Son of God?" Once the person actually receives Christ as his Saviour, there should be no difficulty for him to realize he now has eternal life.

Those who do not know they will be saved forever are usually not saved to start with. Heaven is the tremendous inheritance of the children of God, and for a Christian to lack the full assurance of knowing he will go to heaven when he dies would be a great tragedy.

Below are listed **salvation verses** which would be of great benefit to you to have memorized. You should memorize most of them so well that you could quote them readily. Know the address of where they are in the Bible so that you can turn to them quickly. The reasons for memorizing these verses are many:

- (1) You can have the person read the verse, and you will be free to watch his eyes and expressions as he reads. For you to know his reaction as he reads will help you witness to him further.
- (2) You might not have your Bible with you when you have the opportunity to witness, so you will need to quote the verses.
- (3) Knowing the Scriptures this well will give you confidence as you witness. It is the Word of God that the Holy Spirit blesses. When you know the Scriptures, you will be amazed at how the Lord will bring just the right ones to your mind that will fit the need of the person.

We believe the Bible, in its original documents, is the inspired Word of God, the written record of His supernatural revelation of Himself to man, absolute in its authority, complete in its revelation, final in its content, and without any errors in its statements (II Timothy 3:16; John 10:35; Psalms 89:34; Hebrews 6:18; II Peter 3:16)

Use the King James Version (KJV) in your Bible study, memorization of Scripture, and the preaching of God's Word to the lost. It is important that one accepted translation of the Scripture be used to avoid confusion. I Peter 1:23-25

MEMORY VERSES

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| * Romans 3:23 | I Peter 2:24 | Isaiah 64:6 |
| * Romans 6:23 | Hebrews 10:10,14 | Ephesians 2:1 |
| * John 3:16 | | Mark 10:45 |
| * John 6:47 | | II Peter 3:13 |
| * John 1:12 | | Revelation 21:27 |
| * Ephesians 2:8,9 | | I John 3:2 |
| * Romans 4:5 | | John 6:28,29 |
| * Philippians 3:9 | | Galatians 3:22-26 |
| * Galatians 2:16 | | Romans 5:8-11 |
| * Romans 3:28 | | Titus 1:2; Titus 2:14 |
| * Acts 13:38,39 | | Romans 11:6 |
| * II Corinthians 5:21 | | I Peter 3:18 |
| * I John 5:10-13 | | Isaiah 53:6 |

Note: If you are unaccustomed to memorizing Scripture, we recommend you start with the verses marked *.

LEARN TO USE THE “WALLET” ILLUSTRATION IN THE PRESENTATION OF THE 7 DOCTRINES OF THE GOSPEL STORY.