

# OVERWHELMING GRACE

## “The Immutability of Grace” – Video #2 – Notes

- ✚ Hebrews 6:13 – Promise to Abraham
  - God Swore by Himself to Abraham- there was none any greater to swear by than Himself -GOD.
  - Immutability=unchangeable – Attribute to God
    - Truths become “Anchors” to our soul
      - (Story Morris tells about He and Debbie “anchoring”
- ✚ When a Story Comes – will your ANCHOR hold?
- ✚ Hebrews 6:13-20 – God’s Promise of Hope
  - For example: There was God’s promise to Abraham. Since there was no greater to swear by, God took an oath in His own name, saying: “I will certainly bless you, and I will multiply your descendants beyond number”
  - Then Abraham WAITED PATIENTLY, and he received what God had promised him.
  - Now, when people take an oath, they call someone greater than themselves to hold on to them. Without question, that oath is binding.
  - God also bound himself with an oath, so that those who received the promise could be perfectly sure that He would NEVER CHANGE HIS MIND.
    - So, God has given both his promise and his oath.
    - These two things are unchangeable because it is impossible for God to lie.
  - Therefore, we who have fled to him for refuge, can have great confidence as we hold to the hope that lies before us.
  - This hope is a strong and trustworthy ANCHOR for our soul.
  - It leads us through the curtain into God’s inner sanctuary.
  - Jesus has already gone in there for us, he has become our Eternal High Priest in the order of Melchizedek.
  - God SWORE BY HIMSELF!

- ✚ Anytime someone makes an oath, they do so by someone greater than themselves to be able to end any disputes.
  - Example: In court, a witness puts his hand on the bible, raises his other hand and swears to God – no one is greater than God.
- ✚ Morris tells stories about his wife family and all of them having the middle name: “Bob or Wayne” Billy Bob, Bobby Wayne.
- ✚ God comes to Abraham and says, “I want to make an oath with you”. And you make an oath with someone greater than you are.
  - Since there is NO ONE greater than I AM, I AM going to swear by my own name.
    - Story/comment where Morris repeats “I Swear it!” “I Swear it!” “Will this be okay if God does this for me?”
    - The swearing oath was – God swearing to BLESS ABRAHAM
- ✚ NASB- Hebrews 6:17
  - In the same way, God desiring even more to show to the heirs (me and you) of the promise. The unchangeableness of His purpose.
- ✚ Galatians 3:9
  - And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abrahams seed, and heirs according to the promise.
  - If I believe in Jesus – I am an heir to the promise.
- ✚ God is saying- I came to bless you- I swear it to you!
  - And I am going to CONFIRM this with an OATH and 2 things that cannot change.
    - I cannot lie.
- ✚ Jesus is our High Priest forever
- ✚ Jesus is our Mediator of the New Covenant
- ✚ Hebrews 7:17
  - And every priest stands ministering DAILY and offering REPEATEDLY the same sacrifices which can NEVER TAKE A WAY SINS.
    - Many priests..... Jesus is the High Priest Amen!

✚ Hebrews 10:12

- But this man (JESUS), after he had offered ONE SACRIFICE FOR sins, forever, SAT DOWN at the right hand of God. He sat down because it is FINISHED!

✚ So, does this mean ALL my sin(s) prior salvation are forgiven? YES!

✚ Does it mean any sin(s) I do today or next week are forgiven? YES!

✚ How do we ACT?

- Robert shares example.

✚ We act like we are close to God when we DO GOOD and have a good week, and NOT SO CLOSE TO GOD when we sin and have a bad week (Getting caught up in works here)

✚ Yes, we need to deal with sin(s).

- Beating ourselves up doesn't make us right with God
  - Jesus was beat up for ALL our sins
    - We can't DO anything to change His UNCHANGEABLE LOVE FOR US.
    - We do need to CONFESS and REPENT when we sin.

✚ Hebrews 8:6

- But NOW He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a Better Covenant, which was established on better promises.

- Two reasons why the new covenant is better:

- 1. It cleanses our conscience – OT could not do that under the Law

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How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead work(s) to serve the living God?

- Hebrews 10:1
  - For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices which they offer CONTINUALLY YEAR BY YEAR, MAKE THOSE WHO APPROACH PERFECT.
- Hebrews 10:12
  - For then, would they not have ceased to be offered?
    - For the worshippers
      - ONCE PURIFIED, would have had NO MORE CONSCIENCE OF SINS

✚ The law can't cleanse our conscience, but Jesus can!

✚ A dead work is a work to try and gain Gods approval.

✚ We gain God's approval by FAITH

✚ Morris tells story about Pastors saying we were not sin conscience enough.

- What about always thinking about GRACE and ALL Jesus did and does?
  - You become what you look at!
  - Whatever you FOCUS on, you will BECOME or DO

✚ Law says: DON'T DON'T DON'T DON'T or Do Do Do Do

✚ Morris tells a really good story about the wonderful birthday party and telling the children what they could do and what they should never do!

✚ Morris shows a new box illustration on the board – similar to previous week when we studied "Righteousness of Grace"

