

CLAIMING OUR ATONEMENT RIGHTS

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Our Atonement Rights are what Jesus Christ has given us, freely, through the work that He accomplished on Calvary's Cross.

In the beginning when Adam chose to listen to Satan instead of God, it caused all the trouble and sorrow that there has ever been from that time until now. As a result, everyone born from that time on has been subject to Satan.

We were also born with the idea that we can make our own way in this world. However, that is just opposite to what God had planned. When anyone tries to make their own way in this life and ignore all that God has provided for them, they will greatly lose out.

We were made to go by Divine power, to have God manage and control our lives; to have Him heal our bodies and protect us from all sickness and disease without using the slightest human plan or means for relief. He wants to keep us in perfect peace, and not have the least worry or anxiety. He is the one who wants to control and manage us, our family, and our homes, and also to supply our financial needs.

God tells us plainly in Proverbs 3:17 that 'His ways are ways of pleasantness, and all His paths are peace'.

It is not God's will for us to go through any kind of hardship or have any trouble in any part of our lives. Many people do not realize this and put up with unpleasant conditions, bear burdens, and have many hardships that God never intended for them to have.

We can be free from all this because of what Jesus did for us on Calvary's Cross. All sins, sickness, disease, poverty, and troubles of every kind, have all been taken away. The first Adam brought all this upon this world. The second Adam has taken it all away by His sacrifice on the Cross. He hung on the Cross in great agony for six hours, and then died, just to deliver us from all our sins, sicknesses, aches and pains and everything else that would disturb our peace, it has all been borne away, and we are a delivered people.

Not only that, but it has also placed God and all of His power and resources at our service, for our own use, wherever we may be. We have as much right to the use of God

and His omnipotent power as we have of our own right hand. It is as much ours as anything else that we may have or own.

It is necessary to know just what our Atonement rights and privileges are and how we may take possession of them through the great provision that God has made. God has not only made provision for our full deliverance out of all trouble, but He has also included the power to receive it; and that is, the spiritual light and strength we need to see and to receive these blessings. He does the whole work.

God always comes down to where we are and leads us up to where He wants us to be. He has plans for us, and when rightly understood, it will take us right out of our troubles and right in to perfect victory. If we continue to listen to the devil's plans and ideas and not accept God's plans and provision that He has set up for us; it will only lead into more trouble and sorrow.

The Atonement of Christ has not only given us the right to be delivered from our old evil nature, but also our spiritual blindness, all resentment, and every other evil thing that we inherited from the first Adam.

Jesus Christ has given us that Divine right to have everything that pertains to the old life removed, and to have, in the place of it, God's righteousness, or to have the very character of Jesus. It is our Blood-bought right to have that. Paul brings that out in the fifth chapter of Romans, verse 15.

But God's free gift immeasurably outweighs the transgression. For if through the transgression of the one individual the mass of mankind have died, infinitely greater is the generosity with which God's grace, and the gift given in His grace which found expression in the one man Jesus Christ, have been bestowed on the mass of mankind.

We have a Divine right to have perfect peace of mind, and deliverance from all worry and trouble. It is not God's will for us to be worried or upset about anything. Not many people know that all worry and anxiety have one cause and one author, and that is Satan himself. He is the one who paints to our mind the black pictures and evil forebodings.

He suggests what terrible things will happen to us if we do not go his way. If we believe what he says, we are bound to get just what he suggests. When we believe Satan's lies and accept them as truth, it allows him to bring the evil things upon us.

God cannot help us when we believe Satan and reject God's word. Whatever master we obey, his servant we are. If we listen to Satan, to that extent we will find trouble and sorrow. God is powerless to help us. On the other hand, God is able to deliver us from Satan's disturbing thoughts and can put in our minds His own perfect peace.

There are people who are burdened down with trouble and despair, but God can deliver them from every care and burden and fill them with His peace in a very short time. God has given us that right to perfect peace. It was purchased for us and given to us by the Blood of Christ on Calvary's Cross. When we believe it and receive it, it opens the door for every other blessing.

As long as we are worried and upset, Satan can work, but when we refuse to worry and claim God's peace, God can work, and it is only God that can enable us to rest in peace. We can try to rest in peace in our own efforts, but the more we try the more upset we will be.

Peace is a gift from God and must be received from Him. It cannot come by our own efforts.

The 53rd chapter of Isaiah tells us---"The chastisement of our peace was upon Him." That means anything and everything that would disturb our peace or cause trouble in our life has all been borne away on the Cross, and the entire power of God is back of it to give us that perfect peace from anything that Satan would try to oppress us with.

We have also been given the right to complete control of our families. That is where the devil tries to fool people. They get their eyes on their loved ones, instead of that great deliverance that has been provided for them.

We have a perfect right to warn our children against doing anything that we know is not according to God's will. But that is as far as we can go to get them to do what is right. When we tell our children to do a certain thing, we cannot depend on what we say to get them to obey. Every command we give, or favor we ask of our children, we need to depend on the power of God alone, to make them obey.

When children do unscriptural things and disobey us, it is the devil who is back of such actions, we are helpless to cope with him. It takes a higher power to get them to obey, and that is God alone.

We are told in the 103rd Psalm, that the righteousness of parents reaches to our children's children, and when we, as parents take the right attitude to God and His Truth, in the handling of our children, we will have model children, who not only want to take a right attitude to us but also towards God's full Truth.

Our Atonement rights have also provided every financial need that we may have. We have fallen heir to God's great financial wealth. When we know our Atonement Rights, and claim them, we will never suffer any financial difficulty.

We have a perfect right to have a comfortable home, comfortable chairs to recline on when we are tired, BUT, never for a moment if we are sick.

This is a very necessary thing about our Atonement Rights, it does not allow us to lay around waiting for our healing. If we are sick, we cannot pay one bit of attention to symptoms. The more strenuous we act out our faith, the stronger we will become, and will also enjoy better health.

The Blood of Christ has given us everything we desire to make us happy in this life.

2 Corinthians 8:9, *"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich."*

The first thing we need to do to obtain these blessings that have all been provided by that work on the Cross, is to settle it to get these Blood-bought Rights from God alone. Never for a moment should we allow the devil to get us to do the least thing besides getting our deliverance from God. Even if it costs us our life, we should never look for our deliverance from any other source, but only from God alone.

God has all power in Heaven and earth, but we can tie His hands and hinder His love, mercy, and power from working, by just looking to, or trusting in any other source, instead of Him. By doing that, we have lost our Atonement Rights.

The work of our Savior on Calvary's Cross rendered Satan a paralyzed, conquered foe, and by listening to and acting on the thoughts Satan puts in our mind, we have given him back all his power and he is the same roaring lion as he was before he was conquered on the Cross.

Since Satan has been paralyzed at the Cross, he cannot harm us in any way whatever, but the moment we trust in something else besides God, or have it in our heart to do so, it opens the door for Satan to come right in and do all he pleases.

It is very important to settle it to go through with trusting God alone for all our help, and under no circumstance look to man and follow his many plans for this life. It would be useless to pray for any deliverance until that is settled finally and forever. We could have everybody in the world pray for us, but it would be wasted time, if we have it in our heart to go to man for help instead of going through with God.

We are to insist on having our Blood-bought rights. We must reject the thoughts that Satan will suggest to our minds, such as, "I will trust God as best as I can, but if I don't get what I want, I'll just do without for the time being." That is a thought directly from the father of lies, Satan himself, because God says in 2 Corinthians 6:2:

"I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee:(or helped thee; made a way for thee) behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation."

If Satan is robbing us of our Divine inheritance, it is because we are listening to his lies instead of listening to God and the plan that He has laid out for us in His Holy Word.

James 4:7 tells us to, *"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."*

There is no reason for us to suffer Satan's oppressions when we have the great God of Heaven at our side, in the person of the Holy Spirit, with all power and authority in Heaven and earth.

Jesus told us in Matthew 28:20, *"lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."*

That means to refuse to bear Satan's oppressions any longer, and insist on having our Atonement rights, through that great work of Jesus Christ on Calvary's Cross. Because God is always by our side and wants us to have all things that make us happy and well.

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