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Sermon Outline for Sunday, November 19th, 2017

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“Liberal Christians Have No Clothes” Covenant Gospel pt. 7

I Text: Old Covenant: (*Exodus 14:5-30*)

New Covenant: (*Colossians 2:9-15*)--- *9For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.*

10And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power: 11In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: 12Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with [him] through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. 13And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; 14Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; 15[And] having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

II Doctrine: The Lord Jesus Christ is God come to us in the flesh. By his power he has reversed the curse of death and gives his people life. Jesus goes beyond physical circumcision and circumcises our hearts. Only a circumcised heart enables us to respond in faith to the Gospel call. We express our faith in his death, burial, and resurrection through the act of baptism. We are symbolically buried in the act of baptism and raised to life a new creature in Christ. Jesus delivers us from the waters of death just like he did for his Old Testament people. Our past life of sin is no longer held against us. Our debts are no longer recorded and we are free to love and commune with our God.

III Reasons:

- 1) The formula for the Gospel cannot be changed. (*1 Corinthians 15:1-4*)
- 2) God rescuing us from waters of destruction is a recurring message in the Bible. (*Genesis 8:13-22*)
- 3) Rituals and shadows cannot replace the being they represent. (*Deuteronomy 30:1-6*)

IV Application:

- 1) When “liberal” Christians create a new inclusive Gospel they are no longer Christian. (*Genesis 3:1-6;21*)
- 2) Progressive Christianity will progress in becoming something other than Christianity.
- 3) Even if it costs us dearly a Christian must be the one to tell the “Emperor He Has No Clothes.” (*Hans Christian Anderson*)