

RADIO TRANSCRIPT #42

singing : "Thy mercy my GOD" #11

Welcome friends to another broadcast of "Morsels for Zion's Poor"

One of the first things that young children become concerned about, especially if they have brothers and sisters, is the concept of "fairness" or "equity". They are seldom concerned that this same "fairness" be demonstrated to their siblings, but are adamant that it be administered to them when it is to their own advantage. Adults, unfortunately, are not much different even though experience teaches them that the affairs of this world seem seldom fair, in the human perception.

Because man has the "*law written in his heart*" (see Rom 2:15) he can readily see what he believes to be "inequity", when it concerns himself, but he cannot embrace true "justice". He can easily overlook his own "unfairness" towards others as long as he feels that he is being treated "fairly", which in his own mind means that he gains an advantage..

GOD's justice derives solely from HIS own character and sovereign will. GOD is just in all that HE does simply because HE is GOD. Justice is defined by what HE does and HE answers to no tribunal but HIS own purpose and will. HIS justice most certainly cannot be weighed by men. It is pure folly and wickedness that would ever cause a man to consider a scenario (either real or hypothetical) which would result in him labeling GOD as unjust.

Whatever action the LORD is pleased to take will most certainly be just and right. HIS justice does not hinge upon what we perceive to be just. When HIS holy character is revealed unto a man, then he is also given the understanding that whatever GOD undertakes to do; whether it be unto our benefit or unto our destruction, is surely just. Job understood this concept when HE said, "*Though HE slay me yet will I trust HIM.*"

We most often hear the questioning of GOD's justice brought forth when the doctrine of unconditional election and its companion doctrine, particular redemption; are discussed by those who are ignorant of GOD's purpose in the earth or either in rebellion against HIS sovereign prerogative to do with HIS own as HE sees fit.

Those who worship at the shrine of "free will", usually have no qualms at all of seeking to sit in judgment of GOD's "justice". They come up with all sorts of scenario's to "explain" the entrance of sin into the world and usually conclude by saying that unless it is strictly a matter of man's "free will" then GOD would be "unjust" to destroy him for it. Away with such nonsense. All things are ordered by the LORD to occur exactly according to HIS eternal purpose, none can stay HIS hand nor question HIS doing. GOD is JUST and will do all things according to HIS justice.

When a man is brought into a court of law, he can forget about mercy, for there is no such thing as mercy when the decision of that court is to be based upon the law. If this is true in the courts of this world where men preside, it is doubly true when they are brought before the solemn tribunal of a Thrice HOLY GOD. HE may show mercy but HE will be "just."

There is ONE who has stood in the Judgement Hall of GOD, awaiting the just sentence of the JUDGE. HE does not plead there for mercy for HIS elect bride, even though she surely stands in need of it. Rather HE demands justice for all of those for whom HE has shed HIS blood and presently stands as an ADVOCATE and SUBSTITUTE. HE imputes HIS righteousness to those for which HE came and manifests HIS own righteousness before the judgment bar of GOD, in their behalf, declaring HIS own perfections to be theirs. The justice of GOD demands that those who are perfect and without the least taint of sin be found accepted according to the law under which they are subjected, and thus HE demands their justification.

The same law that demands payment for sin demands freedom for those who are not guilty. CHRIST is our LAWKEEPER. Justice and mercy are met together in JESUS CHRIST. If HE has paid our debt we must go free. We declare "*I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.*" (Rom 3:26)

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