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All of the ways of men, whether in pursuit of their lusts or their religion, are entered into by them with the desire to escape or turn a blind eye to the inescapable truth that, *“it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.”* The word **“must”** appears 132 times in the KJV. The vast majority of the times that it appears in the NT, it is translated from the Greek word which means, “it is necessary or binding; that which shall occur.” There is no equivocation where we find this word, nothing can prevent that which **“must”** happen. GOD reveals HIMSELF to be the cause of those things which **“must”** occur. If all things occur randomly, no occurrence could be described in this fashion. Thus, GOD reveals HIS SOVEREIGNTY by the simple concept of this noble word, must.

The unfolding purpose of GOD in the redemption of HIS elect bride is seen as HE ordained the very place where the REDEEMER would be condemned and put to death for HIS people. *“From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.”* Not only did HE mark out the place, but also the means whereby this would happen. *“Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain.”* *“He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.”*

Every step of HIS sojourn among the sons of men was ordered in such a fashion that HE would seek and save HIS sheep that were lost. There were a multitude of people along HIS pathway, and HE could go anywhere HE desired to go, yet we see HIM fulfilling HIS purpose to bring salvation to a particular Samaritan woman at a well on a particular day. *“And he must needs go through Samaria.”* She could have been nowhere else and HE would be exactly where she was with the exact message which she needed to hear, yea she **must** hear.

In like fashion we see HIM bring salvation to the house of Zaccheus. *“And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house. And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.”* The Pharisees said, in disgust, that HE went to be a guest at the house of a sinner. They were right because HE came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance. *“And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I **must** bring, and they **shall** hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.”*

When HE spoke with Nicodemus, the LORD described the operation of HIS SPIRIT which is a necessity for a man to see the Kingdom of GOD. *“Ye **must** be born again.”* Vain is the man who thinks that he can somehow exercise “faith” or come to the LORD apart from this supernatural work which must precede all of a man’s inclinations towards seeking the way of GOD. *“There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.”* Men can pursue all sorts of religion and even adopt a level of morality by the operation of their will, but it is only by this “birth from above” that a man is brought to fall upon his face in repentance towards HIM whose glory HE is awakened to behold. The LORD has sent HIS messengers into the Earth with the *“Gospel of the glory of the blessed GOD,”* and nothing can prevent them in *“bringing LIFE and IMMORTALITY to light”* for those to whom HE has appointed to hear it. *“For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.”* *“As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.”* *“And the gospel **must** first be published among all nations.”* This gospel is summarized by the LORD when HE said, *“The Son of man **must** suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.”*

Those for whom HE has shed HIS precious blood as a LAMB without spot or blemish **must** be saved. *“There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we **must** be saved.”* Has HE taken away your sins, and made you willing to call upon HIM, in the day of HIS power?

*“Thy free grace alone,”*#11 **If you would like a free transcript of this broadcast email us at [forthepoor@windstream.net](mailto:forthepoor@windstream.net)**