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Talk is not Cheap

Is always relevant, issue of forgiveness. Because that is how you came to the faith in the first place, is so central to our faith. And this journey is a journey of faith, we have Jesus who is the author and finisher of our faith. If you ever think of ever receiving healing or you are interested in healing at all in your life, you need to understand this forgiveness, because it is central to healing, even for salvation and on and on.

So if it has been a course in the University, we would have said this course of forgiveness, this issue of forgiveness is so central. It's not an elective. It's the main course. And is even a pre-qualifying course for every other course and any other subject because if you don't understand this, you cannot understand and pass the other subjects. So it's at that important. And on that note we will like you to stay on with us, on this issue of forgiveness, no matter how long it takes us to really understand it. Is very important as I've rightly put it out.

So if you have not listen to how we started from the Lord's prayer on the issue of forgiveness. We started with **Forgiveness: Understanding the Shift**. Then we moved to **Love is not blind** and then to the last transmission, we say **Can you foot the Bill?** And today we might be talking about **Talk is not cheap**. So you really need to follow us as we go on this.

Do you agree that the last transmission was like the pre-climax of this?

Yes it actually prepare us for what we are going to be sharing today by the grace of God.

Again don't forget the focus is, if we understand these things we are sharing, it's supposed to evoke a kind of response in our daily living. Not just vertically to God but horizontally among people.

Yes, because for **Can you foot the Bill?** I know some people might be arrogant and adamant and feel like yes, they can foot the bill.

And they might be having scriptures that says we should work out our salvation but they are not paying attention to the tenses. Again we come back to the issue of tenses here that says work out not work for your salvation. So people are just in a way of trying to prove themselves right to know that it is work out. And this verse of the

scripture readily comes to mind, 1Corinthians Chapter 7. I think is a panacea for this kind of thought.

It says

Having therefore these promises let us cleanse ourselves from

So for the other words like we shared in the last transmission, the other word

having therefore these promises,

You really have to understand that there are promises in place for. Before you say let us cleanse ourselves.

So is not about cleansing ourselves to have these promises. He did not say let us cleanse ourselves to have these promises.

Therefore having these promises

And that is about the death in the foot the bill. About understanding the lascivious grace of God.

So join us as we continue on this story because we need to get the end of the matter.

Now, viewers if you notice in our last transmission, **Can you foot the Bill? We** actually specifically stopped on Luke Chapter 5. We are looking at the case of that man that Jesus offered forgiveness without the man even asking for forgiveness. Is on that case that we are on, and we are going to continue from Luke 5 verse 22 just to gain more insight on this.

Can you just read verse 22 please?

Luke 5

22. But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answering said unto them, what reason ye in your hearts?

Now, if you look at the Matthew's account in Matthew Chapter 9 from verse 1, the exact account of this same event in history. Matthew Chapter 9 recorded that Jesus said why do you think evil in your heart? That is what Matthew's Account was of this same Verse 22 of Luke Chapter 5. Jesus said that is evil thinking.

Some of us, you are wondering that when somebody thinks evil, you are thinking that the person is thinking about things that are ungodly, things that are dirty, things that are not clean, things that are sinful, immorality, and all these kind of thoughts. Those are the things that we think are evil thinking.

But Jesus in Matthew's 9 account of this same event said just for the fact that you don't even understand this whole notion of forgiveness, you are thinking evil. That is evil thinking. He says why do you reason this in your heart? But Matthew said that is evil thinking...Same thing

What does verse 23 says?

23. Whether is easier to say thy sins be forgiven thee or to say rise up and walk

Now that is the word "whether is easier to say" Say what?

thy sins be forgiven thee or to say rise up and walk

Now, let's slow down a bit on this because it is very critical now.

Jesus was asking those Pharisees who were thinking evil in their heart regarding forgiveness, saying, how you think about forgiveness determine whether you are doing evil thinking or doing righteous thinking.

Now, Jesus did not say... it is very good to emphasize what He did not say before we emphasize what He said. He did not say which one is easier.

Now relax I didn't say... just look at it. He didn't say which one is easier. All He say is which one is easier is to say. The problem is in the saying not even in the event.

Now, let's slow down on this because there is something the Holy Ghost is pointing out for the body of Christ to walk in, in this particular verse. Jesus said there are some sayings that are easier when you say them. But some things are very hard when you say them.

Now, like people talk about the fact that talk is cheap. Now, Jesus is saying there are some talking you can engage in that are not cheap. Some talking will cost you. Jesus is saying there are words, which one is expensive to say or which one is more costlier when you say them? That your sins be forgiven.

Jesus is saying, saying that your sins is forgiven is a costly talk. It's an expensive talk. Saying that your sins are forgiven.

And this is the reason, you know if you place an order over the phone for something, you want to buy something on credit. You don't want to pay the supplier of the goods or the supplier of the service. You don't want to pay them before you get the goods. You just take your phone and make the phone order on credit. And you say I want you to deliver 20 pieces or 10 pieces of that material.

Do you know as soon as you place that phone order for that particular goods or that particular service, do you know if they deliver those goods or services you are already in debt even that you have not paid? Just because you made the phone order means it put you in debt because if the goods and services are deliver, you are in debt because you have to pay back based on the fact that you made the phone order.

Jesus said by simply telling this man your sins are forgiven, I have already incurred a cost. This is expensive talk. This is going to cost me.

Now, think about it. It means He is saying this is a talking that... so when I told this man, your sins are forgiven, that was expensive. And the reason why it was expensive to say that was because... we said in our last transmission, every time there is forgiveness, it has to be that somebody that has to pay. There is a debt to pay.

So when Jesus made that statement to this man, he incurred the debt. Jesus incurred a debt, and that debt was not settled until He went to the cross and paid with his own life.

So whatever Jesus told that man on that day incurred a debt on the account of Jesus, and Jesus knew he had to pay. So that is why He said this is expensive talk. This is not easy to say. It is very hard to talk about. I know I said your sins are forgiven, but it was expensive to say that, because I was going to ultimately go and pay for the debt that that man owe. Can you see that?

And this is what we've been emphasizing that talking about the grace of God, talking about the shedding of the blood of Jesus. Is a talking that emphasize, elevate and exalt the debt that we cannot pay. And that is why Jesus is emphasizing by this statement to us as a body of Christ that you understand how much it costs to place forgiveness on our table. That Jesus said even because I told this man your sins are forgiven, it was not easy to say. It wasn't easy, for when I said this, there was a big debt I knew I had to pay on this man's behalf. That is what you see there.

So every time you elevate and talk about the forgiveness that God offered through the death of Jesus, what you are simply doing is exalting the death that He had to pay on the cross. So this is expensive talk. This is not easy to say. This is where talking is not really that cheap as we can see there.

Thank you for rightly pointing out to us because most of the time, we have even read it, and even myself I have read that place. I actually thought he was saying what is easier to do. Just thought about the action of the forgiveness and the healing. So which one is easier to do. And most of the time we have looked at it in that light, and we

have tried in a way, tried to elevate the work of salvation above work of healing because we are doing the contrast about salvation and healing, about what to take.

And so some people have actually even thought in themselves that healing is even much more difficult to do and they felt salvation was cheaper, even when they were looking at it in the light of doing. Even when they were not reading as easier to say. The easiest to do, naturally they felt like it takes a lot, because some of them when they don't see the healing and they feel oh, salvation must really be cheap. Salvation must really be cheap and healing must really be difficult because they just feel like salvation you just confess and that is all. But for healing they seen some things, they even see healing power being demonstrated and when people made some attempt and everything.

So they feel it is actually difficult than... Thank you for pointing out that even firstly it was about easier to say. He is talking about the difficulty of that conversation because when you say it, you incur a debt.

And it is rightly to say that this conversation has become a very difficult one even up till now. Even from the time that it was raised, Jesus said it, to make that remark that which one was easier. Salvation subject has always been a conflicting statement, has been a subject of discuss and conflict. So is a very difficult conversation. Because now to say salvation, people talk about eternal security. It is always a difficult conversation. And so it is rightly to say which one is easier to say.

So people will naturally really want to appease, you need to move away from the subject, talking about the subject of salvation because is really going to generate uneasiness.

Now, you see there are some things that we need to point out in this encounter that Jesus had with this man who was sick of the palsy. See! one thing that actually seem to point out to us from this particular encounter is the fact that it seems to me that the transactions of God right all through from time immemorial, from history right till now have always been conducted on the premise of words.

God's transaction are always engage in on the premise of words. That is the reason why you as a believer, you could not in a way, take with levity what you say or what you hear of what God said. Think about it. Right from the beginning in Genesis, even when time began to counts. The first time clock began to tick.

Bible says in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth and the earth was without form and void and God said...Can you see? He didn't say God did. He didn't say God moved. (Genesis 1:1).

Now, he said the spirit of God moved upon the waters but when...have you noticed even when the spirit moved upon the water, there was no life that showed up. Isn't it? There was no event that took place in the midst of the chaos in Genesis 1.

But the very first time we saw activity of restoration and restructuring in the midst of the chaos of Genesis Chapter 1 was when God said. God said let there be light and immediately there was light. It will sound to me that every time God's activity supposed to be manifest upon humanity, it always come on the premise and the platform of what God said. It seems God's transaction are always manifested on what He said. That is why you as a believer cannot take with levity the efficacy of the Word of God, what God said in his Word.

In fact let's say this, you could mortgage your whole eternity, you could mortgage your destiny if you don't take into effect what God said. Can you see?

Jesus Christ said in John Chapter 6, He says the words I speak to you. Now before then I think the previous verse, he said one thing. He said the flesh doesn't profit anything, it takes the spirit to cause the changes. It takes the spirit of grace to effect those changes you are looking for. But He says watch this, that spirit I spoke about will not be hanging in space in your meeting or revival saying Holy Ghost fire come down, He said No! He said but the words I speak to you, they are the ones that will convey that spirit and that life.

It means if you don't listen, if you don't receive, if you don't understand, if you don't have the revelation of the Word I said, you will mortgage the spirit and the life that the Word can make available to cause the change. This is serious.

So that is why going back to this Luke Chapter 5. Jesus said even though I will convey my forgiveness to this man. Even though I will convey healing to this man, it will all come on the platform of what I said. That is why He said which one is easier to say? It means even the forgiveness, even the healing will still come from what I said. But He said it seems that forgiveness of sin is harder to say.

Now, it is harder to talk about it. And that is why we are on this transmission, that is why we are talking about the notion of forgiveness, that you have to understand that it was a much more harder thing for Jesus to say to that man, your sins are forgiven. This is the reason. Because when Jesus said your sins are forgiven. What it means is he is simply saying that Mr Man, this man that was there, or sick of the palsy you've got a debt that you cannot pay. We've done all these things in our previous transmission. Please check them out. We've made cases for this.

If Jesus then said to the man your sins are forgiven, that means He is saying, I will pay the debt that you owe that you cannot pay. So Jesus made himself liable. It was expensive to say your sins are forgiven. It was very costly. He made himself liable and he never forgot that He had to pay because eventually He went to the cross, and had to pay the debt He incurred by just talking. See! some things you talk... you don't know how much debt you incurred by talking. This is when talking is expensive. He just talk about it but he incurred a big debt. And he paid for that. And Jesus said this was harder to say.

Now He was saying harder to say compare to the healing of the man's body. Compare to delivering the man from the palsy, compare to delivering the man from sickness. Jesus said if the man will deliver from sickness and from any form of palsy that he was in, that will not ultimately cost him his death. It was the forgiveness that was expensive. He said it was the forgiveness that was going to cost him his death.

And this is what we see. Every time we elevate, every time we talk about, every time we discussed about the fact that by the shedding of the blood of Jesus we have all been given the forgiveness of sins, every time we engage in this discussion, all we are doing is elevating and exalting and magnifying the fact that it cost Jesus to even say.. It cost him to make it available. It cost him his life. Bible says He became obedient even to the point of death. The death of the cross. Why? Just because of what He said. It costs him.

See! telling the man your sins are forgiven was an expensive talk that Jesus engage in. And that is what we saw there.

Yes, I want to believe that the Pharisee actually knew the cost implication of that statement because they did the cost analysis and said it takes God to do this. This is bigger. So thinking that is expensive, and know is a bigger thing. Just like the commitment because we have cost commitment... you might buy some things especially when you do the online purchases and say you are committed to pay.

Sometimes some people take it through that route instead of adding to basket which you might add to basket and you don't eventually do it. And say before you make this transaction, commit to buy because you will be held by that.

So there is a committal statement that Jesus was making that for you, am going on certain day. For this statement I have made, I have committed to it. So am not going to leave you hanging in the basket. Because there are some time you might show interest in something, because for you to actually put it and hang it in your basket is like you

show interest, you really want to do it but that does not still show about commitment, because you can change your mind about it. Yes, I just abandon it...

And so for some, some retailers try to hold people down to it. So you must commit to buy which is quite different from adding to the basket. So you know the costs implication at that point, do you want to go, if not you cannot make this kind of purchase. Is not the kind that goes to hanging in the basket. And that is what it is about it.

And that is why they were holding him, the Pharisee were thinking do you know what you are saying? Do you have what it takes? Because they feel like it takes God. Because they don't understand that He was actually God, God in the flesh. Do you know what you are saying? They were looking at him in the flesh. They were looking at his frame and feel like you don't know the commitment, you can't say this.

Jesus accepted it. Fine! I know it is not easy to say.

Now, let's say this, Jesus was then by implication indicating that it was easier to say that you are heal than to say your sins are forgiven.

Now, we are going to really...because some of you are watching this today, you are believing God for a deliverance. You are believing God for a liberty. You are believing God for a manifestation of his favour and his grace in your life. You are believing God for the impossible. You are believing God that the Lord will come through for you in any aspect of your life. Am glad you are listening to this transmission today.

But Jesus was simply saying here for you and I to listen that, it costs him a lot more to say your sins are forgiven. That was a harder task to undergo than, for him to say you are heal of the palsy. And the reason is we've been emphasizing that saying your sins are forgiven was going to cost him his life.

Now, saying that you will be healed of your palsy... now we are going to go deeper into this. We are going to look at Romans. That wasn't going to cost Jesus as it cost him to say your sins are forgiven.

You know today, we always tend to think that forgiveness of sins was a very straightforward thing for God to do. So we then think that believing the Lord for healing and deliverance are the things that we think oh! if God can heal my body, if only God can provide for my needs. If only the Lord can... even some think that even going to heaven, they said we are trying to make heaven. We have the lists of these

things that we think are the big deal for God. But Jesus is saying, saying that your sins are forgiven was much more harder.

Now, let's look at some scriptures to clarify what Jesus was saying.

Look at Romans Chapter 5, look at verse 8.

We are making this comparison in the Holy Ghost.

What does it says please?

Romans 5

8. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Can you see? While we were yet in debt. Debt that we could not pay. Christ had to die, which means Jesus put himself in a situation by what he said that your sins are forgiven.

Now, does that not tell you that there are some things that Jesus did in the gospel before He went to the cross that He did on credit, that he was going to pay for later. I will say that slowly.

You know in Matthew Chapter 8, I think verse 16. If you have them look at it. It says they brought unto Jesus those who were under the power of devil.

We can read it so people can get the picture. Some things Jesus Christ said on credit when He was still in the gospel because He had not even actualize or fulfill the things that will satisfy what He said. But He said it on credit.

What does Matthew 8 says?

Read it from verse 16.

Matthew 8

16. When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick.

17. That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet saying himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses.

Now, if you read Isaiah 53, this did not happened until He went to the cross, when he took our sins, because it was by his death that He paid the debt of our sins.

So it didn't happen until he went to the cross. Bible says He was already casting out devils, healing the sick on the credit of what He will do when He goes to the cross. Some things Jesus said and did were on credit, which means He had not even made the payment for what He was going to do. But He was going to say it and do it anyway on the basis that in a matter of time, He will pay the penalty for what He was doing now.

It is the same thing about this man in Luke 8. He told him your sins are forgiven because Jesus knew ultimately that let give this man the benefit of even what I have not done yet. So He was going to go to the cross and do that, by paying the penalty for the debt he incurred.

So Jesus did this many times in the gospel. So some things you read in the gospel that does not make sense, you can make sense of them by thinking this way, that Jesus did that and said that, he incurred some debt that He was going to pay any way when He went to the cross.

Even that Matthew Chapter 8 was saying it was written about him...

So there is a clarity.

Every sin Jesus was forgiven by saying I have forgiven you your sins. Every time Jesus said that, it was expensive. Any time He said that, I have forgiven you sins, heaven was saying well, you know you have not pay the debt of that sins you are forgiven that man for.

So He knew ultimately he was going to go to the cross and pay that debt. That is why it was expensive for him to keep saying it. Every time he was saying it, they were just recording for him debt. Jesus you have to pay debt in your account, you have to pay.

Let's go back to Romans Chapter 5

What does it says?

9. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Now watch this,

10. For if when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

It means when we were God's enemies. When we owe the debt we could not pay, if the only way that debt could have been paid was through the death of Jesus, before we can receive the forgiveness of sins. So he said that took the debt of Jesus. That took the debt as we paid by the death of his son.

much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

Mark that word, **muchmore**

being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

It means beyond the fact that the debt was paid and that we are reconciled. Much more!

Go on,

we shall be saved by his life.

Now, this is a bit conflicting and probably confusing, if you look at it on the surface. This simply tells you and I that there was a salvation or deliverance that came to us simply by the fact that Jesus died. But there are some other salvation that come to us simply by the fact that Jesus lived.

Now, please I will take this slowly so that you can understand this. That is why Jesus was saying to that man which one is easier to say?

If you talk about forgiveness of sins, the only way that can be satisfied or met was simply by the death of Jesus. There is no other way to get round that. But Jesus was able to get round some other things even not necessarily by his death. That is why Ephesians 1 will tell you that the power that works in you is the power of resurrection. The power that brought up Christ from the death. There are something that are available to you today not because of the death of Jesus because of the life of Jesus.

For example today, the reason why you can actually declare and claim you have the life of Christ in you is simply because you believe in resurrection. The Bible says the power that works in you is the same mighty power that raise Christ from the death. And the Bible says if the spirit of He that raise Christ from the death lives in you, he that raised Jesus from the death will give life to your mortal body. You are only claiming life in your body now, not because of the death of Jesus but because of the resurrection. He says He that raised Jesus from the death.

What am saying today is, there are so many things available to you today because of the resurrection life of Christ Jesus. But they said only forgiveness demanded the death of Jesus. Only forgiveness demanded his death. Nothing else demanded his death. For the fact that He had to forgive you, it demanded the death of Christ. And he says for the fact that he had to give you a new life in Christ Jesus. For the fact that He gave you resurrection life in Christ Jesus, that only cost him to give his life.

What are we saying today? We are saying it was harder. Forgiveness was a harder task, was a harder job for Jesus to perform on the cross because that demanded him to die.

So don't forget one thing, you as a believer, you are saved not just by his death, you are also saved by his life. You need to make that distinction. His death was a much more harder thing for him to take than going to the cross.

So you see, Jesus came to the point in Luke Chapter 5 and made a very important statement. He said forgiveness was a harder thing to say because that was going to demand his life.

So what we are talking about today is this? What are you going through now? Whatever circumstance you are going through in your life today, forgiveness was a harder thing for Christ to say. Every other thing is easier to say. That is what we see there.

We go back to Luke Chapter 5 we are talking about.

Now, Luke 5 again.

So he says verse 24.

24. Whether is easier to say thy sins be forgiven thee or to say rise up and walk?

Now, if you notice that word, he said rise up and walk. Come out from whatever situation that held you bound.

Now, to come out from that situation you need life. That is why by the grace of God, I believe the Lord to give insight as we share this today.

To rise up and walk... think about it medically speaking. To rise up or to stand up, you need energy. You need life to be infused into whatever person or whatever thing you are talking about. Life is needed to rise up and walk. And Jesus knew to rise up and walk, what this man needed was resurrection life. It was the life that raised Christ from the death that is needed to rise up and walk. He never needed the death of Christ to rise up and walk. That is why He said it was easier.

So am saying this to you today by the grace of God, that whatever down situation you are in, whatever depression you are in, whatever condition you are in, you need to leave and walk in resurrection power. And the scriptures tells you and I, in Ephesians 1:16, 17, 18, 19 that the power that works in you is the same mighty working power that raised Christ from the death. That was easier for Christ. Resurrection life was

easier for him. The death thing was a much more harder challenge for him to go through.

So it doesn't matter what you are in now, the forgiveness issue was a bigger challenge and that has been sorted out in Christ Jesus.

So he says to him in verse 24.

24. But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins...

The reason he had the power is because He had the credit to pay the debt, like you say in the last transmission, when you are saying who has the credit worthiness. Only him had the credit. Only him was the one that knew no sin. Only him had the right, the prerogative, the legal ground to forgive sins.

So he says that ye may know that the son of man had power on earth to forgive sins.

he said unto the sick of the palsy, I say unto thee, arise and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.

So he said to him what was easier to say.

And today by the grace of God, we are saying to you resurrection life, resurrection power was easier for Christ than the issue of death on the cross for him.

And this is the reason why that was easier. If you notice for death, He had to come to that decision to give up his life. For resurrection, he was raised up from the death by the glory of the Father. That is what we see in the scriptures there.

So He gave to this man what he believe was easier than the penalty of death.

he said

arise and take up thy couch and go into thine house.

Before we go there, it is very interesting and comfortable to know that even healing and all those things that people might ascribe as very difficult, is very easy here. And is all about perception, is about the sight and how we estimate and evaluate things if we see rightly here.

We are being call to see rightly through the scriptures to see that even healing... He said that healing is children bread when he was talking to... is crumbs. Is even beneath the bread, when we go back to that Syrophenician woman that came to Jesus and said she really wanted Jesus help about his daughter, who was possess of the

devil. And Jesus said to him that healing is children's bread. That is it. How easy it is. It's just the normal daily meal. Is just children bread.

Even the woman estimated and said that even healing is even crumbs. So that is it. So healing is even crumbs, because she was actually asking... She actually said ok, I think am free to eat crumbs. And even with that crumbs, Jesus agreed she was free to eat the crumbs, because bread is for the children. Even that crumbs could even guarantee healing. So that is how easy healing is. Is just easy... That is as cheap as it is.

It is so cheap that people that are not even children can get into it. The woman agreed that am not a child, am not entitled to it but is something even dogs, anybody could pick it. So that is how easy healing is.

Beyond this episode, we are able to see from that scriptures that am just quoting, from that experience that healing is very cheap.

And so is very comforting today for people that want to walk in healing and know oh, it is this easy. Even people that are not in the covenant, people who are not entitled can pick it up, can pick up the crumbs and it can satisfy them.

And so it's comforting for us to walk in it since we are saved, and we are being converted by a power that is even much more greater. So healing should be easy for us. Healing should be easy for us and it helps us to demonstrate this. We must live our live in that understanding, the consciousness that yes, healing is easy. Because some people are going about it as if healing is difficult, healing is easier compare to being forgiven.

Some people are making it seem like that even healing is difficult. And so people have to do and come into something like a cult-like gathering or followership because they know that healing is ... from the scriptures we see that it is easier.

Thank you for that.

I trust the Lord by his grace, He will still have us look deeper into this Romans 5:10.

We've not done justice to this.

I am going to read this from the NIV version.

Romans 5 (NIV)

10. For if while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son,

So emphatically it will mean that, it took the death of his Son for us to be reconciled to God. Nothing else will surpass. Nothing else will satisfy. God could not say, I want to reconcile the world to myself. As soon as God made that decision, a debt was in place for him to pay. Can you see that? And that debt was through the death of his Son. That was it.

This is where forgiveness comes into the equation because we don't reconcile without being forgiven.

Now, looking at that Romans 5:10 compared to what Jesus said in Luke 5. We see why it was expensive to say.

Now look at the second part of that same Romans 5, the B part.

Let's take it slowly.

Notice the A part, sorted out. Expensive to say. Look at the B part.

Romans 5 (NIV)

10. how much more.

Now, how much more is when you tell somebody well, if that was sorted out, then this is not serious as that one. So watch the tense.

So this Romans 5:10 in the epistles mirrors exactly what Christ was saying in Luke Chapter 5. He says how much more...

So if the death of Jesus satisfy the fact that God had to go through that process to reconcile us to himself through his death, forgiveness...

how much more, having being reconciled through his death,

Don't forget that. That cost him his life.

He said if that was a much harder thing for God to do. How much more we being saved through his life.

Think about the salvation that you are believing God for. There are some salvation that you are believing God for, that it only take the life of Christ to make it happen. I repeat that slowly.

Forgiveness only required the death of Jesus. Reconciliation to God only required the death of Jesus. But the Bible says how much more then shall we be saved through his life. So there are salvations that can only be answered by the life of Christ Jesus. But

the Bible says well, if the death of Christ could sort out the reconciliation how much more. This should be a minor issue.

You can see why I said this is just the Luke 5 version in the epistles. If you asked me, what are the salvation that only require the life of Christ?

Well, am glad you ask the question. The answer is straightforward right in that text. If you are going to be saved through his life, it will mean that life is needed as an antidote against death. You always need an antidote for a poison. If we need to be saved by his life. It will mean the life of Christ that we will be saved by is an answer to death.

It means for whatever thing death is stirring you in the face, that is why we need to know that sickness and illness is seeking death. It is just like the cousin. It's gradual death. And the Bible says there are salvations that only have answer by the life of Christ. But he says don't think that was a big deal. He said if you believe you are reconciled by his death, the forgiveness, how much more, this is even lesser. That is the same thing Christ was saying in Luke 5.

So Apostle Paul was catching the revelation of Luke 5. That is the point. Reiterating the same thing that if you believe that the death had to happen to reconcile you to God. He said think about it, whatever you need life of Christ for to actualizing in your life is even easier. That is what Romans 5:10 says.

So it means against every form of human frailty. Every weakness of humanity. Everything that sounds like death in humanity. He said see! the life of Christ is already available to cause the salvation in every circumstances. But he says, think about it, that was even easier anyway. That is why he said how much more in that statement.

I believe this transmission is an eye opener for everybody in humanity that is being plague by any form of affliction. Because we can find the solution in these verses especially that Romans Chapter 5 verse 10. From that verse we know the credence, which one is weightier. Is just like a weighing balance. That verse 10 is a weighing balance. And he puts this on one end, and this one, how much more. From that word we know this is a balancing statement. Is a balancing verse.

And besides, is comforting for us that whatsoever we are going through, we know that this salvation that we have. Jesus as a solution covers all. Because some people just think that ok, the only salvation part it is, for reconciliation part that is what God is for and that is... some people they are going to talk people out of it. Even of every other aspect. Even the Psalmist was talking about all the other benefits.

So we see in this Romans that he is interested in that. And he is able to comfort us that even this other one will be much more easier. The other salvation and deliverances which we rightly need. So some people that want to shame people for needing this salvation and deliverances. You know even Jesus knew you needed it and he provided for it. It was rightly provided for.

So it was part of it. It was marry together in that same verse. So it was part of it together because you need salvation, you need deliverances from situations. You need the life of God to come out of death. Because there are some situations that are like death in instalment. Poverty is death by instalment. Dying slowly. Diseases is dying slowly. There are so many situation that you need to jump out. And it is the life of God that will make you come out of the grave plot. It is the life of God that will spring you up, even to what he wanted you to be. Even to fulfilling destiny, you need the life to jumpstart you, to kick out of redundancy.

So that is that life, is provided by the salvation by his life. And so we need to really understand this. We need to understand this subject we are talking about because is all about life. That is what life is all about. Even life here and there. So that is all about.

We need salvation. We need to be reconciled with God. And again we need salvation and deliverances. We need his life to come upon our mortal body. We need to be quicken and this is all cover together by this.

So this is a gathering point, rallying point for every humanity because everybody will get himself covered, sorted out with this verse. We are all sorted.

Thank you for that.

Now, ultimately... because the Bible says receiving the end of your faith the salvation of your soul, ultimately by the time either you are here when Christ comes back or before Christ comes back literally, you've actually... you are no more here if you die before Christ comes back. This applies whichever situation you fall into.

But the fact we know is, the reason why Apostle Paul said how much more shall we be saved through his life. You can be guaranteed you will be resurrected with Christ. He said there are some guaranteed that you have. How much more you will be saved by his life. You've got the life of God now.

But he says the salvation that God's life will make manifest in your body is even subservient to a bigger price He had to pay to reconcile you to himself through his own death.

This way when you approach life. When you speak to things, when you address circumstance with this understanding, you can simply say to yourself, Oh! the bigger issues had been sorted out. God had to go through a bigger pain to pay the price of death, how much more. How much more! I being saved through his life.

And that is why Jesus Christ said to that man in Luke 5, he said to him rise up and walk. So we have the indication that was a reference to resurrection. That was life. That needed life to strengthen his bones. Can you see? For him to be able to walk out of the palsy, he need to be strength with life. But Jesus Christ says that was even easier anyway. The harder thing to say was the question of forgiveness which Christ was going to sort out by him dying on the cross.

Yes, it is also interesting to know that even living out our full reality; the new creature reality, the new DNA comes by life, the life of this. To express his image. To express what he had in mind in the beginning. It comes by his life because you cannot use your old self. You cannot use your old self, this is the life that will come on you. So it takes the life of God to even ever make anything, to do anything here.

Now, there is something you said. Let's talk about this.

Think about this, if you don't have this double edged revelation by what you live your life. When I say double edged, Romans 5:10 to talk about the fact that we are reconcile to God through the death of his Son. That is one edge of the sword and by the life of his Son, we shall be saved as well. The second edge of the sword.

If you don't have this double edged understanding. What will happen is this. It will sound like if you are in a debt, you have a debt to pay that you cannot pay. For the fact that somebody pay your debt. You know what that means, it means they are saying you are no more under the hold of debt. You don't owe God anymore. But it doesn't make you rich anyway. It just clear the account.

Forgiveness clears your account. That is what it does. It puts you back into zero. Not negative any more. You don't owe anymore. That is why the Bible says in that 2Corinthians 5:19, **“for God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself, not counting there debt or their sins against them anymore.”** He never said anything about the fact that God now put something into our account. No! he said God has stopped accounting the debt against you anymore.

But what you don't want in your life today even in the natural is that, you don't want people to stop counting debt against you and stop there. You want to be rich. You want to be loaded. You want the fact that, I don't want to say I don't owe anybody any debt, but I want to have resources as well.

That is why the Apostle Paul presented the gospel that was double edged in Romans 5:10 to simply tell you and I, that forgiveness was a debt that we have to pay, and the death of Christ sorted that out. But listen! you cannot stop your understanding at that level. Come to understand the fact that when Christ paid the debt as soon as He resurrected, the power, that brought him out from the grave is now available to you, for you to walk in this life. Can you see that?

He says we need both understanding to be able to walk in the fullness of what we have been called into in Christ Jesus.

Yes, a better way to something, to aspire to and just not for our account to clear to zero. And just say that oh, you have cleared your debt and is not in negative. Is not in red. It was just zero. We wouldn't want that. You really want to have something to be credited to your account. So you just want to just stay. Fine it is good that you are not even in the minus, in the red. You are in zero. But it is much more better to aspire to have enough. And that is what Christ did to us. Balancing it up. Everything we ever needed is in Christ. And so we cannot go outside of Christ.

Some people might say this aspect, I will like Christ to supply this. Am going to go out and supply the B part myself. Am going to find a way just like going astray again, doing it your own way or supplying or going about the other salvation that they felt they need. Other lives that they are so going about it. No! We have this all cover together.

So we cannot say thank you my benefactor for helping me out of my debt. So my account is not in red again. Am now looking again for somebody here to help me credit into my account so I can come up with something, and so I can be rich in this. No! your same benefactor is grace and is enough, and he's ever ready and he is not stopping. You are the one that can say No, I just want to stop you. He is not stopping on that. He is ready to even credit into it.

So you will need to understand that and you are not to reframe and resist him. So for it not to happen, for you not to have so much in your account is like you have to resist him. So some people have resist him, crediting their account, they are resisting the salvation.

So some people are resisting the B part, maybe I should start using the B part on this. Because you need to have resisting him. Because this man, our benefactor is ready to bring us the reconciliation to God. And he is able to give us life, salvation from our lives and jumpstart that. Because we need to be saved not by his death, but also by his

life. So that is what we are talking about, that salvation must be by the death of Jesus and salvation must be by the life of Jesus. That is the full gospel.

So for you not to have the full package, the full benefit is just life. You have to resist it. So it takes a conscious effort, it takes some energy. And so some people have exercise themselves with negative energy to resist this life. The salvation that come by his life. And say No, we are going to do it all by myself and so they take... It really take some energy to do that.

Based on what you are saying, there are some places of worship where all they listen to is the fact that we are saved by the death of Jesus. That is a good news. We praise God for that. But that is not all. We are also saved by the life of Jesus. Don't take our words for that, Romans 5:10 so that is the full gospel.

And in that same place, you see them, they will be spending energy to tell you that it is not easy for you to reject. So they are going to have doctrines, they have series of teachings to resist the salvation that comes by his life.

But what amazing to me is that looking at Luke Chapter 5. It still comes out to the point that the salvation by his death was harder. Why would he talk about the things that was easier? Because of course in Luke 5 looking at the case of that man, of the palsy. Jesus was given us the impression that it was much harder to say your sins was forgiven.

If you are looking at that side, what am looking at in that Luke Chapter 5 is like even Jesus was able to do both for the man. We've seen people that will send people off, Oh! don't bother about the other part, about your palsy. You know, we elevate this salvation of your sins, your sins are forgiven. And that is enough, don't worry and so they medicate them into that place of not needing this and manage with this.

But we saw here, Jesus was able to do both to show because is talking of Romans 5:10. So we see the position of Jesus ever ready to that. So people will naturally have to come up with things. People have to really have to harden their heart against the full package, the full gospel. They really have to come up with things.

But why do you think people don't want to go down, people want to focus on the harder thing and not just take the benefit of the easier one? Why do you think so?

Even beyond the one harder and everything, is even wrong for just taking even one side, even living about whether is harder, even trying to hold on to one, not taking the full gospel...

That is what am saying.

Why do you think is a problem why people just don't want to take the full gospel?
That is what am saying.

Sometimes I want to think about... it might even be the pride of the thing and feel like this is how it should be. Yes it might be like this is how it should be. It should just be just one or maybe subconsciously in their mind, they think that getting to the other side of the second part of the gospel is actually something, a big deal. Maybe that is what they think?

Yes, everybody is terrify of the change.

They think is a big deal.

Or the people are terrify of the change or having it complete. Because you have to understand in a bit... people are terrify of how it will be, the other side of having the full benefit of the full package. Some people feel they cannot handle it and some people feel they will not be able to do it, so let's just moderate it. Let's try to be. Let's just take to one side of it. Let's just manage with a part of it and not take the full benefit of all the things. Because we know it is too much. And is talking about the lascivious grace of God that it is just too much. And people are so afraid of taking it. They feel is too much and is too much for them.

He said how much shall we be saved by his life. If we could hold on to the one that is even harder.

Am just so happy about that because we've seen the consistent nature of Christ in this one, adding both... that the things, they are the same. Even the other one is even easier. Because we remember when they were in the wilderness, when they had teaching and He was asking the disciples, give them something to eat. He was ministering to their soul, giving them the spiritual nourishment and so He was like, let them have the physical nourishment too. Because it is so easy. It is much more easier to bring them the physical nourishment and the disciples were like no, this is hard. That is the same thing.

The disciples felt it was harder. They said we are in the wilderness, where do we think we will get bread for this number of people. Let us send them to go. Because they felt it was harder. They felt spiritual nourishment was easier. But Jesus made it so easy. He demonstrated that it is much more easier. And that is what we should understands that, that is what the full gospel is all about.

As we continue, I think we are moving towards the end of this transmission. Let us make one thing known. The reason why we are talking about easier, harder is about of

the cost to pay. The Bible says the reconciliation cost the son of God his life in death. But for him to be able to save us, Bible says we can be saved by his life. That is why anything about rising up, resurrecting take the life of Christ. But forgiveness will cost the death of Jesus. Can you see why he said that is harder?

That is how we are supposed to see as well.

Now, there is something I want use to read in Colossians 3, you can read from verse 1, and let us point out those things as we get to the end of this transmission today.

Colossians 3

1. If ye then be risen with Christ.

Now watch this. Resurrection! That is resurrection.

Let's see what that cost Christ for you to be risen.

Go on please,

seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

2. Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth

3. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

4. When Christ who is our life shall appear

Can you see that? That is the phrase I was looking for.

He says for the fact that you are raised up with Christ, all that are needed was the life of Christ. He says when Christ who is our life. He didn't talk about the death of Christ now.

If you read all through that Colossians 3, you will hardly see any notion about the fact that Christ had to die for you to be raised up with him. All that was needed for you to be raised up is Christ. Is what he mentioned in verse 4.

When Christ who is our life shall appear, then we will also appear with him

It's resurrection power. So you can lay claim to the life of Christ. Not the death of Christ because that was an answer to forgiveness. Can you see that? That is why anytime you quote Colossians 3, you are simply saying oh! Yes, am now being saved by the life of Christ. But the Bible says that was even easier because forgiveness was a bigger debt, bigger question that God had to answer through the death of his Son Jesus Christ.

And we are discussing this thing today not theoretically. We are simply saying right now, as we are talking now, you can walk in victory in Christ Jesus. Right now, you can walk in dominion in Christ Jesus. Right now, you can take advantage of the benefit of the cross. Right now resurrection power is not something you will get when you die and resurrect with Christ. It is right in you now. Ephesians 1:17 said that.

And he says that life is in you now to cause salvation to happen right now. That is why he told that man in Luke 5, rise up and walk. That took life in his bones for that to happen. It took life for that to happen.

You know why? Jesus know that was easy because why? Forgiveness which was a bigger debt to pay was going to be sorted by the death of Jesus. So that is what we see. If forgiveness question has been answered over your destiny, it means other things are just easy according to Romans 5:10, according to Colossians 3 and according to Luke 5 that we read today.

So from this transmission we were able to establish the easier and the difficult part. Oh, don't think it is our makeup, we are trying to make up something. It is not. Even Jesus himself was the one that introduced that. So it might be like why this people are talking about what is easier? should we not just assumed and everything. We did not. We read it from the Luke Chapter 5 and we saw it even in Romans Chapter 5 verse 10. We saw the balancing. So we see that, there was a reference to about weighing.

So if the scriptures put that out, then we need to think about it. And we need to talk about it. So don't put it on us and say we are just trying to do easier, difficult or something like that. We are not trying to do that. We find the scriptures out. So you can check it out yourself.

And if that one is not even yours, you have to know that both are inclusive in the package. We have an all inclusive package that cover the reconciliation with God by forgiveness of sin, by his death, the salvation by his life. Through the life of Christ that you have now. That is the full gospel.

So whatever you are adhering to, whatever you are holding to that doesn't not cover those two, that does not balance that in your thought, if you don't have that balancing of those things and you are resisting one, elevating one and depressing another one. And just accepting, that is half gospel. That is not the full picture. So we call you to the full gospel today as we see it in that demonstration in Luke Chapter 5.

So any gospel that does not have reconciliation with God, it is not full gospel. Any gospel that does not have the salvation by the life of God, is not the full gospel. So nobody should shame... the part A should not shame part B. So everybody must come

together. All the gospel must be balanced together to know that this is inclusive. All inclusive package.

So thank you for joining us today on this transmission. So we do hope you are blessed by this.

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So till we see you again, we want to say as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him.

God bless you.

Bye!!