

Sermon Notes

Exodus – The Revealing of God’s Glory and His Design for the Chosen

Afterthoughts, Part II: “How the Moral Law Works in Our Lives”

I. Introduction

A. The Law does not secure salvation.

1. Works righteousness is a dead end.

B. The Law for the Christian.

1. How we please Him.

2. The only way to holiness.

a. John 14:15

II. How it all works.

A. The Psalmist

1. Psalm 1:1-3, Psalm 119:1-16, 33-38

B. Paul notes the process

1. Contained in his second letter to the Corinthians.

a. II Corinthians 7:8-13

2. Key words:

Sorrowful = Awareness

Repentant = Desire

Salvation = Change

C. Contrast between how the moral law works in the life of a believer and unbeliever.

1. The alternative – see Matthew 7:13-14

2. The two ways

a. Broad – easy and leads to death.

b. Narrow – hard and leads to life.

1. Romans 8:29

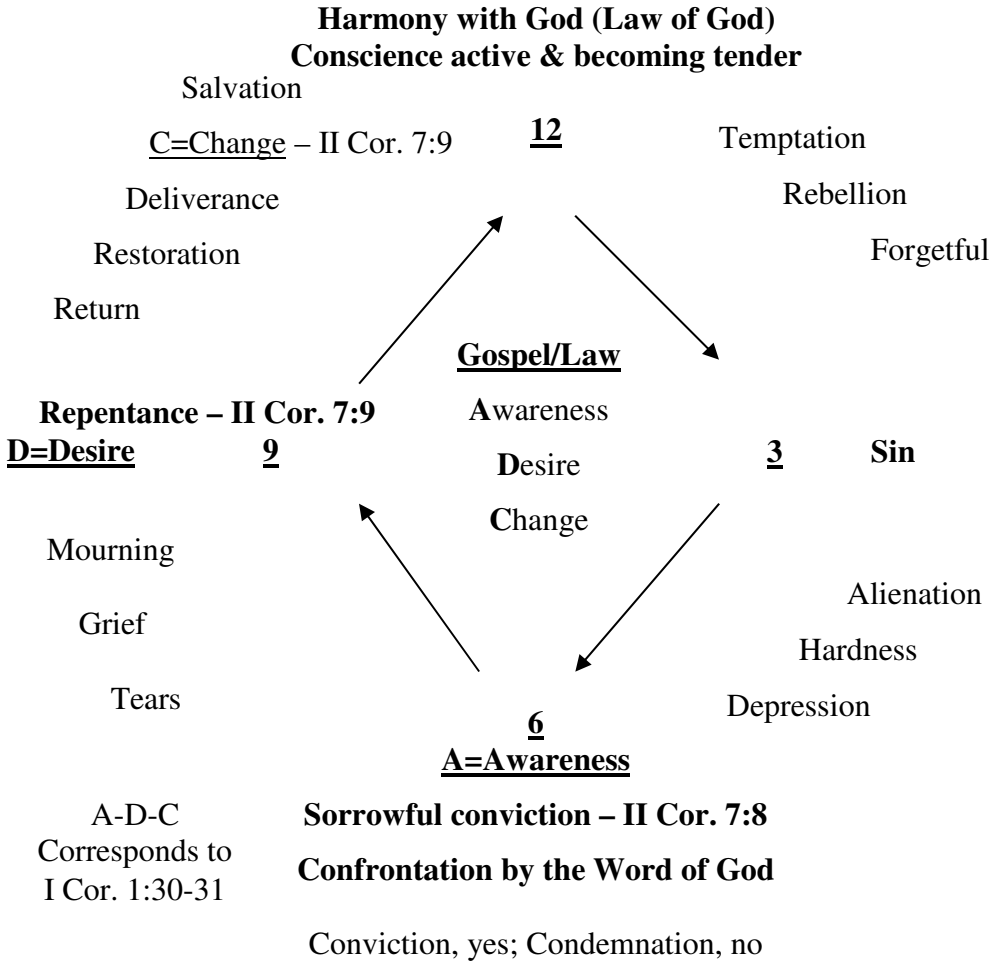
3. The two gates

a. No room for luggage

1. Romans 12:2

III. Contrast between the believer and unbeliever in response to the Moral Law.

A. **The Narrow Way** – Clock of Sanctification.



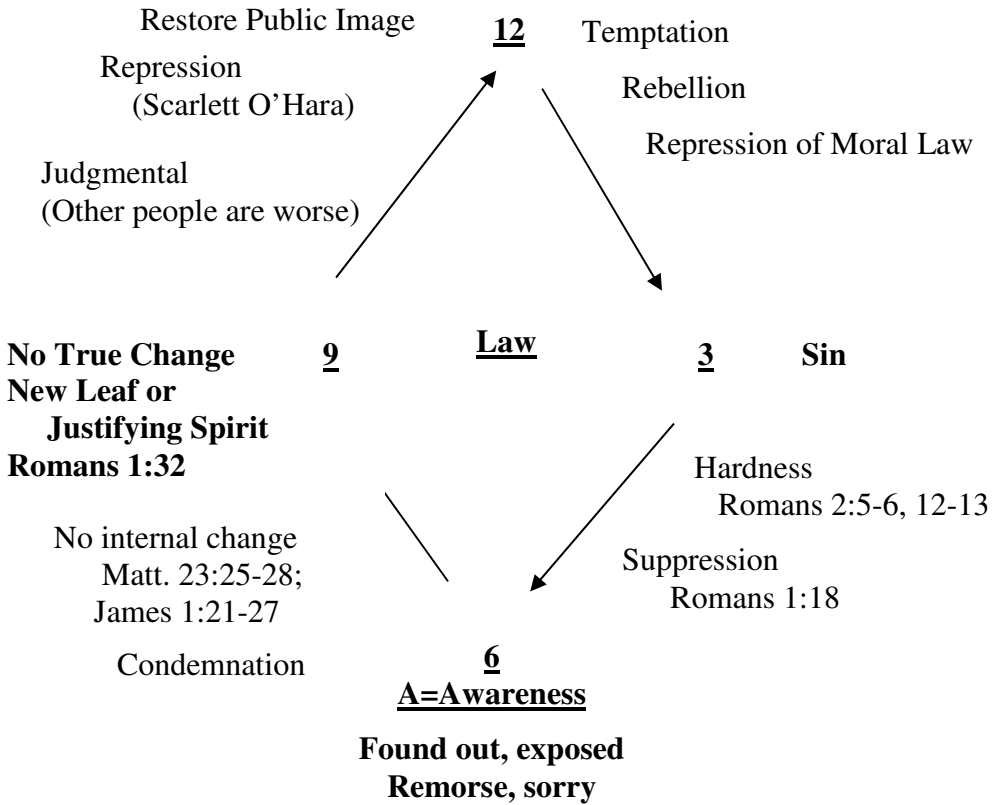
End result: Becoming like God.

No Condemnation – Romans 8:1

No Wrath – I Thessalonians 1:10; 5:9

B. The Broad Way – Disharmony with God.

**Knowledge of God (Law of God)
Conscience dull & becoming hard**



End Result → Remaining the God of one's own life – Gen. 3:5-6.

Resemble the god of this world -- John 8:44

Accumulation of wrath -- Ephesians 2:3, Colossians 3:6, Romans 2:8

IV. Points of Reflection

A. Loving God means pleasing Him through obedience.

1. John 14:15

“¹⁵ If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.”

2. When we do not obey our sin represents higher devotion to the flesh than to Him. In other words, we love our sin more than we love God.

B. The process of sanctification is quickened when the Scripture is read often and meditated upon.

1. Psalm 1:2

“² But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night.”

C. Sorrow is good when it leads to repentance. The sorrow of the world only leads to being sorry, but it produces no change.

1. II Corinthians 7:10

“¹⁰ For the sorrow that is according to {the will of} God produces a repentance without regret, {leading} to salvation; but the sorrow of the world produces death.”

D. Sorrow over the wrong is evidence of God’s power active within to change what we cannot do ourselves.