

THE CREATOR-CREATURE CONFLICT

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/WELCOME TO BARAH MINISTRIES

Good Morning!

**Let's Make a Mental Shift **

In preparation for our study of the Word of God, it is a time to make a voluntary shift in your mindset, if that is necessary. To prepare yourself for biblical study, you can ask yourself a very simple question, "Where is my soul tuned?" You can ask, "What thought pattern am I allowing to influence me right now?" <WHERE IS YOUR SOUL TUNED? SLIDE>

Is your soul tuned to KCOS...the cosmic system of thought...or is your soul tuned to WGod...the divine system of thought...your mental shift gives you an opportunity to tune your soul to biblical thought, which the bible refers to as RENEWING, as you prepare to listen to the teaching of the Word of God. Romans, Chapter 12, Verse 2 says...

ROM 12:2

...be transformed by the renewing of your mind...

Ephesians, Chapter 4, verse 23 says...

EPH 4:23

...be renewed in the spirit of your mind...

We are here to learn a kind of love that we don't have...unconditional love.

/LUK 6:32-36

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.//If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same.//If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners in order to receive back the same amount.//But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men.//Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."\

We thank our God for His Word that gives us access to this powerful and freeing love that calms the disturbances in our souls.

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/MUSIC AND REFLECTION

*Be Occupied with the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ
Enjoy the Singing of His Praises*

Father I'm Yours\

As God prepares you for the RENEWING of your mind, with your permission of course, you can take the next several minutes for reflection, fixing the eyes of your soul on the author and perfecter of your faith, the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Let's hear June Murphy prepare us for the study of the Word of God by worshipping our Lord in song.

/OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray...(0:30)

We're grateful Heavenly Father for the privilege of studying the absolute truth...the Word of God...

Teach us to love the truth...teach us to hate the lies...teach us to guard our souls with sobriety and alertness...teach us to obey your will...reward us with the peace that surpasses comprehension as we faithfully follow you, our faithful God...

We ask this through the power of God the Holy Spirit...in Christ's name...Amen.

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Pastor Rory Clark\

My name is Pastor Rory Clark. You're listening to lesson four hundred and nineteen of the Angelic Conflict series. Welcome to a ministry designed for serious students of the Word of God.

/TODAY'S STUDY

The CREATOR'S Will is that You Replace Lies with Truth

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/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

In gratitude for all who defend our freedom, especially in gratitude for military victory from our front line military personnel and in honor of law enforcement officers all over the world, especially those in our own congregation, we recite the Pledge of Allegiance.\

/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge allegiance to the flag
Of the United States of America
And to the Republic for which it stands
One nation under God
Indivisible
With liberty and justice for all.\

/ANNOUNCEMENTS\

/Mark Your Calendars!

The next Lord's Supper Celebration is February 10, 2013\

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“God Cares for You”\

This week's lesson in our evangelistic radio ministry is...**God Wants You to Be Saved**. Be sure to give it a listen. The lessons and the notes are on our website.

/Happy Birthday

Jackson Abbott DeSmet

One Year Old

January 24\

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/Happy Birthday
Heather Luttermoser
January 27\

/Temporary Change of Location

March 3

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/No Bible Study
March 10
April 21
June 30
December 8
December 29\

/Homecoming
Non-Resident Congregation
June 15-16\

Next, let's take the offering. Let's welcome up Deacon Caleb Alburn.

/THE OFFERING
Deacon Caleb Alburn\

/Barah Ministries Financial Policy

No price appears on any material from Barah Ministries so that anyone who desires biblical teaching may have it free of charge.\

/OFFERING VERSE

JAM 1:22

But prove yourselves doers of the Word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.

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/Remember to give with the motivation suggested in Scripture

2CO 9:7

Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful (grace oriented) giver.

/OFFERING SONG

He is Exalted

/TODAY'S STUDY

The CREATOR'S Will is that You Replace Lies with Truth

When you go into your spiritual closet, and you find that some of the doctrinal coat hangers that you have chosen to hang there are false, what are you to do? God is clear in the matter of post salvation sinning.

<WHERE IS YOUR SOUL TUNED? SLIDE>

You have to monitor where your soul is tuned. When your soul is tuned to the wrong channel...the Greek word that indicates what we are to do is...

/METANOIA

To change your mental attitude...to make a complete turnabout

2CO 7:9

I now rejoice, not that you were made sorrowful (by God), but that you were made sorrowful (by God) to the point of repentance (metanoia...a change of mind...a complete reversal of your position); for you were made sorrowful (by God) according to the will of God, so that you might not suffer loss in anything through us.

/METANOIA

To change your mental attitude...to make a complete turnabout

2CO 7:10

For the sorrow that is according to the will of God produces a repentance without regret, leading to salvation (deliverance), but the sorrow of the world produces death (grave danger).

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Unfortunately...the word is translated as “repentance.” It is one of the most abused words in divine history. It is always connected to sin rather than to a complete changing of your mind, and for this reason I have come to hate the word. But I must lay my prejudice aside, because in its proper use, repentance (metanoia) is the biblical solution to the post salvation sin problem.

In the matter of post salvation sinning, God recommends that we STOP IT! And when we don’t STOP IT, God recommends that we repent...that we change our mind...from the carnal mentality to the spiritual mentality...that we move completely in the opposite direction.

<WHERE IS YOUR SOUL TUNED? SLIDE>

God recommends that we adopt the mindset that is in 180 degree apposition to the one we use when we decide not to take his recommendations on how to handle a situation.

/PHI 2:5

Have this attitude (mindset) in yourselves (believers in Christ) which was also in Christ Jesus...

This is not the “new rebound.” This is an expression of our decision to reject the Old Self Life and to adopt the New Self Life. In post salvation sinning, we don’t lose the filling of the Holy Spirit and then regain the filling of the Holy Spirit. We always have the filling of the Holy Spirit. We sometimes choose to use its power and we sometimes choose to reject its power, but God the Holy Spirit doesn’t go anywhere when we commit post salvation personal sins. In fact, if He did, we’d be up Schmidt Creek without a paddle. I think of all the stupid situations I have put myself in throughout my life, and how God has come through in protecting me every single time. Turn in your bibles to Psalm 37 beginning at Verse 23...this whole Psalm is worth reading...but for now...just a few parts of it...

/PSA 37:23

The steps of a man (who is a believer in Christ) are established by the Lord (our Christian walk), and He (the Lord) delights in his (the believer’s) way (path).

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/PSA 37:24

When he (the believer in Christ) falls, he will not be hurled headlong, because the Lord is the One who holds his hand.

/PSA 37:25

I (King David) have been young and now I am old, yet I have not seen the righteous (believers in Christ) forsaken or his descendants begging bread...

When we change our minds...we are expressing our desires to live the New Self Life. Regarding the New Self Life, What is it, and what does the bible say it looks like when I am doing it? Turn in your bible to Ephesians, Chapter 4...when we come back from break we'll investigate this passage...

/BREAK

When I Think About Home

Welcome back...

We'll look at Ephesians Chapter 4...I like to think of the New Self Life as that life we are living for all the moments we are being an exact reflection of our God...let's begin at Verse 1...

/EPH 4:1-3

Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called...

Thinking is reflected in conduct...when we are occupied with the mind of Christ, His Word, it will show...in what ways?

/EPH 4:2

...with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in (unconditional) love...

When we are operating as Christ would have us operate, we are not requiring anything of others...instead we are gladly accepting what they are willing to give and we are gladly accepting when they are not willing to give.

/EPH 4:3

...being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

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Don't point fingers...as you think about verses 2 and 3...don't think about how others are with you...think about how you are with others...and if you are missing the mark...change your mind...only you can...look at Verse 14...

/EPH 4:14

As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming...

We have to grow up...look at Verse 17...

/EPH 4:17

So this I say, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk (with a lifestyle) no longer just as the Gentiles (unbelievers) also walk, in the futility of their mind...

Unbelievers are confused. Believers are not. Our lifestyle is NOTHING like theirs...it must reflect 180 degree apposition to their lifestyle. Unfortunately, we admire their lifestyle and often imitate it...

/EPH 4:18

...being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart...

/EPH 4:19

...and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to sensuality for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness.

This lifestyle appears fun on the surface, but over time it engineers all of the passion out of you and leaves you on the curb with a bill...often the bill is your life...callousness is death...look at Verse 22...

/EPH 4:22

...in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit...

Stop listening to the Old Self! Repent...change your mind...

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/EPH 4:24

...and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

/EPH 4:25

Therefore, laying aside falsehood, SPEAK TRUTH EACH ONE of you WITH HIS NEIGHBOR, for we are members of one another.

/EPH 4:26

BE ANGRY, AND yet DO NOT SIN; do not let the sun go down on your anger...

/EPH 4:27

...and do not give the devil an opportunity (to pon...a room in your soul).

Ask God to evict the devil from your soul...from all the rooms you have given him...Verse 28...

/EPH 4:28

He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have something to share with one who has need.

/EPH 4:29

Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

This does not mean that correction is not necessary on occasion so don't lose the bible's context...

/EPH 4:30

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Stop sinning! You can choose not to sin even if you aren't sinless...

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/EPH 4:31

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice.

/EPH 4:32

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.

We'll continue our look at the 180 degree shift the New Self Life represents when we continue our lessons next week...

Let's welcome up Deacon Elliot Clark to share the Good News to unbelievers concerning what the Lord Jesus Christ did for them at the Cross.

/THE GOSPEL MESSAGE

The Good News to Unbelievers Concerning Jesus Christ

Deacon Elliott Clark

The closing moments of our biblical study today are dedicated to anyone who is without a relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, and therefore is without eternal life.

/1TI 2:3-4

This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior (the Lord Jesus Christ),//who desires all men to be saved...

But according to the Word of God you were born condemned...you were considered by God to be a sinner, physically alive, but spiritually dead...

/1CO 15:22

For as (a result of being) in (union with) Adam (at physical birth) all (mankind are set to) die (the second death)...

God offers you a relationship with Him while you are condemned.

/ROM 5:8

But God (the Father) demonstrates His own (unconditional) love toward us (all mankind), in that while we were yet sinners (spiritually dead unbelievers), Christ died (as a sin substitute) for us.

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While you are in the pathetic state of spiritual death, a just, righteous, and loving God extended His righteous right hand to offer you salvation.

/ACT 16:31

Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved, you and (everyone in) your household (who also believes).

A relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ is the way to salvation because Jesus Christ is God.

/JOH 14:6

(The Lord) Jesus Christ said, “I am the way (to salvation), (I am) the truth (through the Word of God) and (I am) the (eternal) life; no one comes to the Father, but through (believing in) Me.”

God loves His imperfect creatures with a perfect love, a love willing to do EVERYTHING to provide you with salvation except to force you to believe. You have free will and God honors it. You can choose to be saved or you can choose to remain condemned. How do you become saved? It's a private decision. It's a one-time decision only you can make. You have a choice.

/JOH 3:36

“He (anyone) who believes in the Son (the Lord Jesus Christ) has (the) eternal life...but he who does not obey (the command to believe in) the Son (the Lord Jesus Christ) will not see (the eternal) life but the wrath of God (the Lake of Fire) abides on him.”

Salvation is a free gift, and you cannot save yourself.

/EPH 2:8-9

For by (efficacious) grace you have been saved through faith (alone in the Lord Jesus Christ alone); and that (grace, faith, and salvation is) not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;//not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Your soul can express faith, not blindly, but after examination of God's reconciliation offer, and that faith alone in the Lord Jesus Christ alone will be your ticket to eternal life.

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/ACT 4:12

“And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved (except the name of the Lord Jesus Christ).”

A short conversation with God results in your salvation. Faith alone in the Lord Jesus Christ alone is the way to be born again and saved. For a thief being crucified next to the Lord Jesus Christ, it was just nine words.

/LUK 23:42-43

And he (one of the thieves on the Cross next to Jesus) was saying, “Jesus, remember me when You come in Your kingdom!”//And He (the Lord Jesus Christ) said to him (the repentant thief), “Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise.”

Nothing is easier than salvation. It's easy for you because it was hard for the Lord Jesus Christ when He laid down His life for you at the Cross. Once you have salvation you cannot lose it.

/JOH 10:28

And I give eternal life to them (believers in Christ), and they (believers) shall never perish; and no one shall snatch them (believers) out of My hand.

Religion encourages you to work for salvation, to obsess about your sins, to reject Christ's work on the Cross on your behalf, and to reject the free gift of reconciliation offered by the Lord Jesus Christ. There are consequences of a “do it yourself” salvation program.

/REV 20:15

And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life (at the last judgment), he was thrown into the Lake of Fire.

If you are still in a state of condemnation at your physical death because you rejected the reconciliation offer of the Lord Jesus Christ, you will, by your choice, spend eternity in the Lake of Fire. On the other hand, you can spend eternity in relationship with the One and only eternal God, the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

What's your choice?