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(D1: The Heart)

God's Transformation of Man - *From Unregenerate to Heavenly: The States and Events in a Believer's Life (Part 1)*

Chart Summary: This chart summarizes the three states of a person's transformation via two radical events: regeneration and resurrection.

I. "Without Christ" = *THE UNREGENERATE MAN (Unmixed, sinful condition): "Unrighteous"*

Romans 8:5-8 the mind of the spiritually dead man

- **The condition of the unregenerate man is characterized by:**

Ephesians 2:1-3; 12 dead in sins, walks in sins, lives in the lusts of his flesh, child of wrath, no hope, without God

Colossians 1:13-14 in domain of darkness

Titus 3:3 foolish, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to lusts & pleasures, spends life in malice & envy, hateful, hates others

Colossians 1:21 alienated from God, hostile toward God, engaged in evil deeds

Romans 6:17-23 slave to sin, slave to impurity & lawlessness, resulting in further lawlessness, penalty is death

Ephesians 4:17-19 mind is futile, darkened understanding, excluded from life of God, gives himself over to sensuality, practices impurity

Philippians 3:18-19 enemy of the cross, end is destruction, his god is his appetite, glories in his shame, sets his mind of earthly things

Romans 5:6-10 helpless, ungodly, sinner, needs rescue from God's wrath, needs justification, enemy of God, needs reconciliation

- **Key descriptions of this old condition:**

An unmixed sinful condition

Unable to not sin; unable to please God

No fight within (either against sin or for Jesus)

Dominated by and enslaved to sin

Sin rules all faculties (thoughts, emotion, motives, actions)

Unable to shepherd his heart away from sin and to God

Under God's wrath and judgment

II. **THE REGENERATION EVENT: "Declared Righteous"**

Emphasis on an "Event"!

- **Regeneration EVENT Components (once for all time events, accomplished by God for the believer at conversion):**

New birth, new life, new creation John 3:3-8; 2 Colossians 5:17; Ephesians 2:4-5; Titus 3:4-7

Positional sanctification (set apart unto God) 1 Corinthians 1:2, 30; 6:11

Justification (declared righteous) Romans 3:21-25; 5:1, 9; 1 Corinthians 6:11; Galatians 2:16, Ti 3:7

Imputation (believers credited with God's righteousness, Jesus credited with believers' sin) 2 Corinthians 5:21; Philippians 3:9

Adoption Romans 8:14-17; Ep 1:5; Galatians 4:4-7

Union with Christ Romans 6:3-14; Galatians 2:20; Ephesians 2:5-7

Expiation (sin removed) John 1:29; Colossians 2:14; Hebrews 9:26-28

Propitiation (wrath satisfied) Romans 3:25; Hebrews 2:17; 1 John 2:1-2; 4:10

Redemption (bought with Jesus' blood) Galatians 3:13; 4:4-5; Ephesians 1:7; Colossians 1:13-14; 1 Timothy 2:5-6; Titus 2:14

Reconciliation (at peace with God) Romans 5:10-11; 2 Colossians 5:18-20; Colossians 1:21-22

Forgiveness Ephesians 1:7

The "old man" crucified Galatians 2:20; Romans 6:6

- **Regeneration EVENT Benefits (unchangeable, objective realities, secured by God for the believer at conversion):**

Loved by God: Colossians 3:12

Indwelt by the HS: Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 6:19

Indwelt by Christ: Galatians 2:20

A member of Christ's body: 1 Corinthians 12:27

Members of one another: Romans 12:5

Confident access to God: Hebrews 4:16

Under grace: Romans 5:2, 21; 6:14

Saved from God's wrath: Romans 5:9

Free from condemnation: Romans 8:1

Unable to be separated from Christ: Romans 8:35-39

Peace with God: Romans 5:1

The fruit of the HS: Galatians 5:22-23

Citizenship in heaven: Philippians 3:20; Ephesians 2:6-7

III. "In Christ" - THE REGENERATE MAN (Mixed condition): "Being made righteous" (INTRODUCED)

- **The mixed condition of regenerate man is characterized by:**

The new identity in Christ: 1 Corinthians 1:30

The fruit of the Holy Spirit: Galatians 5:22-23; John 14:17

Good works: Ephesians 2:10; Titus 2:14

An ability to obey God: Philippians 2:1-3; Romans 5:21; 6:4; Galatians 5:16

Proneness to sin: Galatians 5:17; Hebrews 12:1-2; Revelation 2:4; Ephesians 4:30; Colossians 2:20; 2Colossians 12:20-21

Ongoing repentance: 1 John 1:8-9

Ongoing faith: Galatians 2:20

Progress in Christ-likeness: 2 Corinthians 3:18; 4:16

Freedom from slavery to sin: Romans 6:6-7; 14-18

- **Key descriptions of this new condition:**

A mixed condition

Able to not sin; able to please God

A fight within (against sin and for Jesus)

Enslaved to God, righteousness and obedience

Residual sin AND regeneration are evident in all faculties (thoughts, emotions, motives, actions)

Able to shepherd his heart away from sin and to God

Not under God's wrath or judgment