

Church Sub Theme for 2019-21: “What’s The Church Supposed To Be Like?!” (Problems in the Church)

Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

Sunday, April 25, 2021

Sermon Outline

II. BELIEVERS MUST REMEMBER OUR PRE-SALVATION
CONDITION BEFORE GOD, Eph. 2:1-10

*(Unless we fail to always appreciate God’s Great
Mercy toward us who are Gentile Believers.)*

- A. We Were Spiritually Dead Before God, v-1-3
 - 1. Dead in our sins, v-1
 - 2. We were under Satan’s control and followed him, v-2
 - 3. We were slaves to our sinful lusts and before God were children of His wrath like the rest of mankind, v-3
- B. God Was Rich In Mercy And Rescued Us, v-4-9
 - 1. His Love toward us was Great, v-4
 - 2. While we were dead in our sins God made us alive with Christ, v-5 (Saved us)
 - 3. He identified us with Christ’s Resurrection and Glory, v-6, 7
 - (a) We were now in a spiritual relationship with God, v-6a
 - (b) We were now destined for Eternal Glory and Divine Favor Forever, v-6b, 7
 - 4. He saved us by His Grace through the means of Faith, v-8, 9
- C. God Created Us In Christ As Redeemed People For The Purpose To Do Good Works, v-10

III. WE MUST ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT WE WHO
WERE SO FAR FROM GOD HAVE BEEN BROUGHT
NEAR TO HIM, v-11-19

- A. We Were Unsaved Gentiles, v-11, 12
 - Cf. 1 Cor. 10:32
 - 1. With no favor before God, v-11
 - 2. We were in a desperate, hopeless situation, v-12
- B. In Christ God Has Brought Us Near To Himself, v-13-18
 - 1. God’s means was the death of Christ, v-13
 - 2. Christ has made peace possible between Jew and Gentiles, v-14-18
 - (a) He became our peace and broke down the wall, v-14
 - (b) He abolished the enmity between us – The Law, v-15a; Col 2:13, 14
 - (c) He made us one group in Himself, v-15b
 - (d) He reconciled Jew and gentile to God in one body through His death On the cross, v-16-18. Cf. Jn. 8:24; Jn. 14:6
- C. We Are Now Fellow Citizens With All Of The Redeemed Of The Ages, v-19