

Hebrews part 4 "Freedom from the Law" 07/23/2023 Reflection Questions

- 1. Have you even been tempted to believe that "God only loves you when you have right beliefs and right behavior"? Have you known God to be a cosmic disciplinarian ready to discipline you when you don't get it exactly right?
- 2. Hebrews 10:19-20 tells us that we come to God "by a new and living way;" what does that statement mean to you?
- 3. Colossians 2:15 tells us that God removed the ammunition that was used to continually accuse us. Why would we think that God is our accuser? Is God the opposite of our accuser?
- 4. What did you think of this idea: "The beauty of your transformation in life will never outrun the beauty of your image of God"?
- 5. In Zechariah chapter 3, the devil stands before Joshua the high priest and accuses him of sin. His priestly garments are filthy. Although the accusations are true, nevertheless the Lord rebukes the devil for pointing out shortcomings. If the Lord defends His servants from accusation under the old covenant, how much more to you feel He will defend His children under the new covenant?
- 6. If God forgives our past sins one by one or forgives them all in one fell swoop, how does that still leave us vulnerable in the future? When Colossians 2:14 says that God "canceled the unfavorable record of our debts with its binding rules and did away with it completely..." how did God fundamentally deal with the issue of sin and the law?
- 7. In the analogy of living in the "land of Satan's rule" vs "living in the land of God's rule," what are some of the primary differences between these two lands. How are the motivations different?
- 8. Do you agree that love of God can motivate and transform you in ways that the threat of hell and damnation never could?