VICTORY OVER DEATH

The Chastisement Of Our Peace

- I. God's will is GOOD-It is what He likes-Gn1:31-God saw EVERYTHING that he had made and behold IT was VERY (exceedingly) GOOD (well, beautiful, bountiful, prosperity, wealth, rich, excellent)-Gn2:8-Planted a garden eastward in Eden (pleasure-enjoyment of good, delight, luxury, delicacy) and there he put the man whom he had formed-Ez28:12
 - A. In the beginning everything was pristine, but death entered the world and left a wake of carnage-Rm5:12-By one man sin entered into the world and death by sin and so death passed upon all men-TL-His sin spread death throughout the whole world so everything began to grow old and die-Is24:6-The curse devoured the earth
 - B. <u>Satan's aim is destruction</u>-Sin is a means to an end-**Rv9:11**-Apollyon (destroyer)-**1Pt5:8**-Devour-**Jn10:10-Is14:12**-Weaken nations (waste away)
 - 1. Parallel this with Genesis 1:31-Everything was good
- II. Jesus came undo what sin and death did; To reestablish the well-being of man back to Genesis 1:31-1Jn3:8-For this purpose was the Son of God manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil-AC-Undo the works the devil has done
 - A. <u>Death left man in a wretched condition</u>-Spirit/soul/body/eternal death
 - B. Rescue us from RUIN-Man was not doing well, we lost our well-being-Lk19:10-The son of man came to seek and to save (deliver, rescue, preserve, do well) that which was lost (perish, destroy, ruined)
 - 1. $\underline{\text{NOT}}$ that which was confused and in a clouded state, but that which was ruined
- III. He did all of this for our peace, this whole thing was about our peace-Left heaven, became a man, scourged, marred, crucified, died, made sin/curse, went to hell-Is53:3-He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief...4Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows...5He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement OF OUR PEACE (well/happy/safe/health/prosperity-Ps122:6-7) was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. 6The Lord hath laid on him the iniquity (punishment) of us all. 7He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth...8...he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.9...he made his grave with the wicked...10Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him...12He hath poured out his soul unto death-AM-The punishment [required] for our well-being fell on Him-GW-He was punished so that we could have peace-TLV-Shalom
 - A. <u>Values our PEACE/prosperity (Ps122:6-7)</u>-He doesn't want you poor and not doing well-**Ps35:27**-Let them shout for joy and be glad that favor my righteous cause: yea let them say continually, Let the Lord be magnified which has pleasure in the **PROSPERITY** of his servant-**2Co8:9**-For your sakes he became poor that ye through his poverty might be rich
 - B. <u>Did it because He loved us; Love is inseparable from prosperity-</u>Jn3:16-3Jn2-Beloved I wish above all things that you prosper and be in

- health...**Love**-Benevolence-Disposition to do good; Love accompanied with a desire to promote happiness
- C. God has peace on his mind-Rm10:15-How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace-Ac10:36,Ps85:8,Ep2:17-Jr29:11-I know the thoughts that I think toward you says the Lord thoughts of peace and not evil-Is9:6-Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given...his name shall be called...The Prince of Peace.7Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end-Rm15:33-God of peace be with you allJer33:9-All the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it
- D. Not just peace with God-2Pt1:1-To them that have obtained like precious faith with u...2Grace and peace (health, welfare, prosperity, every kind of good) be multiplied unto you-1Pt1:2,Ju1:2-Gn39:2-The Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man
- IV. If you will follow The Lord you can enjoy peace IN THIS LIFE-Is48:18-0 that you had hearkened to my commandments! Then had thy peace been as a river and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea-AC-Your peace and prosperity would have been flowing like a river-GNB-Blessings would have flowed for you like a stream that never goes dry. Victory would have come to you like the waves that roll on the shore-GNV-Thy prosperity been as the flood
 - A. Not just peace in Heaven-Some say all this peace is in Heaven-Lk2:14-Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace-Pr11:31-The righteous shall be recompensed in the earth-Ps41:1-Blessed is he that considers the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble. The Lord will preserve him and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness-1Tm4:8-Godliness is profitable unto all things, have promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come-EX-Serving God brings you blessings in this life and in the future life, too-Mk10:30-He shall receive an hundredfold now in this time...and in the world to come eternal life.
 - B. <u>Some say Jesus' work only provides something for us in eternity</u>-Jesus suffering, dying and resurrection made me a seed of Abraham and that gives me access to all that Abraham had access to-Ga3:29-And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise-Lk13:16-Ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?-Ex23:25-I will take sickness away from the midst of you-Gn15:1-I am thy shield and they exceeding great reward-Dt8:18-It is he that giveth thee the power to get wealth
 - C. <u>In the Old Covenant all the prosperity was material/physical, but the New Covenant adds spiritual/eternal prosperity-WE DIDN'T LOSE THE OTHER</u>
- V. Say it continually: God takes pleasure in my prosperity-Ps35:27

- A. We are not ashamed of the qospel of Christ/peace-We're not trying to fight with people or force something down their throat, but we aren't backing off of it-Rm1:16-For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ
- B. It's a subtle attempt by the devil not to chip away at a doctrine, but to chip away at the character of God-Peace/prosperity is not a doctrinal issue, but this is who is God-Rm15:33,Rm16:20,Ph4:9,1Th5:23,Hb13:20-God of peace