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### Judgment pt. 3

Review:

- What judgment is: dividing, not punishment
- Dividing between first and second – What these are.
- Blueprints vs. House – we're in the second.
- He takes away the first to establish the second
  - Finished in his view, but we are coming to that view.
  - Judgment working in us.

And the truth is, in my opinion, that most of us are in Christ without judgment. We're IN CHRIST...if we're believers. But we're without judgment, without an understanding of this judgment. Maybe a doctrinal understanding, but that division has not been wrought in our hearts.

So now, this division is working in our hearts. As the reality of Christ and Him crucified is revealed in our hearts. But, as that happens, its not just showing you the difference between the first and the second. Its actually eliminating the first. Its actually taking away the first.

Its not just pointing out the difference. Many believers can point out the difference (at least to some degree) between Adam and Christ, old man and Christ, etc. At least to some degree. But that's not good enough. The question is what is being taken away, and what is being established. There is where it matters. There is where growth is.

The Law will point out the difference between the two, but will still leave you in the flesh and in condemnation. Most Christians will live in condemnation because they know enough about the difference to get condemned, but not enough to where the first is taken away and the second is established. Can you hear that this morning?

Its not about pointing out the difference. Its about eliminating the old and being found in the new.

We know that by looking at light and darkness. The coming of light into a room doesn't just show you the difference between light and dark, it does do that, but it takes away the darkness. In fact, you could say that the darkness cannot stand in the presence of light. The first cannot stand in the presence of the second. In the coming of the One is the taking away of the other.

Look at Hebrews chapter 10.

**Heb 10:9** then He said, "Lo, I come to do Your will, O God." He takes away the first so that He may establish the second.

Do you see how he takes away the first? "Lo, I come". Yes, in the coming of the second. In the coming of the substance. In the coming of the light, OUT GOES THE DARKNESS.

And that is the order of it. That is ALWAYS the order of it. Think about what waste of time it would be for you to sit around a dark room trying to get rid of the darkness without the coming of light. How are you going to get rid of it? It just is. You can yell at it. You can tell yourself you're going to ignore it. You can cast it out til you're blue in the face. But if there is no light, its going nowhere.

"Lo, I COME! – He takes away the first to establish the second." Lo...here comes light, and in the coming of light there will be no darkness.

Don't waste your time trying to decrease. You will only decrease with the increase of Him. Don't waste your time trying to crucify yourself. Trying to die daily. I know that the scriptures say that we "die daily", but that's not your work, that is the byproduct of the increase of life. That's the increase of Christ.

Don't waste your time trying to figure out how you're going to decrease. Listen to John the Baptist – there's an order to this thing. He must increase, I must decrease. That's the way it works. John – the man who represented the first. All of the Law and prophets testified until John. All of the old testified up until John, Jesus says. But now I have come. And John is dead right – "He must increase, I must decrease".

If you start pointing out to yourself over and over again just how dark you are...do you really think that's going to get rid of it? The law can point out what is darkness, but it just says "shame on you!". But Christ is light. He's the marvelous light. He replaces the darkness with the light of Himself.

Judgment working in your heart is the doing away of that which cannot exist in light.

Do you understand that? We're not trying to crucify ourselves to let Christ live. That's not how it works. You're dead. You've been crucified with Christ and He is now your life. Well, what's the problem then. Well, we're in Christ but without judgment. We've come to salvation, but not to judgment. You need the reality worked into your heart so that you can now walk in what was established by the cross.

So what is dying daily? What's carrying your cross? Simply this: it is the taking away from you, from your heart, what has already been taken away by the cross. You dying to that which is dead. That's the judgment we've been talking about. The judgment working in your heart. Nothing is done away in judgment except what has already been done away by the cross. It takes out of your heart what he has already taken out of His sight.

Its like condemnation. We know that in Christ there is no condemnation...but why is it still in my heart? Judgment.

It takes out of your heart what he has already taken out of His sight. Its suffering the loss of all that was gain to you in the first because He's taken away the first to establish the second.

And I'm not going to tell you that sometimes that isn't hard. It can be very hard. It's well worth it, but it's hard. Once you loosen your grip on the first and let it be taken away, you'll see that the second is far greater. You'll see that such sufferings are not worthy to be compared to the glory being revealed in us. You'll see that, as Jesus says, that you have to lose your life, even disdaining that of the first, in order to gain the second.

But, you see, everything that seems good in the first will be given back to in the second, but it will be given back as Christ Himself. What do I mean? Well, if you lose the wisdom of man, in the gaining of Christ you will gain Christ made unto you wisdom. If you lose family in the first for the sake of the gospel, you will gain family indeed in the gaining of Christ.

But friends, you must be willing to lose the so-called good of the first. At a heart level. God will not share his glory. In His presence, no flesh will glory. What do I mean? Ok, try to hear this.

The Father is not going to reveal His Son in you just to prove something. He's not going to appear to your heart just to assuage your curiosity or your quest for good doctrine. He's just not. If you are asking Him to reveal His Son in you just to check out some new teaching, or try out some new idea, I can almost promise you that you'll see nothing. Because God is not going to show you His Son as another Christian concept, another truism, some good teaching. He's only going to show you His son to the destruction of everything else – everything of the first, ever carnal idea, every thing of the flesh, everything of the old man, EVERYTHING.

He's not going to reveal His Son in you so that He can sit on your mantle alongside your other "good doctrines", "good Christian concepts", or in your file cabinet under the file labeled "I remember when I learned that".

Can you see what I'm saying? He will not share his glory with flesh. In his sight no flesh will glory. You can't see the second unless you are thoroughly finished with the first. He will not appear out from the second if you are unwilling to let everything else go.

That's what it means that He will resist the proud and give grace to the humble. That's what it means that you must fall on the rock and be broken. That's what it means that you must become a fool in order to become wise. That's what it means that you must become a child in order to grow up. That's what it means that you have to lose your life to gain His.

You must be willing to lose the first. You have to be done with it in your hearts.  
**The Egyptians were tired of slavery, but they weren't done with Egypt.**

Can you see that? He's not going to unveil the second until your heart is thoroughly done with the first and ready for it to be taken away – because He will not share his glory with your religion. He will only ever appear unto the absolute desolation, the absolute destruction of all that is not Him.

And this I can promise you. If I know nothing else, I know this: that the revealing of Christ and Him crucified, **this judgment that I'm speaking of, will take from you anything you've found and gained in Christianity other than Christ. It**

**will take from you anything you've made Christianity into other than Christ.**  
And you have to let it go. If it was Him, you'll find it again in Him, as Him.

But that is why people resist the cross. That's why people resist the judgment. It's a ruthless judgment. The whole first has to go.

But we're like king Saul – "what about these really good sheep and oxen, I saved the best of the first for God!". EVERYTHING MUST GO. We're like Cain – "But Lord I've prepared you something from the best of the earth". Everything must go. "But Lord, there's a lot of nice Canaanites in this land...lets just share the land" – everyone must go. Only the Seed lives in this land.

Its like Jesus standing in front of the temple and saying "He guys, you can knock that thing down now because I'm here". And they say "it took us 40 years to build this thing". And Jesus says "Yeah, but I'm here now. The second has come. And by the way, you can throw away those priestly uniforms, that big hat, oh, that alter...you can sell that for scrap metal, and that curtain ...why don't you fold that up and put it away, and while you're at it...you can let all of these sheep go, etc".

"Jesus, are you crazy?" – No, I'm not. And if you don't take it away voluntarily, I'll have the Roman Emperor Titus do it for you in a few years...because you missed the day that the second came. You missed the day that I took away the first.

Do you all know that in 70 AD, the Roman emperor Titus gathered a huge army around Jerusalem and besieged it. And in one day they broke in, killed over a million Jews, and wiped out everything. Not one stone left upon another. Completely wiped them out.

I know there are Jews still alive today. I know there are Jews living in Palestine today. But there is no ark, to temple, no priesthood, no priestly garments, no altar, no instruments, no sacrifices, no offerings, NOTHING OF THE FIRST that pointed to the second. It was completely taken away, and it remains that way today.

Luk 19:42 saying, If you had known, even you in this day of yours, the things for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. 43 For the days will come on you that your enemies will raise up a rampart to you, and will surround you, and will keep you in on every side. 44 And they will tear you down, and your children within you, and will not leave a stone on a stone because you did not know the time of your visitation. 45 And entering into the temple, He began to cast out those selling and buying in it,

Don't you see that that is exactly what happened. They missed it. They missed the coming of the second. They missed the putting away of the first and so it was destroyed. It was destroyed on the cross, but they missed it...so he took it from them 40 years later so there would be no confusion as to what had come. All that they were living for, all that they were doing for 40 years came to nothing. And we say "how could they have missed it?!". **Friends WE'RE MISSING IT!**

We're missing it and its already come! We're holding on to the first, and He's established the second. And we can live 40 years holding on to the first, but sooner or later all that we're holding on to is going to be shown to be nothing. Not one stone left upon another.

Oh, it breaks my heart. But listen to me for a minute here. Just listen to a couple stories of the people of God. Search your hearts and see if this is you. I know its me.

Once there was a people that were in slavery in Egypt. God wanted to take them out of slavery, but the only way out was coming in. The only way out of the first was coming into the second. Now this is type and shadow, but its real. It's a real testimony. Its not fake. Its real.

So He longed to have them in. Here was the plan of God for the children of Israel who were trapped in Egypt.

**Exo 15:17** You shall bring them and plant them **in** the mountain of Your inheritance, the place, O Jehovah, You have made for You to dwell in; the Sanctuary, O Jehovah, *which* Your hands have established.

There was no getting out, unless they came in. So He said to them – I'm going to bring you in. I'm going to show you my house. I'm going to show you my dwelling place, my sanctuary, my Son! Kill a lamb. Take its blood and put it over your door. Go inside that door, go through the blood, into that house, and eat my lamb.

And the moment they went into that house they left Egypt. Do you see that? Do you see that getting out of the actual land didn't really get them out. They left it, but it never left them. Can you see that the way out of Egypt was really going into that door, into that blood covered dwelling place? Do you see that if they would have comprehended that dwelling place they never would have wandered in the wilderness.

The only way out of Egypt was through that blood covered door. Do you know that they weren't supposed to spend 40 years in the wilderness? God had already told Moses he only wanted a 3 day journey in the wilderness. Exodus chapter 8. Death, burial, and resurrection. It was supposed to be three days, not 40 years.

Why the 40 years of wandering? Why the 40 years of waste? Because they missed the second. Because they missed what happened when they went into the house with the lambs blood on the door. Do you see that? They were given the law in the wilderness because they missed the lamb. They were given the tabernacle because they missed the door. They were given more shadows because they missed the dwelling place.

40 years...and then what? Then they entered in? NO...THEN THEY DIED. They fell in the wilderness. Their children entered in. But they died. 40 years of what? Learning the ways of the Lord? No, 40 years of holding onto the first and refusing the second. 40 years of refusing to be circumcised. 40 years of rejecting the faith of Abraham. 40 years of wandering. 40 years of carnal minded unbelief.

And then what? Then destruction. Why? Friends...because they missed the point. They missed the appearing of the lamb. They missed the second.

Story number two:

Its Jesus' day. Here comes the second in bodily form. Colossians "in Him dwelled all of the fullness of the Godhead bodily, and you are complete in Him". There he

was...the fullness. The one in whom we were made full. We were made complete. There he was teaching on the streets. Healing the sick. Mr. Second Himself...if you'll allow that title.

He came unto His own. He came to those who should have recognized Him because they had the first. They had the testimony. He came to His own and they did not recognize Him. Worse than that...they rejected Him. Worse than that, they killed Him. BUT WORSE THAN THAT!...they held onto the first after the second had come. After He burst out of the tomb!

And here He comes in the power of resurrection. He brings many sons into union, unto glory, unto resurrection. And they don't blink an eye...they just keep right on going with their temple, their garments, their priesthood, their sacrifices, their altar, their feasts, their Sabbaths. They hold on to the first! They hold it because they gain from it. What an abomination! Oh, and it brought terrible desolation.

How long does God put up with it? How long? **40 years.** Sound familiar. 40 years of wandering. 40 years of unbelief. 40 years refusing to be circumcised of heart. 40 years rejecting the Seed of Abraham. 40 years!!!!!!!

And then what? Then destruction. Total destruction. Why? Because they missed the point. They missed the appearing of the Lamb. They missed the second, holding firmly to the first.

Why am I talking about this? Brothers and sisters we should fall on our faces and cry out "Father, don't let me miss the day of His appearing! The day that I'm in.

Hebrews 4 tells us that the children of Israel refused to enter into God's rest because of unbelief, and then tells us that, as long as it is possible to enter into that rest, the day of rest, let us not follow their example.

The day that has come! Father, don't let me refuse to enter into my rest because I'm holding on to the first. Don't let me Father. I'll let it go. I'll let anything go. I'll loosen my grip.

But this one thing I pray – Father "take away the first and establish the second". Take away the first in me. Take away in my heart what you've already taken away at the cross. Don't let me live 40 more years offering you the sacrifices of the first, the ministry of the first, the priesthood of the first, the services of the first". "Don't let it all come to nothing – not one stone upon another."

Open my eyes, Father and reveal the second. Open my eyes and reveal your Son in me.

Amen