



# The Full Gospel Church

## ACKNOWLEDGING YOUR SIN

The first step to salvation is to acknowledge that you are a sinner. Not many people even want to acknowledge that they are wicked and evil sinners. Many want to believe that by doing good they are eligible for eternal life. This lie is propagated by many in the so-called Christian community. Many churches are no longer preaching the need for repentance. There are some denominations that have become havens for homosexuality and preach that God made the homosexual that way. Where are the preachers like Billy Sunday and Jonathan Edwards who preached repentance and salvation from sin.

### Isaiah 64:6

6 But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

All of our good deeds and righteousness cannot save us from the wrath of God. We are all filthy sinners according to the Bible. There is none righteous no not one! All of us have sinned and have come short of the glory of God! There is very little teaching on the wrath of God against our wickedness. None of us are clean and above reproach when we come face to face with our creator.

### Romans 1:18-32

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;  
19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto

them.

20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:

25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.

26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit,

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malignity; whisperers,  
30 Backbiters, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,  
31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:  
32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

All of us are failures when it comes to attempting to measure up to God's righteousness. We are all sinners and fall short! We are all facing God's wrath against all unrighteousness. How many of you are proud of your accomplishments? Look at verse 30 above and see where your pride will get you. How many of you have boasted about your accomplishments? If you have just done either of these two items you are worthy of death! If you look carefully at the above list, not a single person can say that they are not a sinner! Not a single one of us cannot say that we are not guilty of some sin mentioned above.

We all are sinners and deserve the fire of hell! Not a single one of us deserves to enter into heaven on our own merits! No matter how righteous we are, we are all sinners in the eyes of God! All of us are deserving of hell and damnation for all eternity.

## **Romans 3:23**

23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

There is only one hope for us! First we need to acknowledge and recognize that we are sinners. We need to realize that no matter how righteous we are, all of our righteousness is as filthy rags. That makes us sinners before God.

When we recognize that we are a sinner, we realize that we need help. We need a savior! We need salvation! We cannot enter into heaven on our own. For those of you that do not believe that

there is a hell, my grandfather was an atheist. When died, the fear on his face was terrible. The funeral home could not cover up the fear that was evident.

Whether you believe in God or not, we are all going to face our creator. On that day all of your unbelief will be exposed, and you will believe when you are sentenced to an eternity in the lake of fire. Then your unbelief will become belief!

## **Romans 2:1-5**

1 Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things.

2 But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things.

3 And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God?

4 Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?

5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God;

All of you who think of Jesus Christ as a prophet and do not recognize that he is the savior of the world are treasuring up for yourself wrath against the day of wrath. You are heaping coals of fire upon your own head as you refuse to acknowledge your need for salvation. Your day of judgment is coming sooner than you think. The day of your judgment will come upon you when you least expect it. That day you will find yourself facing Jesus Christ, knowing your eternal judgment will be the lake of fire and brimstone.

Why do you refuse to see your need of a savior? Why do you refuse to acknowledge that you are a sinner? Why are you treasuring up for yourself wrath against the day of wrath? Now is the time

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to come to Jesus Christ and acknowledge that you need him as your Lord and Savior! Now is the time to repent of all of your boasting and pride! Now is the time to humble yourself and call upon your creator seeking his forgiveness, redemption, and salvation. Today is the day of salvation! Today is the time to seek for the mercy of the Lord.

The day of your salvation is today. Waiting until tomorrow might be detrimental and catastrophic. Waiting until you clean up your life definitely is detrimental, for you will never be able to measure up to the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you are reading this sermon and you have any doubt about your salvation, now is the time to seek the Lord, asking for his forgiveness and salvation. Waiting until you can get in touch with a preacher of righteousness, might be too late. Waiting for anything could be catastrophic. All you have to do is to ask Jesus Christ to forgive you. Seek the Lord while you still have time. Tell Jesus Christ that you are sorry for not coming to him sooner, and that you are sorry for your sins.

Real repentance leads to salvation, but if you are like those who served with me in the military who were hung over from a night of boozing and riotous living, they had the audacity to ask me to pray for them that their hangover would go away. I told them that the hangover was from God telling them that they really need to change their life and come to him for salvation. When they told me that they were repenting, I said that real repentance is not doing the sin any more. Real repentance is when you turn from your evil ways, reject your wickedness, and seek the Lord's righteousness for your own.

Those who try to fake their way with the Lord will find themselves in dire circumstances! For the Lord knows the contents of your heart and mind. You cannot fool the Lord Jesus Christ!

## **Hebrews 4:12**

12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit,

and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

The Lord knows those who attempt to deceive him. He knows your thoughts before you even know them yourself. He knows your heart's desires and intents. Those who think that repentance is just saying your sorry without stopping what you are repenting for will find themselves facing the great white throne judgment. You cannot attempt to get over on God and expect to win.

## **Revelation 20:11-15**

11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

This is your judgment when you are attempting to connive God. The deceivers who try to deceive God with a phony repentance will find themselves facing the wrath of God. The flames of hell are already around your feet. You sometimes feel the heat from the flames of hell! Your sin is not hid from the Lord Jesus Christ. Your sin is exposed and everyone will see what a wicked sinner you really are.

So now is the time to seek the Lord with your whole heart and lean not to your own understanding. Come to Jesus Christ today while you still have the opportunity.

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The Lord Jesus Christ is seeking you today. Do not turn your back on the Lord while the opportunity exists for you to be saved. Jesus wants all of you to be a new disciple. Won't you come to Jesus and repent of all of your sins?

every one of you in the name of Jesus. Are you ready to repent and turn from your wicked ways? Jesus is calling you this day to come to him and take his salvation. Come to Jesus Christ today and assure your place in heaven.

## **Acts 2:38-41**

38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the LORD our God shall call.

40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

When Peter preached his first sermon in the temple and the audience asked him what they had to do, he told them to repent and be baptized

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