

STUDY PACK 4

I JOHN 2

“Here is a solemn reminder for all Christians that God has no favorites, but that the _____ is sufficient for the whole of mankind. This should serve as a constant reminder to take the gospel to those who are _____.”

Also, there is suggested here the fact that God does not have one method for the sinner’s redemption and another for the saint’s recovery. Christ is all and in all. It is to Him the sinner must come for salvation, and through Him the saint must come _____.”

~~ Lehman Strauss, *Epistles of John*, p. 53 ~~

I. THE PROVISION FOR SIN

- A. God has one clear goal for man – we should not sin.
- B. Jesus Christ is our advocate (lawyer, representative, spokesperson) with the Father.
- C. My sin has already been dealt with and settled with the God of the universe, the Creator God, the eternal Ruler.
- D. After salvation, Christ still serves as my representative with the Father. God’s role as the Creator is different from His role as the Father of the believer.
- E. The word translated advocate is also translated _____.

II. THE PROPITIATION

- A. The word propitiation is almost beyond full definition in human speech. It refers to satisfying the offense of a Holy God toward sin. It is the only way that a holy and pure God can bestow _____.
(See John 1:29; Psalm 130:3-4; Luke 18:13; Psalm 103:3.)
- B. Forgiveness of sin is based upon the person of Christ; Ephesians 1:7; Colossians 1:14. He put away sin permanently and perfectly.

III. FORGIVENESS

- A. The word forgive means to _____, see the scapegoat in Leviticus 16:7-22; Colossians 2:3.

B. From Horatio Bonar:

“I hear the accuser roar
Of ills that I have done
I know them well, and thousands more,
Jehovah findeth none.

Though the restless foe accuses,
Sins recounting like a flood,
Every charge our God refuses;
Christ has answered with His blood.”

C. From Samuel W. Grady:

“Upon a life I did not live,
Upon a death I did not die,
Another’s life, another’s death,
I stake my whole eternity.

It is finished, yet, indeed;
Finished, every jot!
Sinner, this is all you need!
Tell me, is it not.”

IV. FELLOWSHIP WITH EACH OTHER

- A. We have fellowship with the Lord when we _____,
_____, vs 3-4.
- B. Those who are faithful to the Lord will love the brethren. The greatest proof of salvation is _____, v. 5; John 13:34-35.
- C. Those who have the testimony of a Christian should be _____,
_____, v. 6.

V. THE NEW COMMANDMENT

- A. The Old Testament commands that believers love one another _____
_____. Leviticus 19:18, v. 7.
- B. The New Testament expands that commandment to loving the brethren as the
_____. That requires divine light. John 15:10-12.

VI. HATING THE BRETHREN

I John 2 makes it clear that you cannot be in fellowship with the Lord if you hate the brethren, vs. 9, 10, 11.