



BUILDING A CHRIST-CENTERED WORLDVIEW

Thinking Biblically: The Biblical Grid


Theology		
Creation	Fall	Redemption
Cosmology	Hamartiology	Soteriology
Anthropology		

“[A Christ-centered worldview] involves three fundamental dimensions: the original good creation, the perversion of that creation through sin, and the restoration of that creation in Christ.”
 (Albert Wolters, *Creation Regained*)

HAMARTIOLOGY: THE STUDY OF SIN

Sin.
The Answer to the problem of *sins* and *sin*.



- Our *sins* were forgiven by the *blood* of Christ.
- **Romans 3:24-26**
- **Romans 5:8-9**
- We should never try to answer Satan's accusations with our good conduct but always with the blood of our Lord Jesus.
- Our *sin* was dealt with by the *cross* of Christ.
- We came into the sin nature through birth, we must go out by death.
- **Romans 6:3-4**
- **1 Corinthians 1:30**

BUILDING THE FOUNDATION


- **Matthew 7:24-27** – The Wiseman Builds his house on **Truth**
 - **John 14:6** – Way, Truth, Life
 - We are to build our lives on the truth of the gospel.
 - Faith acts on what is true. (**Rom 10:17**)
 - “The just shall live by faith” (**Rom 1:16,17**)



The Just	By Faith	Shall Live
The Way	The Truth	The Life

JUSTIFICATION BY HIS BLOOD

God has only one answer to every human need – His Son.



In all His dealings with us, He works by taking us out of the way and substituting Christ in our place.

1. How does the broken condition of humanity (**Rom. 3:23; 5:12**) get fixed?
 - One word: *justification* – God's act of declaring or making a sinner *righteous* before Him.
 - Righteous: *being* pleasing to God, of worth, of value.
 - Not by what I do (the Law)!
 - **Isaiah 64:6, Romans 10:3; Galatians 2:21.**

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1. How does the broken condition of humanity (**Rom. 3:23; 5:12**) get fixed?
 - By the blood of the Lamb!
 - **Exodus 12:13; Leviticus 16; Hebrews 9:22** – without the shedding of blood, there can be no forgiveness.
 - The shed blood of Christ is the only grounds of our justification
 - **Romans 5:8,9**
 - Justification is a gift of God, not of us!
 - **Romans 5:17.**

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2. The threefold truth of justification through the blood of Christ.
 1. God is satisfied.
 - **1 Peter 1:18,19; Exodus 12:13**
 - **Romans 5:1** – I am at peace with God.
 - **Ephesians 1:13** – I can have intimacy with God.
 - I am sealed “in Him” **Ephesians 1:13,14; 2 Corinthians 1:21,22**
 2. My own conscience is cleansed.
 - **Hebrews 10:22**
 - **Romans 8:1** – no condemnation!
 3. Overcoming Satan the accuser
 - **Romans 8:33,34; 8:31**

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3. Justification restores our relationship with God and allows Him to work in us.
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:23
 - 2 Corinthians 5:21
- How can one tell if he or she is truly justified?
 - Romans 5:17

