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> No Condemnation Unleashing The Power - 5 Pastor Kevin Gemmer July 23 & 24, 2016

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for **it is the power of God for salvation** to everyone who believes..." Romans 1:16 (ESV)

Romans gives us a bigger **<u>PICTURE</u>** of **<u>SALVATION</u>**.

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." Romans 8:1 (ESV)

Signs of Condemnation:

- <u>GUILT</u>
- FEAR
- CRITICISM

"No Condemnation" Means:

God <u>ACCEPTS</u> me and doesn't <u>GIVE UP ON</u> me, because Jesus was <u>CONDEMNED FOR</u> me.

A. God ACCEPTS me.

"For I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion." Romans 9:15 (ESV)

B. God doesn't GIVE UP ON me.

"...if we are faithless, He remains faithful – for He cannot deny Himself." 2 Timothy 2:13 (ESV)

C. Jesus was **CONDEMNED FOR** me.

"Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if **while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son**, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life." Romans 5:9-10 (ESV)

* No condemnation does not mean "NO CONSEQUENCES!"

So What Happens When a Christian Sins?

1. We are **<u>CONVICTED</u>** by God.

"And when He comes, He will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment." John 16:8 (ESV)

2. We **ROB** ourselves of **JOY**.

"Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments!" Psalm 112:1 (ESV)

3. We HURT those around us.

"When the righteous increase, the people rejoice, but when the wicked rule, the people groan." Proverbs 29:2 (ESV)

4. Our relationship with God **BREAKS DOWN**.

"If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth." 1 John 1:6 (ESV)

5. Life loses its **PURPOSE**.

"Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me." John 15:4 (ESV)

How Do You Deal with Sin?

- Own up to your **FAULTS**. *"When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long."* Psalm 32:3 (ESV)
- **ASK** for forgiveness.

"'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,' and you forgave the iniquity of my sin." Psalm 32:5 (ESV)

• ACCEPT that you are FORGIVEN.

"Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered... **Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice**, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!" Psalm 32:1,11 (ESV)