

Message Six

Two Divine Transfers

Scriptures reading: Rom. 5:12-21; 6:3-8; 7:1-6; 8:4-6, 16

I. The factual and positional transfer—Rom. 6:3-8.

- A. In our natural birth, we were born in Adam with all his involvements. In Adam, we were born of the old creation and were already fallen.
1. We were sinners before God with sin in our nature (Rom. 3:23; 7:17); we were dead in our spirit because of sin in our flesh (Eph. 2:1-5; Col. 2:13); and we were enemies of God as the result of following God's enemy, Satan (Rom. 5:10; 8:7; Eph. 2:2).
 2. As those in Adam, we were in the kingdom of Satan, held in thrall under his authority of darkness (Matt. 12:26; Col. 1:13; Acts 26:18). We loved the world, a system which lies in the evil one and of which Satan, the enemy of God, is the ruler (1John 2:15-16; 5:19; John 12:31).
 3. By virtue of the fact that we were in Adam, we had become flesh, and thus were not subject to the law of God, were unable to please God, and had no possibility of being justified by God (Gen. 6:3; Rom. 8:7-8; Gal. 2:16b).
 4. In addition, we walked according to the age of this world and were according to the ruler of the authority of the air, doing the desires of the flesh and being children of wrath by nature (Eph. 2:2-3).
 5. Our condition was worsened by the fact that we were condemned by God under His wrath (John 3:18, 36), and we were sentenced to die, to perish in the lake of fire forever (Heb. 9:27; John 3:16; Rev. 21:8).
- B. In Adam we inherited sin that constitutes us sinners(5:12a, 19a), death that on the one hand, weakens us, disabling us to do things pleasing God, and on the other hand, reigns over us(5:12b, 14a, 17a), and condemnation under the law unto death(5:16a).
- C. In Christ and through Christ we have experienced a permanent, irreversible factual and positional transfer.
1. We were regenerated in Christ in resurrection (1Pet 1:3), and in this rebirth we were transferred out of Adam into Christ.
 2. In Christ we have been judicially redeemed, forgiven, justified, and reconciled to God (Eph. 1:7; Rom. 3:24; 5:10).

3. In Christ we have been delivered out of the evil kingdom of Satan, the authority of darkness (Col. 1:13), freed from the warring, subduing, and killing power of sin (Rom. 6:7; 7:11, 17-23), freed from the yoke of slavery of the law (Gal. 5:1), and freed from the vanity of the old creation and the slavery of corruption (Rom. 8:20-21).
 4. In Christ we have been regenerated organically to be the children of God growing and developing into the many sons of God, the many brothers of Christ, for the constitution of the church, the Body of Christ (1Pet. 1:3; Rom. 8:16; 14, 29; 12:5; Eph. 1:22-23).
 5. Now in Christ, we are sanctified by the Spirit of life (Rom. 8:2) with God's holiness, the element of the divine nature (15:16) we are renewed from the oldness of the old man by the renewing Spirit of life (12:2; Titus 3:5); we are transformed by the Lord Spirit with the life element of Christ (Rom. 12:2; 2Cor. 3:18); we are being conformed through transformation in life to the image of the firstborn Son of God, a process that makes us the many God-men, the mass reproduction of Christ, the prototypical God-man (Rom. 8:29); and we will be glorified to be completely redeemed in our body for the full enjoyment of the divine sonship (vv. 21, 23).
- D. In Christ we have been gifted with righteousness(5:17b), life(5:17b), and justification under grace unto life, in which we reign with grace over all things(5:17b, 18b, 21).

II. The practical and experiential transfer.

- A. Out of the flesh (the practical and experiential Adam) through our being crucified with Christ—7:1-6.
- B. Into the Spirit (the practical and experiential Christ) through our union with the Spirit—8:16a; 1Cor. 6:17.
- C. By:
 1. Setting our mind not on the flesh but on the mingled spirit unto life and peace—8:5-6.
 2. Walking and having our being not according to the flesh but according to the mingled spirit unto the fulfillment of the righteous requirement of the law—8:4.
 3. Reigning in life with grace over all things unto eternal life—5:17b, 21.

- III. **The factual and positional transfer is an objective fact accomplished once for all, but the practical and experiential transfer is a daily, hourly, and even moment-by-moment experience.**

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Reference Scripture Verses:

Rom. 5:12-21. **12** Therefore just as through one man sin entered into the world, and through sin, death; and thus death passed on to all men because all have sinned -- **13** For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not charged to one's account when there is no law. **14** But death reigned from Adam until Moses, even over those who had not sinned after the likeness of Adam's transgression, who is a type of Him who was to come. **15** But *it is* not *that* as the offense was, so also the gracious gift is; for if by the offense of the one the many died, much more the grace of God and the free gift in grace of the one man Jesus Christ have abounded to the many. **16** And *it is* not *that* as through one who sinned, *so also* the free gift is; for the judgment was out of one *offense* unto condemnation, but the gracious gift is out of many offenses unto justification. **17** For if by the offense of the one death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ. **18** So then as *it was* through one offense unto condemnation to all men, so also *it was* through one righteous act unto justification of life to all men. **19** For just as through the disobedience of one man the many were constituted sinners, so also through the obedience of the One the many will be constituted righteous. **20** And the law entered in alongside that the offense might abound; but where sin abounded, grace has super-abounded, **21** In order that just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness unto eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rom. 6:3-8. **3** Or are you ignorant that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? **4** We have been buried therefore with Him through baptism into His death, in order that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so also we might walk in newness of life. **5** For if we have grown together with *Him* in the likeness of His death, indeed we will also be *in the likeness* of His resurrection, **6** Knowing this, that our old man has been crucified with *Him* in order that the body of sin might be annulled, that we should no longer serve sin as slaves; **7** For he who has died is justified from sin. **8** Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him,

Rom. 7:1-6. **1** Or are you ignorant, brothers (for I speak to those who know the law), that the law lords it over the man as long as he lives? **2** For the married woman is bound by the law to her husband while he is living; but if the husband dies, she is discharged from the law regarding the husband. **3** So then if, while the husband is living, she is joined to another man, she will be called an adulteress; but if the husband dies, she is free from the law, so that she is not an adulteress, though she is joined to another man. **4** So then, my brothers, you also have been made dead to the law through the body of Christ so that you might be joined to another, to Him who has been raised from the dead, that we might bear fruit to God. **5** For when we were in the flesh, the passions for sins, which *acted* through the law, operated in our members to bear fruit to death. **6** But now we have been discharged from the law, having died to that in which we were held, so that we serve in newness of spirit and not in oldness of letter.

Rom. 8:4-6. **4** That the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the spirit. **5** For those who are according to the flesh mind the things of the flesh; but those who are according to the spirit, the things of the Spirit. **6** For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the spirit is life and peace.

Rom. 8:16 The Spirit Himself witnesses with our spirit that we are children of God.

I.

Rom. 3:23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

Rom. 7:17 Now then *it is* no longer I *that* work it out but sin that dwells in me.

Eph. 2:1-5. **1** And you, though dead in your offenses and sins, **2** In which you once walked according to the age of this world, according to the ruler of the authority of the air, of the spirit which is now operating in the sons of disobedience; **3** Among whom we also all conducted ourselves once in the lusts of our flesh, doing the desires of the flesh and of the thoughts, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest; **4** But God, being rich

in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, **5** Even when we were dead in offenses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved)

Col. 2:13 And you, though dead in your offenses and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our offenses;

Rom. 8:7 Because the mind set on the flesh is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, for neither can it be.

Matt. 12:26 And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand?

Col. 1:13 Who delivered us out of the authority of darkness and transferred *us* into the kingdom of the Son of His love,

Acts. 26:18 To open their eyes, to turn *them* from darkness to light and *from* the authority of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.

1John 2:15-16. 15 Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in him; **16** Because all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the vainglory of life, is not of the Father but is of the world.

1John 5:19 We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies in the evil one.

John 12:31 Now is the judgment of this world; now shall the ruler of this world be cast out.

Gen. 6:3 And Jehovah said, My Spirit will not strive with man forever, for he indeed is flesh; so his days will be one hundred twenty years.

Rom. 8:7-8. 7 Because the mind set on the flesh is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, for neither can it be. **8** And those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

Gal. 2:16 And knowing that a man is not justified out of works of law, but through faith in Jesus Christ, we also have believed into Christ Jesus that we might be justified out of faith in Christ and not out of the works of law, because out of the works of law no flesh will be justified.

John 3:18 He who believes into Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe has been condemned already, because he has not believed into the name of the only begotten Son of God.

John 3:36 He who believes into the Son has eternal life; but he who disobeys the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides upon him.

Heb. 9:27 And inasmuch as it is reserved for men to die once, and after this *comes* judgment,

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that every one who believes into Him would not perish, but would have eternal life.

Rev. 21:8 But the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and fornicators and sorcerers and idolaters and all the false, their part will be in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.

II.

1Pet. 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has regenerated us unto a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

Eph. 1:7 In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of offenses, according to the riches of His grace,

Rom. 3:24 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;

Rom. 5:10 For if we, being enemies, were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more we will be saved in His life, having been reconciled,

Rom. 7:11 For sin, seizing the opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed *me*.

Rom. 7:17-23. 17 Now then *it is* no longer *I that* work it out but sin that dwells in me. **18** For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but to work out the good is not. **19** For I do

not do the good which I will; but the evil which I do not will, this I practice. **20** But if what I do not will, this I do, *it is* no longer I *that* work it out but sin that dwells in me. **21** I find then the law with me who wills to do the good, that is, the evil is present with me. **22** For I delight in the law of God according to the inner man, **23** But I see a different law in my members, warring against the law of my mind and making me a captive to the law of sin which is in my members.

Rom. 8:20-21. **20** For the creation was made subject to vanity, not of its own will, but because of Him who subjected *it*, **21** In hope that the creation itself will also be freed from the slavery of corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

Rom. 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

Rom. 8:29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated *to be* conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;

Rom. 12:5 So we who are many are one Body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

Eph. 1:22-23. **22** And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him *to be* Head over all things to the church, **23** Which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all.

Rom. 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life has freed me in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and of death.

Rom. 15:16 That I might be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles, a laboring priest of the gospel of God, in order that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, having been sanctified in the Holy Spirit.

Rom. 12:2 And do not be fashioned according to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and well pleasing and perfect.

Titus 3:5 Not out of works in righteousness which we did but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit,

2Cor. 3:18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

Rom. 8:21 In hope that the creation itself will also be freed from the slavery of corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

Rom. 8:23 And not only *so*, but we ourselves also, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan in ourselves, eagerly awaiting sonship, the redemption of our body.