<u>GOODBYE GUILT</u> <u>UNLEASHING THE POWER OF THE NEW COVENANT IN YOUR LIFE</u> Part 1

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(All scripture in the King James Version unless otherwise noted, and mostly the title of God replaced with his holy name Yahweh)

The Lord spoke to me and he said, you have done a wonderful job teaching my people about the Old Covenant in your life, but they now need to understand the New Covenant. And so tonight when you understand the New Covenant that you're walking under, you're going to be set free from guilt forever, amen.

I want to talk to you about a few of the lies the minute you come to this church. Your fellow Christians are going to say the following things...they're going to say that none of us can keep the law perfectly. And do you know what? They're correct. If ya'll break one law, you've broke them all. They're correct. Pastor Vaughn, even my thoughts are sinful. They're correct. You can only trust in Christ for our salvation and not our works. They're correct...for salvation, not rewards.

Your Christian friends will attack you the moment you tell them you're keeping the Sabbath day holy. Because honestly let's just talk about this. Honestly, what's the point of keeping it holy when you were on the phone this week talking to someone things you shouldn't be talking. So now, that's a sin. So why even bother? I mean, let's just be honest. Brother Vaughn, you're teaching people, you're bringing them back to the law. You're teaching them what they can eat and what they can't eat. And you're teaching them what God's word says about these commandments, but the truth is brother Vaughn, if you broke one, you broke them all.

This is what y'all are going to get hit with everyday among Christianity. And then when they say those things in your Baptist churches and wherever you're from, they are correct about all of that. And then what it does in your mind...and uh, not to pick on you sister, but you live a life separated in holiness, and how many times have you ever heard somebody say, maybe about your long dress, how many times have they ever said, but your tongue's just as long as your dress—it ain't no good, right? They're right.

So why even try? Because everyone in this room breaks the law of God if not on a daily basis, on a weekly. There's nobody in here that in some way or another does not come short of the glory of God. And brothers and sisters, if you're striving to keep these commandments, when you break them it will torment your mind. And

the enemy will come into your mind and say, just give it all up because you can't do none of it. And you've got to have a way to fight him back.

And tonight I've come to give you the weapon that God has revealed to me to get these devils out of your mind that torment you because you're not living it perfectly. I want to tell you you're never gong to live this thing perfectly, never, never! So, should we not strive for perfection? See, that's where they offer no solutions.

What is their solution? Well, here our argument is on the other side. What do we do with the command that says be ye holy even as I am holy? We just admitted none of us can be, okay? What about the scripture that says, walk worthy of your calling? He that is born of Yahweh does not sin. But you just admitted you do. We've got a conundrum in Christianity and we need a revelation of how to work our way through this.

What about the scripture that says he that keeps not my commandments are none of mine. No sin shall enter the kingdom of God. But you just told me that you said something on the phone this week to somebody that you shouldn't have said. I found out about conversations that were going on at the feast of Tabernacles, running your brothers and sisters down in God's holy festival.

But see, you're a sabbath-keeper. You've got to learn the revelation that I'm about to teach you. Because if not, we're all hypocrites. How many times has the devil came in your mind and said, you're a hypocrite? Anybody? I just need some honesty...wake up, talk to me. We can be real in this room tonight. Do you know how many times he tells me that I'm a hypocrite...torments my mind to where I just want to come in and preach a Baptist grace message and forget it all. Do you understand what I'm saying?

But the enemy gets in your head because guess what? You'll be talking sweet to somebody else, go home, and snap at your husband and wife. You just sinned. You just broke the commandment. You just messed up. So why not don't be sweet to nobody, just be mean to everybody. It's a lot easier. That human flesh, it's a lot easier. These torments come in your mind—give up! Why? Because you know. The Bible says that if you sin after coming to the knowledge of the truth, there remains no more sacrifice for your sin. That makes you want to give up. What do you do?

You have to have a revelation of the word of God, amen. That conundrum is scarier than Halloween. Let's go read Romans 7. I want to show you the definition of insanity. We're going to find ourselves experiencing what the great apostle Paul experienced.

Romans 7:14-25 For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am carnal, sold under sin.

Pause right there. The law is what? Spiritual. The only way sister that you you'll ever keep the law is if you do it in the spirit. The law is spiritual. It's not carnal. It's not flesh. It is spiritual. When you are trying to keep the law in the flesh, you will fail every time.

15 For that which I do I allow not, for what I would, that do I not, but what I hate, that do I.

Paul said I'm in a conundrum. I want to do the law of God. I want to not gossip. That's really what I want. But what I want to do is what I end up not doing. Paul said, I'm in a fix because what I don't want to do is exactly what I'm doing! The sin that I hate that I know is not good for me...I know that drug is no good for me, I know that adultery is no good for me—I know these things are no good for me, but the very things that I don't want to do, that's what I wind up doing.

And nobody knew the law more perfectly than Paul. He was an expert in the law. And yet his head knowledge of the law was never enough to get him out of this situation.

16 If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that *it is* good.

Now, I'm not saying that the law is bad. You're not going to find anyone that's going to tell you that these (10 commandments) are bad. Anybody on the street, yeah, we ought to try to obey them. Okay? The law is good. It's kind of like food... you know it's good for you, but you want a Snicker's bar anyway, amen? That's the way we are with God's law. It's good, yeah. But...?? Amen.

We find a struggle sister, in the flesh, against the law. But tonight you're going to find victory over that struggle! Amen? I came to help you get out of this battle in your mind. When this service is over, you're going to take both feet, and when the devil gets out under your feet tonight, he's gonna know he's had a good head-bruising! {applause} Because you're gonna walk in victory over the devil tonight! Hallelujah!

17 Now then it is no more I that do it...

Now this almost sounds like a cop-out. But only if you don't have a revelation. Paul said, the things I want to do I wind up not doing, but it's not I that's doing those things. Now, ok imagine you telling somebody that...yes I cussed you out, but that wasn't me...ha, ha, ha. Yeah, I did run you down, but oh, that wasn't me lol...I don't know who that was (ha ha). Right? Right.

...but sin that dwelleth in me. But he said that there is a sin, a sin nature that dwells in me. But now I'm getting ready to tell you how he gets victory over it.

18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh), dwelleth no good thing...

I like how Paul corrected that. He started to say that in me there's no good thing. But he said, no, no, no, let me straighten that up. I got something good in me. In my flesh there's no good thing.

...for to will is present with me, but *how* to perform that which is good I find not.

But how to walk in obedience to my husband, or how to walk in obedience here...I want to do it. Does anybody here just want to be rebellious? No! You want to do the right thing. You don't want to go around sinning. We just don't. We're decent people. But Paul said, how to perform that which is good...but how? How do I do it? Paul, you and me gonna teach 'em how to do it tonight.

19 For the good that I would I do not, but the evil which I would not, that I do. The evil that I don't want to do, every time, is what I end up doing. I'm going to help you tonight because God wants you free form that torment of the mind!

20 Now if I do that I wold not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. Now Paul is getting ready to teach you the difference in the child of the flesh and the child of the spirit. Amen.

21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

What is the name of that law, does anybody know? That law of sin and death. There's a law in my body—that's the law of sin and it says...every man will sin, and every man will die. That's a law, an immutable law. You're never going to change it. Everyone of you were born to die. That's it. So Paul said, I've got this law over here working in my body.

22 For I delight in the law of God...

There is a part of me that delights in the law of Yahweh. I've lived with that struggle my whole life! I have loved God since I was knee-high to a grasshopper. I've never not loved the Lord. To tell me I don't love him because I made a mistake was a lie. I loved the Lord all my life! But there's another part of me that despises obedience to him! And every person in this room's got it. Every man and woman in this room's got rebellion born in your heart. If you want to see if you've got rebellion, what's your response when authority speaks to you. Just watch your response. Is it a pricking, is it that your hair's come up...it's in you, it's in your nature. But Paul said these words...

...after the inward man. He said there's an inward man that loves God's law. Amen. My conundrum is how do I get that inward man to work on that outward man?

23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, What is the mind? It's your spirit. The law is spiritual. Your mind is spirit. There's not a person in here, in your mind, that doesn't love God's law. But there's another member, there's another law in my members fighting against that inward man.

...and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. What does it do? It brings me back into captivity. What did I just call it? The law of sin and death. I always go back to a law that says you will sin and you will die.

24 O wretched man that I am! Now here's Paul's conundrum. Here's his problem. The same one you've got. The same one I've got. And here it is.

...who shall deliver me from the body of this death? Who shall deliver me from the body of this death? There is an answer to this struggle! There is deliverance from this body of death.

25 I thank Yahweh through Yahshua the Messiah. Yahweh's going to deliver me through Yahshua the Messiah. **So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.**

He said get out of your mind that you're ever going to be free from this battle. Listen to me! Till you die, men, women are going to be beautiful. Do you understand me? Until you die, ma'am. If you're expecting the body to die, it's never going to happen. Never! This struggle is real. And this struggle's going to last till you die. But Paul said, who's going to deliver me? And then he gives you the answer. Yahweh through Yahshua of the New Covenant will deliver me from this conundrum of death! I come to tell you tonight, you're never going to get rid of the struggle. But I will teach you tonight how not to surrender to the struggle. Amen. And you've got to learn brother that's there's hope.

Here's where we mess up. We've been taught a dangerous doctrine. We've been taught that even our thoughts are sin. Now we get that from the words of Yahshua. But you don't understand what Yahshua was saying. If our thoughts are sin, we're all in trouble. Brother a bird flies over your head everyday, but you don't have to let him build a nest in your hair. But you have been taught that when the bird flies over, you've committed a sin. And you live in the guilt... because right when you said you're not going to run anyone down, right in your mind you're still running them down...you're still thinking bad things about them. Now you've been taught that is sin.

So then, here comes condemnation over your thoughts. Yahshua was speaking to a bunch of men that were so proud of obeying the commandments and not needing a savior. They told him, we have never broken these commandments, so therefore, we don't need a sacrificial lamb called Yahshua to cover our sin. We're not sinners. We are Abraham's children.

And Yahshua said, you poor creature. Even the thoughts! He said it is written if a man lies with a woman...but I say, you need a savior so bad that even your thoughts are sinful before God! He wasn't telling you to live in torment over your thoughts. He was telling you the total opposite. What he was telling you was because of those thoughts, you need a savior! You need a redeemer. You need a blood sacrifice. You need a covering over those thoughts!

He said if you'll accept my blood, it'll cover every thought and set you free from the guilt of those thoughts! He wasn't telling them that if you look on a woman, you've already done it, to condemn them. They were already condemning themselves by not acknowledging they were sinners. And all he was saying to them was, look, you say you've broke none of them, ok, but have you broke any of these? If you've thought about it, then you need a savior! Then you need a savior! You need a blood covering for your mind. Everyday of your life, you need a savior.

Who shall deliver me? Yahweh through Yahshua! In the blood of the new covenant! If you've got Yahshua, you've got a blood covering. Every evil thought that comes to your mind...let me tell you, they run straight into the new covenant when they run through your mind.

But, we as commandment-keepers, if we are not careful in this Hebrew Roots or whatever you want to call it, Messianic movement, whatever it is, if we are not careful ourselves, we will forget that we need a blood covering for everyday when we fall short of these commandments! Hallelujah! Is anybody hearing me?

Praise God. He wants you to be free from the guilt. That scripture...even your thoughts...that condemns us all. There's no help. There's no hope. Just the fact that you thought about not coming to the Sabbath service tonight is a sin. Just you thought about laying in bed and resting and not keeping it, according to the Christian church, you won't even come. What a torment that we've all lived under.

What is the answer? How do we find freedom from the guilt that we all experience on this journey? The very moment I think I have the feasts figured out, somebody comes to me and tells me how I did something wrong you know, and what have you and what not. Even the Sabbath you know—well you shouldn't do this and you shouldn't do that. Listen, your guilt is yours. And you're not going to put it on me. Because I've got a blood covering anytime I fall short. I've got a blood covering.

I don't depend on these commandments. I depend on the blood for my blood covering! There's too many policemen in the church—way too many. Awww listen, I'm sorry if Lucky Charms has some gelatin somewhere that I didn't see! If I fall short, I've got a blood covering. I said if I fall short, I've got a blood covering!! Hallelujah!

None of us have been saved by these commandments. We have been saved by the new covenant of Lord Yahshua the Messiah! Every one in this room, you'll never keep these right! Ever! Because they know you can't keep it, but I've come to tell every believer at First Harvest Ministries tonight, the next time you fall short, the blood never will! The next time you fall short...the blood never will! It's covering your shortness, it's covering your weakness—you've got a blood covering!

The moment we say we're not going to gossip anymore, the next day we fall. The moment we say we're not going to do it, the next day we do. The moment you say, I'm not going to smoke anymore, I'm not going to...and you mean it, it was in your heart, you really meant that...but there's another law working in your members that tells you what you're going to do. And you need deliverance from that.

What is the answer? The answer is found in the New Covenant. I want to go back to where I left off at Tabernacles. Isaiah 25:6-7. Here's where we left off at Tabernacles. And I want to revisit it for just a moment. I'm going to show you the

answer. Let's read about that aged wine.

Isaiah 25:6-7

And in this mountain shall Yahweh of hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined. And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations.

There is a vail that is spread over all the nations. According to God's word, during the millennial reign, that vail is going to be removed off of everybody. Now right now it's been removed from the first harvest. He said I'm going to give them something in the millennial that's going to remove the vail.

WHAT IS THE VAIL? Listen carefully. It's on everybody. That's the lies of religion, that's the vail. The lies of religion is the vail. But brother Vaughn, what lie are you talking about? I'm gong to make it real simple. The main lie is that your salvation depends on the abilities of your flesh.

If your salvation brother depends on your flesh, and even your thoughts are sinful, you're in a lot of trouble. That is the Old Covenant. I'm gong to teach you tonight the difference in the Old Covenant and the New Covenant. And I'm showing you that the answer to your problem is in the New Covenant. The answer is.

Now your problem that you need deliverance from is only found in the New Covenant, and tonight you need to know that you are promised an aged wine from the Lord that will deliver you from the Old Covenant. Amen.

Everyone in the world, everyone—is trying to save themselves with their own abilities or the lack thereof. If I pray enough, I'll be saved. No you won't. If I fast enough, I'll be saved. No you won't. If I keep the feast of Tabernacles, I'll be saved. No you won't. If I eat clean, I know...no, no, no! God forbid if you think that's what we are preaching! Oh because one day you're going to eat something unclean you didn't even know was unclean...then you need the New Covenant at that point. Let's read about this vail. Exodus 34:33. Here Moses goes up to see Yahweh face-to-face, as close as he can get. Read what happens...

Exodus 34:33 And till Moses had done speaking with them, he put a vail on his face.

Do you know why he put a vail over his face? Because when he went into the glory, he transformed into the glory. All of a sudden, his outer man was

transformed by his inner man. (Oh, hallelujah) But he had to get rid of a vail of just the commandments. And just the law. He had to go into the presence of God so that the inward law would come out and change him from a human to a son of God! He was filled with the Holy Ghost on the top of that mountain.

And when he came down, he had been changed from a human to a Son of God!! Why didn't that happen before? He had the 10 commandments. He had all of that. He had the law. But THE LAW WILL NEVER CHANGE YOU! The law is powerless to change a man. But the Law Giver—I said the Law Giver—he's got a way of delivering you from that old Moses to the new Moses! Oooh, who shall deliver me??!! Good God from Mt. Zion!

Moses went up there and when he came down, the people did not want to see that change—and they said, put the vail on your face. Why? We want to know God through the commandments, not the glory. If it changes you like that, we really don't want to be changed! We like him letting us by with our sin. We like that we don't have to do it all perfect. But if we get changed, we'll be just like him!

For those that keep this law that never go into his presence, it will never help you. Moses, put the vail on your face. Why? Because we want to see God through a vail. We want laws. We want this. Oh and don't think I'm preaching against the law, I'm getting ready to flip the script.

Okay, we want to serve him by lighting the menorah, we want to serve him you know by draping red at Passover—and that's all good!! But it won't transform you! You don't need outward help. You need inward help. You need help in the mind. You need help in the soul. You need help that no law can give you! Glory!

When you get transformed...I'm going to tell you all something...when you get transformed, you can pack them commandments away and never even look at them—and still keep every one of them! Why? You've been changed! Not only are we commandment-keepers, but we're going to add to it. We're glory-seekers too. Hallelujah. When you get Spirit and Truth...do you all see...two witnesses. Moses had the law but he was missing the glory! But when he got the glory, he got the law on accident! Hallelujah. Amen!

I'm here to tell you tonight, you need an encounter with God. You need the baptism with the Holy Ghost, and all of a sudden that old man will start to give way to that new man, and you won't have any problems obeying God. Hallelujah! Glory, glory. The answer's in the new covenant. The answer for your old covenant problem is in the new covenant. Because the old covenant brother was powerless to change you. It could correct you. It could scold you. It could whip you. It could do everything possible, but IT COULD NOT CHANGE YOU.

You know every parent has that one child. You can beat 'em til they're blue in the face. Then you've got other children where you don't even have to touch them. Don't you want to be that one? There's a change in your nature. Let's read 2 Corinthians 3:12-18. I really believe that by the end of tonight, you folks are going to leave out of here more than commandment-keepers. You're going to leave out of here guilt-free from the condemnation that reigns in your mind.

2 Corinthians 3:12-18

Seeing then that we have such hope, we use great plainness of speech. And not as Moses, *which* put a vail over his face, that the children of Israel could not steadfastly look to the end of that which is abolished. But their minds were blinded, for until this day remained the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament...

Listen. The vail is the old covenant. All the Jewish people to this very day have a vail. What does that vail tell them? Keep these and you're holy. You don't need a savior. You must be a commandment-keeper and as long as you don't break those, you don't need Yahshua the Messiah. That's a vail over their face. It's the covering that stops them from seeing Yahshua.

And if you're not careful commandment-keepers, you'll get that same vail over your face!! When you cannot see your daily need for the infilling of the Holy Ghost, the changing power of God in your life every single day! You cannot do it without it!

Moses was miserable. He had the commandments—he loved them and then he threw them down. He was struggling. He wasn't counted worthy to go into the promised land because of that struggle. But oh, when he came down from the mountain, he had been changed by the presence of God. And all of a sudden, the vail was gone that he could do it on his own. The vail was gone that he could do it wholly enough to ever be holy! He saw God and realized even if he kept every commandment in the world, he still wouldn't be holy as God. You've got to get that vail off of your face.

Oh, we love these commandments and I'm about to flip the script, but let me tell you before I do, no matter how much you keep them, there won't be a day go by sister when you won't need the new covenant. When you won't need a bloody backup. I call it a BLOODY BACKUP! I said I thank God for my bloody backup!!! 10Whew whew! Hallelujah, you need a bloody backup! One that's making intercession for you 24/7. Hallelujah...glory, glory, glory.

14 ...which vail is done away in Christ the Messiah.

Now when is the vail done away with? In Messiah. The moment you understand, sabbath-keeper, that that sabbath is not paying your sin debt. The Messiah. I said it's all about the Messiah! You cannot depend on anything but the Messiah! The New Covenant! You need the blood every day of your life!

Paul said as soon as you meet the Messiah, the covering will be ripped from your eyes. What happens when we remove the covering? You'll no longer see your ability. The vision's clear. You see that all of your debt is paid by him. All your guilt is gone! You must see the Messiah!

Let me tell you something. You can get on the right calendar all you want to. You can get on the right diet all you want to. But until the vail's gone, you won't fall down at his feet and say I'm worthless without you. I can do nothing on my own. I'm tired of the guilt. I need deliverance from the failures. I need deliverance from the shortcomings in my life! Whew! Get rid of the vail!

When I come Sunday night in part two, I'm going to blow some of your minds with what God's showed me today.

15 ...But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart.

When Moses is read...who is that? The old covenant. The Law. The Torah. There's still a vail. What is the vail? That old covenant. Trusting in your works. Let me explain something to you. I don't believe the Baptist message, but let me tell you why they punch it so hard. They punch it so hard because there was a day when men depended on their works for salvation. The Christian message was to take that burden away. But I'm going to show you where they messed up in just a moment. But before I do that, I want to tell everyone in this room...read that verse one more time...

...But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart.

The vail is still there that says these words: I'm a good man. I'm a good person. I don't steal. I don't lie. I don't cheat. Well, first of all, you just told a lie when you said that you don't lie. But anyway, I don't do any of that. Listen to me! Many of you that have come to my ministry have started to get a vail over your face. I want you to hear me now. Don't you ever be proud of how good you kept the commandments. You better be proud of how good he died...how good he died... how good he debt for when you fall short. Hallelujah! Get that vail off of your face—where you see your works. You've got to move the vail so you can see past you, and see a cross, and a lamb, where the blood sacrificed for your sin!!!

16 ...Nevertheless when it shall turn to Yahweh, the vail shall be taken away. Now the Lord is that Spirit...

Okay now we're getting somewhere. That Spirit. That Spirit is the Holy Spirit. When you turn to Yahweh and say, sir, I owe you a debt that I cannot pay. And you see him through Yahshua, and you bow a knee. Then that Spirit will come and move the vail from your eyes! I thank God for that. I thank him for it.

17 ... and where the Spirit of Yahweh is, there is liberty.

And when you get that Spirit...there comes FREEDOM! Liberty! See we used to think that that verse meant anything...where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty. No, no. It's talking about when you turn to the Lord, then that Spirit will set you free from that struggle with your body. But how does it set us free?

18 ...But we all, with open face (the vail is gone) beholding...

Now we behold his face...now we see Christ...now we see our sin transferred unto him! When the vail is gone, you see nothing but Yahshua. Every time you fail, you don't even see yourself fail, but you see Yahshua dying for that failure. And your guilt is gone. Your struggle is gone! But when you've got the vail (like a tallit) over your head, you see YOU—oh God I've messed up again, oh God I don't know if I'm going to be saved, I don't know if I'm going to make it in the first resurrection, I don't know what's going to happen oh God. But he said if I take that thing off, and look up, you'll get deliverance! The Spirit will set you free. YOU WILL BE FREE FROM THE GUILT!! Quite looking at yourself!

Every time you look at yourself, you're going to hate what you see. You're going to hate what you see! I'm never going to do drugs again. And what happens is the next time you do it, you get so enamored in your failure and in your self. But if you'll say, I'm so sorry, back to the cross, back to the blood, back to deliverance... back to freedom! Hallelujah! YOU CAN'T DO IT LOOKING AT YOURSELF!! YOU NEED A SAVIOR!!! Hallelujah!!

I'm here to tell you tonight, if you don't move the vail of yourself, every time you look at yourself, you're going to be reminded of everything you hate about yourself! But, when you say, wait a minute, remove the vail...what's that I see over yonder...I believe that's a bleeding cross, and on that cross is a savior who took my payment, who took my debt, and I AM FREE! Glory! Quit seeing yourself. QUIT SEEING YOURSELF!

The Bible said, look through a glass darkly, and look for his face, not yours! As long as you've got the vail, you're not looking for a savior. You're looking for

perfection. You'll never reach it. But brother Vaughn, the Bible says be perfect—I'm getting there.

18 ...beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

As we look into the glass of the Lord, we will be like Moses, changed, transformed, walking in the glory, walking in the power, walking in the anointing! That's why you all go to these dead Messianic churches that are a mess. They're a mess. They'll sit there reading a thousand scriptures. You won't feel one moving of the Spirit of God. Do you know why? They're looking at their ability to obey those scriptures—instead of his ability to back them up when they fall. You've got to know that that covering is there for you.

You can be changed tonight by looking at Yahshua everyday. When you do something that you don't like, don't put that vail on. Don't look inward. Look outward. Hallelujah. Glory to God. Look outward...see him. See his sacrifice. Oh hallelujah!

I've got to fix some loose ends. Let's tie up some loose ends. What is the vail on our face? It's the old covenant. When you read it without a revelation of how it is applied to your life, you will read the letters of the law only. And then you'll say, no one can live this, and keep trying to live it even though you know you can't. The vail is hindering the glory contained in the new covenant that will transform you from glory to glory.

The vail is making the law your defeat rather than your delight. The vail makes salvation an act of man rather than an act of God. It stops men from the law transforming them to condemning them. That vail will do it. And the Bible said today that whole world has that vail. They're not being changed in the glory.

The aged wine of Tabernacles will cause us to be transformed by the law rather than condemned by the law. Remember, the law is our goal. It's not our God. It's our goal. It's not our beating rod. It's our goal. The law is the ultimate fulfillment of the nature of God. And if you keep the law as your goal, and the Spirit as your guide to get to the goal, then they'll work together for you. You need the Spirit of God to reach the goal.

Let's read Galatians 4:25-26.

Galatians 4:25-26

For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

Now hold on. I need you to wait a second. Where was Mt. Sinai? Arabia. That's where the Jewish people got the law. According to Paul, there is two woman. One is Hagar which produced a child of the flesh. And one is Sarai which produced the child of promise. Well Sarah is representing Jerusalem. Now watch this... but not *that* Jerusalem. (Now Sunday night when I teach you the difference between Mt. Sion and Mt. Zion, it's going to really help you.)

But you need to understand that Paul just said that every one that is looking to physical Jerusalem are all slaves. I want you to read it slow...

25 For this Hagar is mount Sinai in Arabia... this is the old covenant. This is the 10 commandments. This is the Jewish people in Arabia. Keep reading....

...and answers to Jerusalem... now they answer to the old city of Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

They're all in bondage. Why? Their faith is still in the old covenant. And I'm going to tell you something children, I worry about some new covenant believers that get stuck in the physical attributes of that old covenant. If I could just go to Jerusalem—darling, I live in Jerusalem! Don't you understand? You're so carnalminded. If I could just go to that wailing wall...I'll show you a wailing wall every morning in my house...there's a wailing wall! Paul said you're stuck in Judaism, glorifying the city of Jerusalem rather than Jerusalem herself which is the Remnant Israel! Boy, I come up against spirits when I preach like this.

I want you to hear me and hear me well. I'm not infatuated with an old city. Oh, I'm not, not at all. I'm in love with that New Jerusalem of the Spirit of God that's higher, higher, higher! Oh, brother Vaughn, you don't like it. I didn't say I didn't like it. I said I know the *real* Jerusalem. And I believe Paul mentions it doesn't he? What does he say?

26 But Jerusalem which is above is free... but the better Jerusalem is free! Everyone in *that* Jerusalem has been set free from the covenant of death in the old covenant! Glory!

Now I want to tell you something about your Christian friends. Listen carefully. They really are worried about you! And I want you to know why. Because they don't understand that you have Spirit *and* Truth. They really do think you're going back to the old covenant. They're good people. They think you're going back. Because what they don't understand—there's no separation in the new covenant from that in the old covenant. There's only addition, not subtraction. It's higher, it's higher, it's higher. We're going higher! There's no subtraction. We're not going back—we're going UP. It's an upward journey.

...which is the mother of us all. Who's the mother of us now? Look me in the eyes right now camera folk...I'm going to lose some of you, you're going to call me antisemitic. You're going to call me everything in the world, but I want you to hear me. I want you to hear me well. Read that part once again...

...which is the mother of us all. The mother of God's people is not Jerusalem...it is JERUSALEM. It is a higher, it is a spiritual place. It is a spiritual place! Everyone that's in that walled city of Jerusalem, according to Paul, is in bondage! One day he'll move their vail as well. But for right now, he's created another Jerusalem...and that Jerusalem is a *better* Jerusalem! It is a *higher* Jerusalem. It is a Jerusalem that's going to bring peace to Jerusalem. Do you understand? Hallelujah.

It doesn't impress me much. I'm standing in Jerusalem right now. I'm standing with priests in the third temple right now! Hallelujah. That's too spiritual for some people because they've got a vail on. Carnal mind is the vail.

Let me move on. Old Covenant believers—their capital is earthly Jerusalem. Their vail. They're in slavery as they attempt to attain salvation by fulfilling their *own* vows of obedience. I'm going to teach you the difference in the old covenant and the new covenant. It boils down to one word. Vows. In the old covenant, it was *your* vows. In the new covenant, it's *his* vows!

Both covenants are built on vows. One covenant the vows were no good. But I promise you in the new covenant, the vows are good! You can trust in the vows!

God said, go to church tonight, don't sing a song...preach to my people. And you teach them who they are! They're free! They're not bound. They're not guilty... they're free! They're free to walk in holiness. They're free to walk in holiness!! Hallelujah! Glory!

When the vail is removed, you will become instantly aware of one thing. The absolute sovereignty of Yahweh...rather than the sovereignty of YOU! Brother Vaughn, if I could just do better...if I could just...there ain't no good in you! What are you talking about...if you could do better? You can't do nothing.

If the destiny of the world was to depend on the will of man, the entire world would be lost. Because no man seeks after God. When I was an evangelist, I'd say, why don't you come and pray...I will when I'm ready. That's the most dangerous words because you'll never be ready. You'll never be ready to submit and surrender. He has to hit you with a rod to make you submit. You must be delivered from the old covenant into the new covenant to experience the glory of the law.

He said, go tell my people, they're not commandment-keepers—I'm the commandment-keeper! And when I live in them, they will be like me! You're not a sabbath-keeper! He is! You're not a commandment-keeper...he is! It's all about him. Without him, we're pitiful. We'll fall every time we say we don't want to fall.

But when that vail gets removed, all of a sudden...those words...greater is he that is in me, begins to take on a new meaning....than he that is in the world. Hallelujah. Until you experience the glory of the law, you will resent the law. You will be afraid of the law sister. Because you look at it and you know that you fall short of it.

But when you come into the new covenant, all of a sudden, he says, you know what? My son kept it perfect. There was no guile in his mouth. We're just going to let him be the propitiation and we're going to allow *his* perfection to become *your* perfection. Glory! Otherwise you're going to remain tormented daily. Until you come into the new covenant sister. In the new covenant, you're free. You're free from you. You are free from YOU. You only see Yahshua in every part of your life. That's all you see.

Let's talk about these two covenants real quick. Now here's our dilemma. When these two covenants meet, we have the Baptist dilemma and we have the Messianic dilemma. They come head to head. And this is where now I've go to teach you.

Failure number one...to distinguish properly between the two covenants has caused many believers to live according to the old covenant while thinking they're under the new covenant. Because of this, many Christians continue to be troubled by guilt, feelings of failure and inadequacy.

Now that's problem number one, but there's another problem. And this is what I call the Baptist problem. They use the new covenant to claim the right to sin that grace may abound. So we run into two problems on both sides. And it's a collision —is what it is. Because when I preach like this, I run the risk of you being so carnal-minded that you can't hear what I'm saying.

Pastor said we're free, so let's just...no, that's not what pastor said. I just said that you're slave to a different master now. So, our job at First Harvest is to keep these two *balanced*. Do we live afraid of the law and we're under the old covenant...no, no, but do we live free from the law because we're in the new covenant?

You've got to have *both*. And God sent me tonight here to teach you...glory to glory...covenant to covenant, same thing. We've got to move from covenant to covenant.

I want to get through this because I want you to learn. Let's go to Hebrews 8. Now we're going to talk about the two covenants...how they compare and how they contrast. The one thing that both covenants have in common are these right here (10 commandments). The Baptist gave you a new covenant without these. (I'm picking on the Baptists...but all of them.) They gave you a new covenant without these. It was just blood. Okay? Now we're getting ready to show you how they work together. Read Hebrews 8:6,10. Also Romans 3:31.

Hebrews 8:6,10 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

Alright, let's make something real plain right now. The new covenant is a better covenant. But the question is why? Same God that gave it. Listen, there is a better covenant you can live under now sister. It is better than the old covenant, alright?

10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of **Israel...** So, let's compare that old and the new one, and here's what it is. **...after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their mind,**

Now hold on a minute. Didn't Isaiah talk about a mountain with aged wine? In *that* day? He's going to remove the vail from *everybody*? Well, here we are. It's telling about *that day*. After those days, *on that day*, I'm going to do what? Put my laws in to their mind. I'm gong to take these 10 commandments, and I'm not going to nail them to the cross like your church taught you.

I'm gong to take what was *external*, and I'm going to, by my Spirit (not by might, not by power, but by my Spirit), I'm going to take the covenant and put it in your mind—so you think about it when you get up and when you go to bed. This is being transferred to you! You will no longer have to look at the commandments—the commandments will look at you! Glory.

...and write them in their hearts, and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people.

Listen, the new covenant is absolutely no different than the old covenant, *except* in one way. And I'm getting ready to show you that way. Brothers and sisters, it *is* a better covenant not because it has better law or better commandments. But it

has a *better promise*. Oh, I need you to hear that word! A better promise, or a better *vow*! The old covenant was *your* promise. The new covenant is *his* promise!! It's got a better promise! It's got a better covenant than the old one! Amen. Let's read Romans 3:31.

Romans 3:31 Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid, yea, we establish the law.

Who establishes the law? We do. I want you to hear it. Listen. Brother Vaughn, we do away with the law. We're under the new covenant. We're under grace now. So we can do away with that. No, no, no. He said what's going to happen is...this law...if you think it was something back then, I'm going to add to it!

I'm going to add to it! In the old covenant, you might not have killed anybody while you were thinking about it. But in this covenant, you're not only going to think about it, but you're going to establish the law. I'm going to establish the very intent of the law! Amen.

Do you know why we have the Torah? Because when Yahweh gave these 10 commandments, everybody found ways around them. Oh yeah. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Well, guess what? Fornication's not adultery. It's not. Adultery's with marriage. Fornication's before you marry. So, it doesn't say anything about that. No. You cannot go to the court of God and be convicted. It's not written down.

Why do you think Moses come back and added 613 more laws? Do you know why he did it? What did he say? And you shall not sleep with your stepmother. And you shall not sleep with an animal. Because they were all getting around the law... and you can't sleep with your sister. But you would think that they'd know that. The intent of adultery is to remain pure. But you see, when I bring the new covenant, that intent is going to come into your heart and you're going to keep my law by my Spirit!

Thou shalt not kill? No, in the new testament, you're not going to gossip and slander and murder people with your tongue...because I'm gong to teach you the *intent* of my law. That's why the new covenant is a better covenant.

Now the new covenant was established to bring you and I out from under the law. Yep. Your Baptist friends were right. You're no longer under the law. The new covenant is the only thing that can bring you out from under the law by putting you in sync with the law. Now hang tight, I'm about to break it down for you. No one under the new covenant is under the law. Tell your friends that I finally admit it. I finally confessed I was wrong. Tell them all. Pastor Vaughn said it, you're right, we're no longer under the law any more. Hallelujah. Oh, glory to God. But you see, what you don't understand—to be under the law means to be under the divine sentence of the law, which is death! I'm going to break it down for you. Read 1 John 3:4 and Romans 3:23, 19.

1 John 3:4

Whosoever committed sin transgresseth also the law, for sin is the transgression of the law. Alright let's talk about this. Anybody that sins is a law-breaker. That's lawlessness.

Romans 3:23

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of Yahweh. So, everybody is a law-breaker.

Romans 3:19

Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before Yahweh.

Every mouth becomes accountable to God because they're all law-breakers. Here's what it means: you owe God a debt. A sin is a debt. So when you broke the law, you become a debtor to Yahweh. You now have him as your creditor, alright? Your sins that have not been held accountable and dealt with to God's satisfaction...if you've any sins that have not been dealt with in the court of heaven, then you're still under the law.

Hang tight! You're a debtor—you owe God. You owed a debt you couldn't pay. Yahshua established the new covenant. He paid a debt he didn't owe. Now your sins are washed away. What does that mean? You no longer owe a debt. What does that mean? You're no longer under the law! Ya'll didn't hear it, I'll try it again.

The law says if you sin, you die. That's when you're under the law. Then the new covenant comes along and says, though you die, you shall live again because you don't owe a debt! You're no longer *under the law*. Your debt is paid. Sister, you're no longer under the law. Why? You don't owe the law anything. Hallelujah! You don't owe it if you're under the new covenant...you don't owe the law!

But everyone that's not in the new covenant owes the law. Why? Their sins have not been atoned for. They have not confessed that. They've not been baptized. They have not transferred that debt so they are under the law and the penalty of the law. When they die, they die. Listen carefully. *Until the last great day*. Whenever he comes, and every one of them will bow and confess, this is what you've got to understand. You're not under the law, yet you were under the law. Now every single one of you in this room, you don't owe God for anything!

Those words are so powerful. No one in here owes God anything! Do you know why? We would see Jesus...Yahshua paid it all! And set us free from the law. If you're under the law tonight, that means you've not accepted Yahshua as your savior. Then, you're still under the law. It says, you still owe me. But the moment you find that crimson stream of blood, and you transfer your sins to him, you don't owe God anything!

But pastor, what if I sin tomorrow? What if you do? What did he say if you do? He said if you do, you have a propitiation with the Father that's making intercession for every sin you ever commit. Nobody in here owes God anything unless you've not accepted Yahshua as your savior. I've come to tell you that the law he calls you to live everyday...it's not because you owe him a debt. You owe him *gratitude*! Amen.

What did Yahshua say about that one that came back to say thank you after he healed them all? Where's all the rest of them? One will come back and say thank you, thank you! Thank you, I live my life by your law because I give you thanks! I give you thanks for what you've done for me! He said, I set them all free, but one came back to say, I'm a slave to the master. What do I do now? He said, go and sin no more. Go and don't break those commandments anymore. But if you do, confess your sins and it is forgiven...you don't owe God anything!

Listen. You walk a thin line when you preach this kind of a message. Because you've got some folks they're already hearing their way out. They're already hearing...they're going to do what they want to do. But let me explain something to you. I can't help you so carnal-minded that you don't hear what I'm saying. Your carnal mind proves you're not in Christ anyway, alright?

So there are some folks that when they hear this message, they don't see an escape route. They see an entrance. They see a way to jump in and say thank you with all they have! Hallelujah!

I must get to the point. When Yahshua died on the cross, the debt for all sin was dealt with. The price was paid. Only the acceptance *and the* application (I'm going to talk to you about that in a minute), of that sacrifice will remove the vail from your eyes. I want you to listen. There is nothing you can do that he has not already done to get you out from under the law. Nothing. But there is something you can do to walk according to his law.

The new covenant releases you from the prosecution of your crimes. This is where the new covenant message goes off the rails in Christianity. This is where the "finished work of the cross" message gets dangerous. Because right now some of you are feeling free. You're more bound now than you've ever been. He's put a maul in your ear. You could've been set free. He said, you can go. Your debt's paid...you can go. But that servant said no...put it right here (in the ear)...I don't want to leave you. I don't want my freedom. I just want my debt to be paid. I want to be bound by love rather than law!

My grandmother used to tell this story when she preached as I was a little child. It always stuck with me. There was a little girl playing out on the railroad line. And when she got out there, she was playing and got out there on that railway, and somehow her foot got stuck and she got trapped on that railway line. And it wasn't long when she saw the train coming and it was going 90 to nothing, coming so fast. And she was bound...she moved the foot and couldn't get the foot loose. And she's screaming and she's crying. And right then, some savior or some man comes to there and jumps there and grabs the girl, sets her foot free. And she runs, but he doesn't because he misses his opportunity, and the train takes him. And my grandmother preached...the little girl was bound by her foot. He was bound by *love* for the child!

Make sure you're not bound by the law, but you're bound by *love* because that will set you free to serve the Lord with everything you have! Glory! I'm not bound by the law anymore. I'm bound because I love the law! I'm not bound because I'm afraid of hell! I'm bound because I'm in love with the kingdom, and the king of that kingdom!

It is here that men accept the new covenant only to continue in sin since the debt's been paid. To do so, Paul said, is to despise the grace of God that has been given to us. Grace is the legal status (now I'm getting to the end and I want you to follow me.) Grace is a legal term. It's a legal status of those whose penalty has been paid. They're under grace. The purpose of grace is to take our fear of the law away by making us followers of the law. I'll say it again. Before grace, you were afraid of the law because you couldn't pay the debt. Now there's nothing to be afraid of. So now, your response to is...I'll now obey the law, not out of fear of the debt or hell, but I'll do it now for the love of the law. Read 1 Timothy 1:8-9.

1 Timothy 1:8-9

But we know that the law is good, if a man use it lawfully, Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man...

You never have to be afraid of the law *if your righteous*. Now I'm going to talk in a few minutes on what is a righteous man. The law wasn't made for righteous

people.

9 ...but for the lawless and disobedient... for the rebellious ...for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers.

The law was made for anyone that's not in that new covenant, that's still outside grace, refusing to submit to the law. You see brothers and sisters, when you become righteous before God, you have no need of a law anymore. You become the law! The law overtakes you and makes you righteous. Therefore, the penalty doesn't apply to you anymore.

Hebrews 12:5-8

And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks unto you as unto children, My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when you are rebuked of him. For whom the Lord loves he chastens, and scourges every son whom he receives. If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons, for what son is he whom the father chastens not? But if you be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are you bastards, and not sons.

After you have accepted the new covenant, and applied it to your life, you are now an immature child of Yahweh. The law is not what you need to be afraid of now. You enter into a different law. Now you enter into the law of discipline. And now you will feel the rod of correction that your neighbor will never feel. You'll do the same crying they do and you'll go to jail and they won't. That's a fact, oh yeah.

Brothers and sisters, listen. Let me explain something to you. When God says, it's time for your whipping...honey, that is him bringing you from immaturity to sonship training. You will now experience the lake of fire in your life to break your will and transform you everyday into a law-keeper. Now this is where it's about to get real good. When you receive the Holy Spirit, it does not make you a law-keeper. Not overnight.

Even Yahshua said he learned obedience by the things he suffered. When you come into the new covenant, you just ask the Father to whip you everyday. Why? Because you know that your thanks for bringing you out from under the law is that you want to become a keeper of the law. To do that is not an instant act of the Holy Ghost. And your problem...remember I talked about guilt...I'm getting to the good part now. Your problem is this—they taught you when you got the Holy Ghost, you had arrived and you now have power over all your sins. And what happens is, after the honeymoon's over, you fall again.

And then here's what happens. You want to put the vail back on and look inwardly at what a failure you are. You come and you get the Holy Ghost, and you were addicted to pornography before you got the Holy Ghost, and sure enough for about a month after, you're free! And then one thing happens, and now here's what happens...the guilt overrides you so bad—you put your vail back on and you look at your perversion which is not yours—it's the enemy's that gave it to you.

And you look at that, and you say, oh wretched man that I am. And now what happens is, because you're inside the vail, you're not able to grow in God. They convinced you that you were having to get it right overnight. You will probably not have it right at your grave, but you *will be getting it right*! Amen.

I watch others. I spoke to a man just this week and he was talking about pornography. Pastor I love the word and my heart broke...I just wanted to give up! I told that boy...I said the next time it happens, whenever you fall, you throw anointing oil on that computer and say THAT IS NOT ME...I'm gong back to the house of God...I'm going back to the altar...I'm gong back to the prayer room. I WILL NOT SURRENDER, I WILL NOT QUIT, I'LL NOT DEPEND ON ME!! I'll depend on HIM! Hallelujah!

Our people are so guilty because they're so human! And they just want to give up! Listen to me. Whatever your addiction is...if it is pornography, when that sin is finished, you cannot afford to hate yourself. All you can do at that point is to look to him and say, I need more help! I need more help, and I'm not going to quit just because that wretched man that I am will not die—I will keep pressing towards the mark of the high call of God!

It's the guilt that Satan uses. It's the guilt that makes you put the vail back on. There's not a sin in this room dirtier than the blood that Yahshua shed for you. Not one sin.

Why did we need a new covenant? Unlike what you've been taught, there was nothing wrong with the old covenant. Then brother Vaughn why is this a better one? There was nothing wrong with the old one. It just says that the fault was with the people not with the covenant. Read in Hebrews 8:7-13.

Hebrews 8:7-13

For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. For finding fault *with them*, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts, and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people, And they shall not teach every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord, for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.

For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more. In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decays and waxes old is ready to vanish away.

So if the fault was with the people, and not the covenant, the new covenant will use the same stuff, but it's going to *fix the problem*. If the problem was with the people, then we'll take the people out of the equation. Hallelujah. No man can stand before the divine court and claim innocence. Fortunately, Yahshua paid the penalty for your sin. He's initiated another covenant whereby you've obtained grace from this court. Grace is a *legal term*. I want you to remember that word. It's a legal term.

When men are brought before the court, the judge has to determine who's guilty and who's justified. The justified one is given what? The court has ruled in his favor. Grace means the court finds no reason to impose a sentence on you. A sentence *was* imposed—but not on you. That means that you have found grace... because we're not imposing a sentence on you.

We don't deserve it. That's why it's called *amazing grace*. Hallelujah? Hallelujah. Now the other man was found unjustified or guilty. He was then placed *under the law* Yahshua was placed—so that you would no longer be *under the law*. He went under it so you could get out from under it...hallelujah...until full payment should be paid to the victim.

The law is still in effect while you are "under grace". Your pardon didn't do away with the law. All the churches teach that it has. But it actually made you an example of *grace* and what that must look like. Have you ever heard—trophies of grace? That's what you are. Beautifully broken in all the right places...repaired by mercy's strong hand. A trophy of grace. What does that mean? When people look at you, they should see what a *full pardon* looks like.

The governor says you're free to go! Here's your pardon. Do you walk back out and rob another bank? No. Oh, I know whenever I got out from under the law, I know that when I left, I was so careful I didn't want to jay-walk. Why? I had got a new appreciation for the law. If you keep the law, you're not scared of the law. Never. That's because the law's not made for the righteous man.

Ya'll don't know what this is like, but I'll tell you. There was a time in my life when blue lights scared me. I'll bet mommy and daddy (speaking of the Kendricks) are never scared of blue light. Do you know why? The law's not made for a righteous man. Amen. There was a time a knock at the door scared me. The Bible says a wicked man runs when nobody's chasing him. But the righteous finds sweet peace the Bible said—their sleep is sweet.

So when God sets you free from the curse of the law, it didn't mean that he removed your responsibility to obey the law. The old and the new covenant both use the same law—but in different ways. The old covenant gave the law to men on tables of stone. The new covenant writes it in the way you think. Under the old covenant the law is applied by external application. They enforce the law upon sinners who rebel against God. But under the new covenant, the law is written in your mind so that your nature is changed, your minds are renewed, your minds are conformed to the image of Christ.

Like Moses, we go through such a visible change internally that it glows. I believe Moses was so bright that he was brighter than the commandments...I bet they couldn't even see the commandments. You can shine so bright with the grace of God over your life that you don't even have to mention the word commandments. You just *live* those commandments and you'll glow (you're the light of the world).

I want to show you what happens under the New Covenant. The 10 commandments turn into 10 prophecies about you! Hold on, I'm about to set your soul on fire. Under the old covenant, you discipline the flesh. The new covenant changes the thinking. Under the old covenant, the law is a series of commands which you're expected to obey, and if you succeed, the law has no case against you. But under the new covenant, the law becomes a *promise*. You *will not* steal. You *will not* commit adultery. You *will not* commit fornication. You *will not* lie! You *will not* covet. You will not—you can't! HALLELUJAH!!

Under the old covenant, this is the covenant of *death*! But under the new covenant, it's the covenant of *life*! It says what you will be! It's prophesying "you won't be a thief". It's not telling you "don't be". Thou shalt not. Under the old covenant, "don't you do it!!". Under the new covenant, you can't do it! … because I put it in you and you're walking in the Spirit—there's no condemnation to those walking in the Spirit of the law.

A sinner looks at these (10 commandments) and feels condemns. You look at them and feel hope. You say...do you know what? I shall not do that. I shall not—he said I won't. He said I won't do it! Glory!

The old covenant forces men by the threat of punishment—hell!—lake of fire! That's old covenant people. Oh, it fails because it does not deal with the heart problem. It only commands your rebellious nature what not to do. So you're sitting there saying I better not steal...I'm going to get in trouble. But a new covenant believer says why would I want to steal...all my needs are supplied by the Lord—no desire, no desire! It's not in there—I've been *changed*. Amen.

The old covenant imposes the will of God upon the will of carnal men. And they hate it. It forces men to act in a way that is contrary to their natural desires. But the new covenant changes your heart so that we willingly and gladly conform to the divine nature as expressed in the law.

Righteous behavior verses righteous nature. There's the old covenant, and there's the new covenant. You don't have to worry about keeping no law when it lives in you. Did you hear me? All of a sudden, you don't have any more enemies. You love your enemies. When that person said...I've kept all the commandments, Yahshua said...the two greatest commandments? You see, people use that as an excuse not to keep the 10. No, no, no. If those are the two greatest that all the others hang on, that tells you that there's still the others! But when you love Yah, and you love his church, you *cannot* break those commandments. Because those commandments have broken you! Hallelujah. We're not trying to get your behavior righteous, we're trying to get your nature righteous.

Now, here's where we come to the close. Who is responsible now? The old covenant...Exodus 19:8...I want you to see what it says. Oh it's starting to get so good—help me Lord to get through this one. We're not going to read all of these verses, but I want you to read that one.

Exodus 19:8 And all the people answered together, and said, All that Yahweh hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto Yahweh.

And Yahweh said ok now you've made a vow to me. Now I'll be your God. The old covenant depended upon their flesh to obey God! The old covenant depended on men, not God. That's why the Bible says that when it talks about the old covenant, it says...that having found fault *with them* (Hebrews 8:8)...because it was up to them to keep that covenant.

Listen to me...if you're still under the old covenant, then you still think it's up to *you* to do everything just right. Hallelujah, hallelujah. Remember old covenant Christianity depends on you. Forty years later, Yahweh makes a second covenant, and it's a prophetic covenant. Hang with me and I'll get you there.

Forty years after they broke their vow to God, God said I'm going to show you something. I'm going to give you a prophetic shadow of what's coming. The New Covenant. And I want you to notice that Deuteronomy 29:1, when they come 40 years later, Moses is now dying...the old covenant is dying. And Yah's about to make a new covenant. He makes it in the old testament but it didn't go into effect —it was a shadow covenant of what was coming.

Deuteronomy 29:1

These are the words of the covenant, (here's another covenant) which Yahweh commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside the covenant which he made with them in Horeb.

See, it's another covenant. It's beside the covenant he made with them over in Mt. Sinai. *This is a total different covenant*. And it's a prophetic foreshadow of the New Covenant. Everybody listen about this covenant.

Deuteronomy 29:10-13

You stand this day all of you before Yahweh your God, (everyone come stand before me) your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the men of Israel. Your little ones, your wives, and your stranger that is in your camp, (even the strangers because on the great last day, even strangers are going to get this) from the hewer of your wood unto the drawer of your water, (everybody...this covenant applies to everybody...not just Israel, the whole world!) That you should enter into covenant with Yahweh your God, (here's another covenant—we're entering into another covenant) and into his oath, which Yahweh your God makes with you this day. (Hold on! This covenant has nothing to do with your oath! I'm going to make an oath with you!) That he may establish you today for a people unto himself, and that he may be unto you a God, as he has said unto you, and as he has sworn unto your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

That unconditional covenant he made with Abraham. Now listen, this covenant had nothing to do with them agreeing to obey anything. They didn't say, we will do it. Do you know why? Any religion that's depending on human flesh to obey God is not worth it's salt. He said I'm going to make you a promise now...that I'm going to be your God, you're going to be my people—and I don't need you to do anything—I'm going to do it all!

But he said the result of that covenant will be that you'll become my people. I will own you. And you will walk in my statutes. The covenant brought Israel into his oath, not into theirs. But why now? Why is he giving a second covenant in the old testament? Hold on. Because right after he made that oath, he sends Moses to die, and Joshua (Yahshua) is going to lead them into the promised land under the new covenant—I said under the NEW COVENANT. I said under the new covenant...it was a prophetic shadow of the coming NEW COVENANT!! Good God from Mt. Zion!!

He's made you a promise and he's going to keep it! Sister do you know what that promise is? Here's the promise...I'm going to move in...I'm going to send my Spirit...it's going to move inside of you, and when I get through with you, you will be my people! You'll become everything I thought you could be. You'll do everything I thought you'd do. I promise you that I'm going to change you! It may take me a little time, but when this battle is over, you will have overcome!

I'm so glad he's not depending on Shane Vaughn! Oh wretched man that I am! I thank God that his new covenant has given me a new power that I have not on my own. I can't read all of these scriptures, there's so much. Let me look because one of these verses is good. Now you know why I started early (ha ha). Listen who this covenant is for.

Deuteronomy 29:14-15

Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath. (Not only you Israel) **But with him that stands here with us this day before Yahweh our God, and also with him that is not here with us this day.**

I'm making it with those who are standing here today, and those who are not here today. This was a future prophecy of the New Covenant. He says this is for the whole world...your everybody...your sons and daughters will prophecy. I'm pouring it out on all flesh! Glory! And it's not up to you—it's up to me. It covers everyone. The scope of that covenant then is the same as the one given under Noah with the whole earth. Yahweh swore an oath to make all those present and not present into his people and to be their Elohim.

Genesis 9:8-10 & 17

And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying, And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you, And with every living creature that is with you, of the fowl, of the cattle, and of every beast of the earth with you, from all that go out of

the ark, to every beast of the earth. And God said unto Noah, This is the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth.

Now, now we're getting to the good stuff. Ah, it's going to get so good that some of you are going to start acting Pentecostal (ha ha). I'm gong to show you something.

2 Corinthians 1:20 For all the promises of Yahweh in him are yes, and in him Amen, unto the glory of Yahweh by us.

We are the proof of the Amen of the Promise of the New Covenant. When we say Amen to what Yahweh says with our lives — we are the proof.

He's not doing it because of you. He's doing it because he said he was going to do it. And his promises are yea and amen. Listen to me. When you look yourself in the mirror and you don't see the same man you used to see, that's the Amen! That's the Amen of the new covenant when you've been changed...that's your Amen to what God promised to do in your life! Amen! I am the Amen of the promise of God.

I'm the proof that he wasn't depending on me. I'm the proof it wasn't up to me. I'm the proof! I'm the Amen. He said I'll change you—I'm the Amen. I'm watching and doing everyday. Oh no, he's not finished yet. But everyday, it's another Amen! Hallelujah, whew! My name is Amen. God said I was going to pour my Spirit out on a little boy that was bound by sin. Amen. I am the Amen. Sister, you're the Amen. They said everything in the world about you, but he said you're mine! Amen.

What's the vail? Any religion that depends on man. Sister, if you're depending on you to get it right, you'll stay under that vail. But when he gets it right in you...it's all up to him. The old covenant failed because it was based on the will of man. Yahweh could not promise to do something unless he was capable of overcoming you and I to do it. He said you will not steal. You will not covet. You're the Amen. Now you cannot covet. But he cannot covet. You are the Amen.

He can overcome your obstacle. He can overcome your obstacle to bring his promise to pass in your life! One week after they said all these commandments we will obey, they got the golden calf up. So did you! Lord I ain't gonna do that no more! A week later, there you are. Do you know why? Because you're dependent on you. Broken vows nullify covenants. Vows that are broken are not rewarded. Any plan of salvation that depends on the vows of man are doomed to fail. I want to give you my testimony here and I'm going to be done. I prayed for salvation hundreds of times every year for many years as a young boy. I knew as a young boy I had been molested several times. And I knew there were thoughts in my mind that were contrary to the law of God. And five minutes after I'd pray at prayer meeting, them thoughts would be right back in my mind. And I prayed. I hated those things in my mind. Night and day I'd say, oh God, just shoot me. If my thoughts are sin, just shoot me! Because I can't stop thinking!

It was torment...torment! Night after night I was conscious of my failure to fulfill my vow...you know what vows. Sunday night the preacher's up preaching in the church and you come to the altar with a made-up mind that you're going to serve the Lord. It lasted till the next day.

Brothers and sisters, I'm getting ready to show you how you get victory over that. I kept telling myself that I've not been sincere enough. People told me that I must not be meaning it. But I did mean it! Do you know how many times that I prayed that through only to fall again? Do you know how many times that I'd walk into church ashamed that I was there again? The church told me...true Christians are holy and I was not holy. Oh, wretched man that I am.

I want to show you the key to it all. How to end that torment. By understanding the difference in imputed righteousness and infused righteousness. Don't ever forget what I'm showing you. This is the key to freedom from your torment. When I tell you that it's the key, you're going to know what I'm talking about.

Until you know the difference in IMPUTED righteousness and INFUSED righteousness, then you will be tormented the rest of your life. Let me teach you what it is.

LOGIZOMAI - GET TO KNOW THIS WORD. Logizomai is a Greek word. In Romans chapter 4, they use this word 17 times. It's translated with three different English words in the King James Version. Imputed, counted, and reckoned. They all come from a word Logizomai. Now let's read Romans 4:17. And I want to show you what verse 17 says. This one verse is about to change your life forever. This one verse is about to set you free from the guilt.

Romans 4:17

As it is written I have made you a father of many nations, (Abraham) before him whom he believed, even Yahweh, who quickens the dead, and calls those things which be not as though they were. Ooh, wait a minute. Abraham didn't even have a child when God said that you are a father of many nations. Because I see you in your tomorrow and that's what I'm going to call you *today*! My God, did you all not just hear that?? Abraham!! You've got millions of children...no I don't, I'm pitiful, I'm horrible, I don't even have a child. But he said, Abraham, when I call those things that are not, THEY ALREADY ARE!!

When God said you were righteous, he didn't care that you had fallen today, you are righteous in the eyes of God! The New Covenant says that you are the righteousness of Christ. I don't care if you're in the barroom, I don't care if you've fallen, I don't care how you failed...he calls those things that are not yet as though they already are!

Sitting in a prison cell, God called me an apostle to the nations. Do you understand me? He didn't care where I was. He saw me! My God from Zion! I feel the Holy Ghost. I come to tell somebody tonight. I said it's a sin to say I'm not worthy and I meant it. If he said you're worthy, how dare you...you say Amen! You be the Amen to the promises of God, to the will of God. You say Amen even when you're falling, even when you fail, even when you're broken—Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen!!

Committing adultery with Bathsheba—David, you're a man after my own heart. No I'm not! Don't you say it...I said you are! Don't you defy what I said about you!

I told you that God showed me...that was my revelation. God showed me that verse. I said, God how can I be righteous when I know that I'm not!? He said, you've got the vail on. He said you think it's about man...what you think about yourself. No, no, no, no. Remove the vail! See me! See my son! And see what I said about you. See what *I* called you! See what I declared you to be! In spite of where you are!!

The next time you fail, I dare you to turn to yourself, even when you feel like the scum of the earth, and say, I am the righteousness of God. I am what God said I am. I am what God called me, and I will be delivered from this man of sin!

You might be broke, busted and disgusted, but if God said you're blessed, and to say no otherwise, is to say no to God! Never. Never. If God said it...Amen! You might be falling trying to crawl your way on up from sin...you know you just did something that's not right, but you said—Amen! God said I'm the righteousness. I will become what God said I will become! Hallelujah! You better learn—Amen!

There's a notebook in the desk at my house. It's a little yellow notebook. I leave it on the left side of my drawer. It's in a manilla envelope. Once in a while, I pull it out. Do you know what I wrote in that little yellow notebook when I was in prison? I wrote as God told me to write. I could've been too ashamed to write. There's a thin line between remorse and shame. It's okay to be remorseful. But don't be ashamed of God's property. Ever! On the first page of that notebook, I'm going to bring it and show you...it says...one day I will use you to start a movement across the world.

I'm wearing orange when I'm writing those words! My name and reputation is gone. But you see, when the vails gone, it doesn't depend on my name or my reputation. It's not by might, nor by power, but by *my* Spirit saith the Lord! Hallelujah! I want to bring you all that book. And I want to show you another thing that I wrote. It's on the first page. You'll start a ministry called "First Harvest Ministries". I wrote that in prison! Don't you understand? When God says it, nothing you can do to stop it!

You don't have the power! You don't have the authority to interfere with the plans of God! Brother Vaughn, if you had made better choices, that wouldn't have happened to you. Wait a minute. If I had not made those bad choices, I wouldn't be married to that woman right there. Don't you understand? Don't you ever doubt God! Don't you ever doubt God! He's got a plan for your life...just say Amen to it!

Romans 4:22-24 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.

Hold on. Abraham was not righteous. He sent his wife to sleep with the king and told her to lie and say it was the king's sister. Does that sound like a righteous man to you? But Yahweh told him he was righteous. And he *imputed* or *reckoned* or *counted*...something that was not yet. And he went ahead and named the child before the child was born.

God named you an overcomer before you overcame. Did you hear me? He saw you as an overcomer before you overcame! He saw you as an overcomer while you were coming over by sin. He called you what he saw!

Hey, if you had as much faith in the promise of God as he did, you'd never be ashamed. You'd never fall down and stay down. You'd never ever go into sin and stay there! You'd believe what God said about you.

23 Now it was not written for his sake alone, (now, oh, I didn't call you righteous for your sake) **that it was imputed to him**,

I went ahead and gave you *my* righteousness while you were still in sin. I gave you my name. I went ahead and called you my child because I'm going to beat you to death till you get it right. So since I know I'm going to beat you, I'm going to go ahead and call you what you're going to become before you become that!

24 But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed,

Woe, woe, woe! You all didn't hear that...we've got to do that again! Why did God call Abraham righteous...because he was? No. Because God said I want Abraham to give every believer *hope*. He said, I didn't impute that righteousness for your sake. But for who? Who did I do it for?

But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed,

To whom they shall also be imputed righteous—not just you Abraham. I wanted people who were not righteous to believe that they are!! He said that I'm going to impute righteousness to them! They need to see that you were not righteous... even though they're not, they shall be!

...if we believe on him

If we take the vail off, quit believing in ourself and believe in him who gave us the promise. Oh, hallelujah. If you can take that vail of self off of your mind...but brother Vaughn, I know I'm not righteous...shut up you devil...shut up you devil. How dare you! When I hear Christians say, I'm a sinner saved by...shut up, how dare you call yourself a sinner. You are the very righteousness of God! Don't mock that righteousness—live up to it, get up and live up to it!

Let your life become what he calls you! We look to him when we fall on our face. We let him know he's got more work to do, not us! Somebody say, he's still working on me, took him just a week to make the moon and stars, but he's still working on me.

...if we believe on him that raised up Yahshua our Lord from the dead.

We have to believe on him. Why am I righteous? Because I believe in Shane? No. Oh wretched man that I am. But I know a man. I said, I know a man. I know a man that called me righteous and I'm afraid to tell him I'm not! I think I'm just going to say Amen until I get righteous! Did you fail today? Get up and say I got to get more righteous...help me Lord!

Don't put that vail on! Don't say get it together. You can't get it together. But if you'll believe on him. God said Satan...where you been Satan? He said, have you considered Job? No? Guess what Job...he's perfect. Job wasn't perfect. Just go read the book of Job. Everything he said was depressing. Wait a minute. Satan, Job is perfect. He's a perfect man. Job wasn't perfect. But God knew that he was about to send Satan to prove what he saw in Job!

When you stand up after you have fallen, and say I'm unworthy, you have said the blood is unable. I'm not worthy because of me. I'm just saying Amen to what he said! That's all I'm doing. Hallelujah.

Your present legal condition. Righteous is your present legal status, not your *current status*. Legally, you're righteous. Conditionally, you're not. But if you will keep saying Amen to your legal status, then your current condition will become what you're saying Amen to!

Such righteousness is our present legal status, rendered by the divine court so that we may walk by the Spirit without hindrance, without being dragged back by guilt and fear. We are declared righteous even while we are yet growing in grace. In the end our *imputed* righteousness will give way to *infused* righteousness. Christ's Passover work on the cross gave us *imputed* righteousness so that we could learn obedience in Pentecost as we are led by the Spirit. Then when Tabernacles is fulfilled, we will be *changed* and transformed fully into his image and be perfected by *infused* righteousness. From GLORY to GLORY.

Brother Vaughn, why does he call you righteous? It's very simple. If he doesn't call you righteous, you will walk in this life unable to walk in the Spirit because of the constant guilt. You'll quit praying because you're too ashamed to talk to God. Amen. Legally, you're a son of God right now even though you're just a child of God. And sister, every time you fall, it's just another opportunity for you to grow in grace.

Here's the difference between imputed and infused. In the end, your imputed righteousness will give way to infused righteousness. What you were legally you will become conditionally. You will become what you said Amen to! Think about it. Every time you fail, every time you talk ugly to your husband, or anything that you do that you fall...listen carefully...when that happens and you say, you know, first of all honey forgive me for that...and you girl, are the righteousness of God, and I know you're not acting like it right now, but I'm going to keep telling you that you are, until you act like it—because the more I say, the more you'll become it! The more you'll strive, the more you'll go for it!

Perfected before God! You cannot become perfect until you believe you are! And if you believe that about your own self, in your own self, that's Pharisee-ism. But when you say Yahshua, there's nothing good in me...nothing except for him, then he gets all the glory!

Alright, rest in his word! Many Christians suffer needlessly under the old covenant, thinking their salvation is based on their vow to God rather than God's vow to them. I want to close with this... once you get grace, now you've got to start walking after the Spirit and not after the flesh...your prayer life...keeping the Sabbath...loving your brother...seeking first the kingdom of God—then you're growing in the Spirit, and only then there is no condemnation for you. The solution is to rest in his Word. His word says you shall not steal. Say Amen and you'll never be a thief again. Let's give the Lord a clap offering tonight. Hallelujah!

Like from the beginning, I want to show you where we started and how you answer people now. None of you can keep the law perfectly, I know. I've got a backup when I fail. So I'm going to do the best I can and depend on that bloody backup. I agree with you sir. I can't keep it perfectly, but I'm going to keep it till I do. If you break one law, you've broken them all. I know I have. That's why I have a New Covenant. When I do brake one and I've broken them all, I start back over and try not to break another one. Even your thoughts are sinful. Yes they are, but they run into a blood covering every time they come into my mind...hallelujah, I don't accept them, I don't hold on to them, I don't give them life! We can only trust in Christ for our salvation. Hallelujah! Amen. He's still working on me! How patient he must be...he's still working on me.

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