

afraid her thinking is subtly flawed. The good news of the gospel is not that we deserve God's love. The good news is that God sees us in all our sin and unworthiness, yet He loves us so much that He has provided for our complete forgiveness and acceptance. We do deserve wrath not love.

The apostle Paul said that he had persecuted believers "ignorantly in unbelief" (1 Timothy 1:13). Yet this was not an excuse. He accepted responsibility for his unbelief, referring to himself as "formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man." Although he saw himself as the "chief" of sinners (v.15), he wasn't shackled by the guilt of past sins. ...

It's true that "we deserve God's condemnation," but it's also true that "Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (v.15). That's good news for all of us, no matter what we have done...if we will only turn to Him to receive His forgiveness.. Admitting our sin—HVL

*No condemnation now I dread,
I am my Lord's and He is mine;
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine. —Wesley*

The one who receives Christ will never receive God's condemnation.



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Information for Visitors.

* We're glad you're here. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the service. You're very welcome to join us for a cuppa after church.

* a Kid's Church and creche is normally provided, during the sermon for the **toddler to primary age bracket**. Please ask for details.

Good News

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. —1 Timothy 1:15

A Christian counsellor was troubled by this line in her church's statement of faith: "We deserve God's condemnation." She said she often talks with clients who are so beaten down with self-condemnation that they need to hear, "You deserve God's love."

I commend that counsellor for her empathy, but I'm





Discipleship Series

Understanding Myself

(Hebrews 4:13) "And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account."

Romans 8:8, 13

A Biblical understanding of the flesh will make two major changes in our lives:

1. Our view of _____, Romans 6:6, 3:10-18,

(Colossians 3:9) "Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds,"

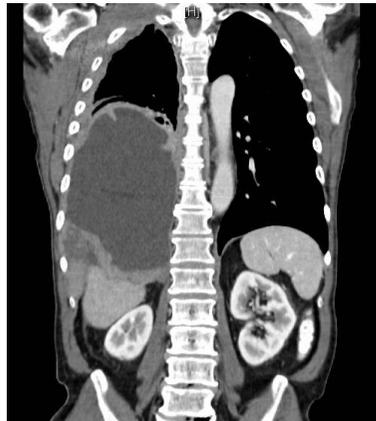
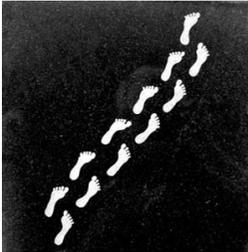
(Galatians 5:16-17) "I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. {17} For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish."

(Jeremiah 17:9-10) ""The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately wicked; Who can know it? {10} I, the LORD, search the heart, I test the mind, Even to give every man according to his ways, According to the fruit of his doings."

(Isaiah 53:6) "All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; ..."

(Philippians 2:21) "For all seek their own, not the things which are of Christ Jesus."

(2 Timothy 3:2) "For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,"



◆ The flesh _____ God,
Romans 8:7

(Romans 8:7) "the sinful mind is hostile to God. It does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so." [paraphrase]

◆ The flesh _____ man,
Romans 1:21

(Psalms 81:12) "So I gave them over to their own stubborn heart, To walk in their own counsels."

(1 John 2:15) "Do not love the world or the things in the world. ..."

◆ The flesh _____ man
(Hebrews 3:13) "but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin."



◆ The flesh _____ man, Romans 8:13

(James 1:15) "Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death."

(Genesis 6:5) "Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually."

(James 1:14-15) "But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. {15} Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death."

2. How we _____ the _____ of life,

◆ E _____

(Matthew 3:2) "... Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!"

(Matthew 3:8) "Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance,"

(Matthew 4:17) "... Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

(Matthew 9:13) "... I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance."

(Matthew 11:20) "Then He began to rebuke the cities in which most of His mighty works had been done, because they did not repent:"

(Mark 6:12) "So they went out and preached that people should repent."

◆ P _____

(Proverbs 22:15) "Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; The rod of correction will drive it far from him."

(Proverbs 20:11) "Even a child is known by his deeds, Whether what he does is pure and right."

◆ C _____

(Ephesians 4:20-22) "But you have not so learned Christ, {21} if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: {22} that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,"

◆ E _____, Romans 7:15

