



MAY CHALLENGE

Do You Believe What God Believes About You?

DAY 1 MESSAGE:

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<p>Hello, everyone. My name is Graham Cooke and with my Brilliant colleague, Lindsay van Zyl.</p> <p>We welcome you to our latest challenge - "<i>Do you believe what God believes about you?</i>"</p> <p>We have a beautiful prophetic word that you can take into your devotions and into your palace of reflection and meditation.</p> <p>We have some great scriptures to give you too!</p> <p>So, when we read scriptures today, you need to see and feel them as you hear them.</p>	

The plan of God in sending Jesus was to restore everyone in the world to a wonderful, amazing relationship with God.

Jesus Himself would take sin of the world for all ages and generations upon Himself.

He would take away the sin. The curse of sin and the impact of sin on every human being.

He came to provide through His death and resurrection a new life in Himself.

God would provide a new and living way for His people to be loved by God.

To be known by Him and to have encounters and experiences of His goodness and kindness.

To do that, He must remove all traces of our old life and put us in a place where everything was new, powerful, and beautiful.

This was to be His gift to us! A full salvation, not a partial one!

Complete release, total freedom from all sin and its effects.

Jesus would lead a perfect life, demonstrate the power of a new realm, and then die an agonizing death where all the filth and degradation of mankind would be poured into Him.

He would be separated from God, exiled from the Kingdom. He became a dark and sinful creature.

He became like the evil one; living in hell, full of judgment, and every form of wickedness.

Everything you have ever thought, said, or done that was sinful was laid on Him.

Every judgment, every spiteful, hateful word spoken against you by others was also born by Jesus on the Cross.

Your freedom came with a high price...paid gladly.

It is vital for us to know the horrific price that Jesus paid, so that we understand why, we cannot earn any blessing from God, by our own performance.

This is a SO GREAT SALVATION because we played no part in the act of freedom, which is a free gift.

All we can do here is give thanks to God for His indescribable gift.

The Three planned it. The Three executed it. Jesus paid the price of separation!

The creative power of the Father and the beauty of the Holy Spirit, combined to rip open hell, and cause Jesus to rise up, cleansed, restored, baptized into the beauty of holiness.

AND THAT IS IMPORTANT.

Because He did not just die as you on the Cross!

He also rose as you, releasing into you, all the fullness of His resurrection power, His cleansing, restoration, and fullness.

Isn't that marvelous??

OK. I have to read Romans 6:3-11.

I love, love, love THIS passage. Here we go.

Romans 6:3-11

Or do you not know, that all of us, who have been baptized

into Christ Jesus, have been baptized into His death?

Therefore we have been buried with Him, through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, through the glory of the Father, so we too, might walk in newness of life.

For if we have, become united with *Him*, in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be, *in the likeness* of His resurrection,

knowing this, that our old self was crucified with *Him*, in order that our body of sin, might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died, is freed from sin.

Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is master over Him.

For the death that He died, He died to sin once, for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God.

Even so, consider yourselves, to be dead to sin, but alive to God, in Christ Jesus.

Isn't that incredible! You have to see your old self on the cross in Christ. You are actually in that scripture...

AND... all the other ones that talk about Christ in you and you in Christ.

Three plus me in everything. In the New Testament wherever Christ is mentioned, so are you!

He is in you!

We cannot downgrade this language. We cannot disavow the lens by which He views us.

We cannot ignore the real position that Jesus has put us in.

Your life has to become as incredible as the Gift that this life is to us.

Jesus fulfilled the law, He introduced the Kingdom, then He opened up a pathway of freedom, that is so **HUGE**...

It will overwhelm us with the sheer scale of God's fullness and abundance.

And it will overwhelm every oppositional situation, that stands between us, and the God of increase!

New life must mean **NEW LIFE!**

When Jesus rose from the dead we rose with Him.

He left our old man in hell. That is what baptism signifies. The old man is buried.

Romans 6:8 "Now, if we have died with Christ, we believe that we should also live with Him."

This is not a notional truth, it is a fact of **REALITY** in God Himself.

This is one of the hundreds of Key truths, that are set into a freedom, that God has designed for us to walk-in.

Key No. 1 here is 2 Corinthians 5:17-18a.

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ,
he is a new creation,

All the old things have passed
away...

Behold, **see as I see!** new
things have come. All these
things are from God!”

**The plan is that you would
never have to deal with the
old you!**

That means that God is not
dealing with it either. He
knows that it is dead!

The truth has implications for
God too! It means that He
can only see your new man.

The old man is dead to God
and it must become dead to
you.

You have a new nature,
Christ in you.

You do not have a sin nature.
You have a sin habit.

Growing up in the world and
the flesh, we have mindsets,
negative emotions, fear, and
anxiety. Plus the memory of
hurts and wounds that need
to come under the life of
Jesus.

We have attitudes and behaviors, that are normal in the flesh, but abnormal in the Lord Jesus.

The antidote to fear is love. 1 John 4:18-19

“There is no fear in love, perfect love casts out fear.

Fear involves punishment and one who fears is not yet! perfected in love.

We love because He first loved us!”

Do you think God believes that?

When God looks at us He does not see anything wrong with us. He only sees what is missing and He has already assigned your provision, and blessing.

Because He knows, that Jesus took everything hostile, both in us, and against us, and nailed it to the Cross:

This is Key No. 2. We start from Fullness, we are not moving towards it.

Colossians 2:9-14. Read it

and see it as God sees it.

V. 9-10: "For in Him, all the fullness of deity, dwells in bodily form, and in Him you have been made complete."

We are working on our fullness, never a deficit.

God gives us everything in Jesus, and then teaches us how to receive it, and become like Jesus!

Father knows and trusts what Jesus accomplished.

What does that mean?
The Father knows that the Cross is a finished work!

Therefore, He would never undo the power of the Cross by dealing with your old man!

That would be an insult to the suffering of His beloved Son.

You are a new creation, so He is dealing with the replacement, for what is missing. It is His gift to you.

God is not counseling you here. He is disciplining you to receive the Truth that sets you free.

If your usual approach to a time of difficulty is anxiety, God knows that anxiety is dead in you.

What is missing is Peace.
John 14:1 -

“Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me.”

John 14:27 -

“Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you.

Do not let your heart be troubled nor fearful.”

The world believes that we must work on a negative in order to eradicate it!

The Kingdom says, “Jesus already got rid of it now we are working on the replacement.”

Peace as the missing piece comes to you as a gift.

Christ in you is the Prince of Peace. Peace is a free gift anytime you need it.

You practice Peace until it is

a normal part of God's presence in you.
It can take a while to practice receiving God's gift. That's OK.

Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above...

...coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

What does that mean?

Everything comes as a gift.

The Gift is not given once.

It can be given hundreds of times until it becomes your new normal as your lifestyle.

All God's gifts are given without measure, meaning there is no limit, to the amount of times, you can receive!

The object of living in, and moving from fullness, is that you learn to abide in Christ, in fullness.

So that as He is so are we in this world.

The proof of fullness is the lifestyle of Presence that it

produces.

This is what God knows about you. Galatians 2:20:

“You have been crucified in Christ; it is no longer you who live but, Christ lives in you; and the life you now live inside, you live by faith in the Son of God, who loved you and gave Himself up for you!”

The Father is believing the same thing that He asks you to believe.

Think of the freedom that Jesus gave you by His death.

You are a new person. Father is constantly increasing your identity in every life circumstance.

We meet every issue from a secure place in Christ. We have received fullness, and we are learning how to live from Jesus within.

There is a constant practice of learning this new life.

It's exciting, energizing, and wonderful. Nothing wrong just something missing.

Key No. 3 - We have also

been given a **Helper**, to train us in this process, of living from fullness.

Three times in three consecutive verses God repeats this one thing.

John 16:13-15:

“But when He, the Spirit of Truth comes, He will guide you, into all the truth.

He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears...

He will speak, and He will disclose to you, what is to come.

He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine, and will disclose it to you.

All things that the Father has are Mine, therefore, I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you.

The Spirit of Truth will guide you!

Whatever belongs to Jesus, He will reveal it to you.

He has full disclosure on all things pertaining to Jesus.

John 14:16-17

“I will ask the Father and **He will** give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever, that is the Spirit of Truth...

You will know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.”

John 14:26

“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My Name,

He will teach you all things, AND bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.”

John 15:26-27

“When the Helper comes, Whom I will send to you from the Father,

that is the Spirit of Truth, who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me and you will testify also because you have been with Me since your beginning!”

This Helper has a search engine bigger than Google. He knows everything!

He is your Helper, Comforter, and genius trainer in all things Jesus.

He will empower you, activate you, and never leave you.

He helps you with any weaknesses. He empowers our praying.

He intercedes for us also according to the will of God. Romans 8:26-27

Always cheerful, exuberant, and full of power. He works with you on all things that need growth.

There will be times when your limitations show up.

Here is Key No. 4

The simple process of change that takes away your limitation and increases your fullness.

This is how you learn to live in Jesus.

Ephesians 4:22-24

“That, in reference to your former manner of life,

you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit,

and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind,

and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God...

...has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.”

When you are not practicing the gift of righteousness you allow the space within to be corrupted.

You allow yourself to be deceived, to be misled by illegal thoughts and actions... It is vital that your mind is renewed by the spirit within.

A beautiful process of change.

Do not work on the old. Lay it aside.

Let your mind be renewed **so that** you can receive the likeness of God.

So that you can receive the gift of righteousness that you need to practice holiness.

Righteousness always comes with grace.

Romans 5:17.

Together they will cause you to reign in life through the One, Christ Jesus.

I love the simple act of laying aside what I don't want, having my mind come into a place of renewed response.

Then feeling the imprint of God in the elevation of my new man in Jesus.

Make it a simple enjoyable process of recovery into new life.

I love that grace as Empowering Presence plus the gift of righteousness becomes a ruling power especially in any areas of weakness and limitation.

What does this mean?

It means everything is in your favor no matter if things are good or otherwise.

Three+me pulls me into the safe place of love and blessing.

When you are learning to live in Jesus...the truth and power that is available is incredible and outrageously in your favor.

These are four huge keys that you will want to use constantly with the Holy Spirit.

It's a part of your Three+me profile. When God looks at you He sees Jesus.

Father love you as He loves Jesus.

The Holy Spirit is your Spirit of Truth who helps you and gives comfort in every area of life.

We are going to help you unpack these truths so that you have a confidence in who you are in Jesus and in where you are in your walk with Him.

The Three always see you as being free.

You are learning to trust the

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seen, known, and accepted
in the Beloved.

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Thanks for listening!