

## **It's Just Not Fair**

### **1. The idea of fairness - affects many things**

- a. many believe that Bible is not fair when taught correctly
- b. examining the scriptures may show us who is fair and who is not
- c. there is a difference between being fair and being entitled

### **2. Men & Women - social order**

- a. **Gen 2.15** - created - gave home and tasks to perform
- b. **Gen 2.16-17** - one limitation in their behavior - not to eat of the fruit
- c. **Gen 3.4** - Warning minimized - thou shall not surely die
- d. **1 Tim 2.14** - Adam first formed Eve first in the transgression - deceived
- e. **Gen 3.16** - Eve to be in subjection to Adam
- f. **Eph 5.22** - wife to be subject to husband - seen as not fair - abuse by mankind not God
- g. **Rom 5.12** - by one man sin entered into the world - death passed to all men
- h. **Rom 3.23** - All have sinned
- i. **Gen 8.21** - imagination of mankind only evil continually from youth

### **3. Commands of God**

- a. **Gen 4.4-5,7** - Cain - God did not respect his sacrifice - told to do well
- b. **Gen 4.8** - killed his brother out of hatred
- c. **John 8.44** - ye are of your father the devil - he was a liar and murderer
- d. **Acts 2.23** - killed by wicked hands
- e. **Gen 4.13,15** - God preserved the life of Cain

### **4. Respect for that which is right**

- a. **Rom 9.13** - God loved Jacob and hated Esau - was this fair
- b. **Heb 12.16** - Esau was a profane person - what made him this way
- c. **Gen 25.30-33** - sold his birthright
- d. **Gen 27.41** - angry when Jacob given the blessing fled for his life
- e. **Heb 12.17** - Esau sought repentance with tears but could not escape consequences

### **5. No respect of persons**

- a. **Ex 12.48** - provisions in the law for the stranger
- b. **Lev 19.34** - love the stranger as themselves
- c. **Gal 3.4-26** - law was that which prepared the way for Christ - schoolmaster
- d. **Isa 2.2** - all nations coming to the house of God
- e. **Acts 10.34-35** - God is no respecter of persons
- f. **John 5.30** - Even Christ had come to serve not to be served - example
- g. **Acts 17.30** - all men commanded to repent

### **6. The fairness of God**

- a. **Gal 1.4** - sins of world placed on Christ - became sin for all of man
- b. **1 John 2.2** - propitiation for the sins of the whole world
- b. **Heb 2.9** - should taste death for every man

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### **2. Men & Women - social order**

**Gen 2.15:** And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

**Gen 2.16-17:** And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: 17: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

**Gen 3.4:** And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

**1Tm:2:14:** And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.

**Gen 3.16:** Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

**Eph:5:22:** Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.

**Rom 5.12:** Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

**Rom 3.23:** For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

**Gen 8.21:** And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

### **3. Commands of God**

**Gen 4.4-5:** 4: And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering: 5: But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

**Gen 4.7:** If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door.

**Gen 4.8:** And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

**John 8.44:** Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

**Acts 2.23:** Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:

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**Gen 4.13,15:** 13: And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear. ... 15: And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

### **4. Respect for that which is right**

**Rom:9:13:** As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

**Heb:12:16:** Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.

**Gen 25.30-33:** 30: And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom. 31: And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright. 32: And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me? 33: And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.

**Gen 27.41:** And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob.

**Heb:12:17:** For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.

### **5. No respect of persons**

**Ex:12:48:** And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.

**Lev:19:34:** But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

**Gal 3.24-26:** Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. 25: But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster. 26: For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

**Isa 2.2** - And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.

**Acts 10.34-35:** 34: Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: 35: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.

**John 5.30:** I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just;

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because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

### **6. The fairness of God**

**Gal 1.4** - Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, 4: Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:

**1 John 2.2** - And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

Heb 2.9 - But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.