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## **Scriptural References and Comment Notes**

# 13-125-27

## MOVING FROM SACRAMENTAL FORM TO INNER EXPERIENCE

:00 -14:00 Comments on the evolution of the Parish renewal conferences at St. Paul's and the principles that came forth.

14:00 An overview from the beginning of the scripture and our place as humans in Gods design. Contrary to God's will we are pre-disposed to putting ourselves first.

20:50 Genesis 17:1-14 God initiates a covenant with Abram as the first person to be called in the plan of redemption. God changes his name to Abraham. The covenant is for Abraham and his descendants and will include the land of Canaan. Abraham is to endorse the covenant by establishing circumcision (the physical operation) as both a part of the covenant and a sign of it.

27:10 Deuteronomy 10:12-13 What does the Lord require of his people – That they love him, serve him, and obey him.

28:40 Deuteronomy 10:16 "Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn." This circumcision (the spiritual operation) creates the venue in which you can Love the Lord, Serve him and Obey him.

- 29:40 Jeremiah 9:25 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will punish all those who are circumcised merely in the flesh."
- 31:40 Romans 2:25-29 For circumcision indeed is of value if you obey the law, but if you break the law, your circumcision becomes uncircumcision." Reference Matthew 22:37-40 Jesus summarizes the Law. Loving God is to obey him and to serve him.

Who is the real Jew? The one who is "spiritually" circumcised – the inward condition.

- 35:05 Matthew 28:18-20 "baptizing them" and "teaching them to obey". Reference Acts 10:44-48 In this case the internal action preceded the external sign, yet it was important to enact the external sacrament.
- 36:25 Romans 2:28-29 Terry uses this text to show the parallel between circumcision and baptism, by substituting the word Christian for Jew and the word baptism for circumcision. Coming into the family of God. Baptism, as with circumcision, is an external sign and may or may not reflect the inward spiritual condition of the person.
- 38:30 Matthew 3:9 and John 8:33-44 One can't claim to be a child of Abraham, or of God, just because they have been circumcised or baptized.
- 39:40 Teaching on infant baptism. Reference Acts 16:29-34 The Philippian jailer has his whole household baptized.

- 42:25 Luke 1:59-60 The name of the child is given at the time of circumcision. Reference Luke 2:21 Jesus officially named at circumcision.
- 47:00 Comments on the movement toward "believer's baptism" in  $16^{th}$  century Europe. Also teaching on the baptism of infants.

50:00 Teaching on responding to the Lord's grace. Reference Matthew 10:32 acknowledging Jesus before men.

Terry asks if any in the congregation would like to, for the very first time, acknowledge Jesus to be their Savior and Lord.

Gen. 17:1 When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. 2 And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly." 3 Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 4 "Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. 5 No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. 6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come forth from you. 7 And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you. 8 And I will give to you, and to your descendants after you, the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God."

Gen. 17:9 And God said to Abraham, "As for you, you shall keep my covenant, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations. 10 This is my covenant, which you shall keep, between me and you and your descendants after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised. 11 You shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskins, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and you. 12 He that is eight days old among you shall be circumcised; every male throughout your generations, whether born in your house, or bought with your money from any foreigner who is not of your offspring, 13 both he that is born in your house and he that is bought with your money, shall be circumcised. So shall my covenant be in your flesh an everlasting covenant. 14 Any uncircumcised male who is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin shall be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant."

<u>Deut. 10:12</u> "And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, <u>13</u> and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I command you this day for your good?

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those who are circumcised but yet uncircumcised —

Rom. 2:25 Circumcision indeed is of value if you obey the law; but if you break the law, your circumcision becomes uncircumcision. 26 So, if a man who is uncircumcised keeps the precepts of the law, will not his uncircumcision be regarded as circumcision? 27 Then those who are physically uncircumcised but keep the law will condemn you who have the written code and circumcision but break the law. 28 For he is not a real Jew who is one outwardly, nor is true circumcision something external and physical. 29 He is a Jew who is one inwardly, and real circumcision is a matter of the heart, spiritual and not literal. His praise is not from men but from God.

Matt. 22:37 And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment. 39 And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. 40 On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets."

Matt. 28:18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

Acts 10:44 While Peter was still saying this, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. 45 And the believers from among the circumcised who came with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles. 46 For they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, 47 "Can any one forbid water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" 48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

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Matt. 3:9 and do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.

John 8:33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, 'You will be made free'?"

John 8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35 The slave does not continue in the house for ever; the son continues for ever. 36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed. 37 I know that you are descendants of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me, because my word finds no place in you. 38 I speak of what I have seen with my Father, and you do what you have heard from your father."

John 8:39 They answered him, "Abraham is our father." Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, you would do what Abraham did, 40 but now you seek to kill me, a man who has told you the truth which I heard from God; this is not what Abraham did. 41 You do what your father did." They said to him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God." 42 Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I proceeded and came forth from God; I came not of my own accord, but he sent me. 43 Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word. 44 You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks according to his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

Acts 16:29 And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, 30 and brought them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" 31 And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." 32 And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all that were in his house. 33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their wounds, and he was baptized at once, with all his family. 34 Then he brought them up into his house, and set food before them; and he rejoiced with all his household that he had believed in God.

<u>Luke 1:59</u> And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they would have named him Zechariah after his father, 60 but his mother said, "Not

so; he shall be called John."

<u>Luke 2:21</u> And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Matt. 10:32 So every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven;