

What are the Basics of God's Right-side up Kingdom!

Week 5: Right Side up
Basics 101

[Acts 19](#) [Hebrews 5: 11-6:2](#)

1. Let's Review:

WEEK 1: In God's Right-side up Kingdom Soy lent Green- Hint -it's people!

WEEK 2: We reshape people with God's Mirror- His word, Not hammers.

WEEK 3: Ground has to be broken up- via Suffering to get nutrients.

WEEK 4: Teaching the truth of what is right side up via the Spirit not ego
(Smoking Doctors)

Week 5: (This Week) The 101 Course of Christ- the Basics. 1. We are saved by faith in Jesus; 2. Baptism 3. Spiritual gifts 4. Resurrection of the dead 5. Eternal judgment.

Why are the Basics so important?
They show us how we think about things, and how that compares to the "truth" and principles and people which is how the Spirit looks at things!

So what do you get for this Question?

VIRAL MATH PROBLEM

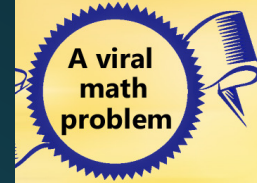
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Now try this one...

- If you want to see the arguments you for both sides you can look on [Facebook](#).
- But as for me and my house, or my students, I would never give them this question or show them how to rewrite the question to make it less Ambiguous. This may not be the answer you are looking for but I would follow the left to right "rule" as part of PEMDAS but as a problem for people I would give credit to students who could justify their answer... PEMDAS is the Basics, but remember it is a rule for people. The Calculator gets 58 if you plug it in, but it also says the square root of 16 is 4 which is only half right.

Is this similar to the last one? Why or Why not?

$$6^2 \div 2(3) + 4$$



is equal to

10



58





Acts 19 has Primarily 4 parts

Chapter 19 Outline: (4 Weeks)

I. **What/Who is the Holy Spirit Apollos? (vs 1-7)**

- a. This is 30 Years out from Jesus' Death (Think 2 years before Bill Clinton, I'm your Baby tonight- Whitney)
- b. This is taking place in area in/Near Turkey
- c. Some disciples of Jesus were taught in John the Baptist's Basics and had not heard there even was a Holy Spirit!
- d. Basics- They believed in Jesus- Disciples... but they needed
 1. Baptism (water in the Name of Jesus)
 2. Holy Spirit coming on them by laying on of Hands and the began to speak in tongues and prophesied.

II. **Paul Preaches and some people reject the message (vs 8-12)**

- a. Paul did his parenthesis first (I mean he went to the synagogue First!) and spoke boldly, but some became Obstinate- Rejecting the message so he pulled out the believers and left. That is a church split if ever I saw one.
- b. He spoke at a "pagan" lecture hall for 2 years and all in the area both Jews and Greeks (speakers) heard the message. He also did miracles- operating in spiritual gifts- healings and exorcisms, etc.

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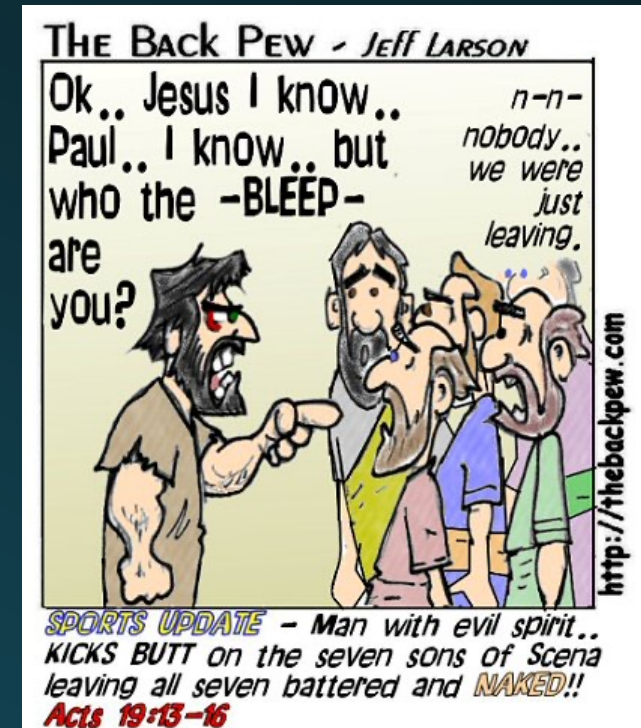
- I. **What/Who is the Holy Spirit Apollos? (vs 1-7)**
- II. **Paul Preaches and some people reject the message (vs 8-12)**
- III. **Seven Sons of Sceva (possibly a Chief priest) (vs 13-20)**
 - a. They tried to cast out demons in the name of Jesus who Paul preaches... like invoking angels to cast out demons (See Paul's impact on even the non-believing community...)
 - b. The demon inside a man said I know Jesus and I know Paul, but I don't know you... then beats up all 7 sending them out of the house beat up and naked. THIS story gets around! And is

a testament to Jesus... **Basic- Know Jesus and the Demons Know you!**

- a. People who had been practicing idolators faiths (witchcraft, etc.) brought their books and burned them! Remember they could not just sell them because that would cause harm! Over \$10,000 work of books. Wow...

This is a basic- Get rid of idols and books that teach anything going against faith in Jesus!

- I. **The Blow up (vs. 21-31)**



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Basics- Belief, Picking a side, Baptism & Holy Spirit

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Basics- Teaches for 2 years the Basics, Uses his gifts (miracles, etc.)

III. **Seven Sons of Sceva (possibly a Chief priest) (vs 13-20)**

Basics-Know Jesus for yourself, works won't work, Pick a side as seen in what you are willing to give up, Does Satan know your name? God does...

IV. **The Blow up (vs. 21-31)**

- a. A riot breaks out against Paul. It was based on a lie that the Idol Diana(not the real wonder woman-that's Crystal) was real, and greed that even if she wasn't real they were not going to give up the wealth the idol brought...
- b. Paul has Roman friends who warn him not to come... (vs 31) This is the nature of our anointing... Proverbs 3:1-12 (esp. vs4) we will find favor in the sight of God and Man.
- c. The Riot is Quelled by the Mayor who spoke truth about Lies... who did not want his city destroyed, or Rome on his back and he knew Paul did not try to attack Diana directly... Go home y'all...
- d. Paul Left after that but realize God was in control, not Satan. We often give Satan too much credit... God hardens people hearts, and looses others... at the right time... it was time for Paul to leave and God uses even suffering and lies for his truth! He is Amazing!!!!

Basics- Suffering is part of our normal experience- See and respect everyone as potentially part of God's kingdom.



Paul's missionary Journey is A truth Journey for **ALL** the World!

They had all of the basics they needed after 2 years of teaching to Ace the tests God would send them, and when they messed up, God would encourage and correct them as well

Today we are going to talk about The Basics Seen in Hebrews 5 & 6 and in Acts 19!

Basics:

0. Know Jesus for yourself...

1. **Get Baptized once 0. is done.** (Show that you Pick a side- Gods- Specifically Jesus (not John's))

2. A. **Be filled with the Holy Spirit.** It was not optional, **usually was done with the laying on of Hands.**


B. **Know your Gifts...** Remember these can be changing over time, **Use your gifts.**

3. **Resurrection from the Dead is REAL.** Jesus being raised from the Dead showed this was important.

4. **Eternal Judgment (not life) is a Basic...** This in not to be a downer, but to give urgency that our choices have Consequences!

We are Teachers of the Basics if we are Disciples ourselves....

- As Doctors who smoke but are trying to quit, and Teachers who sometimes does Division before Parenthesis, but still teach PEMDAS we are imperfect but we have picked a Side! We have chosen Jesus, We have Chosen that Math and Science are real...
- In God's Kingdom, Sin is a symptom of our Adamic Nature... of rebellion against God...
- We show we are not rebelling against God by trusting in Him and Choosing His side even if it means sacrificing because His kingdom is worth it. David Chose God, even though he made mistakes



We are Saved by Grace... but there is Judgment for choices We make... God wants us to follow and remember him...

- I am starting with this Basic because it connects to our Belief in Salvation by Faith not works, what is sin, salvation etc..... Eph 2:8-10
- Jesus spoke in great detail about Hell, more than most preachers today. Luke 16, Mark 9, Matt. 13, 25, etc. etc.
- Contrary to popular Belief (Our UPSIDE DOWN WORLD) Hell and eternal judgement is not a place God send's Bad people!!!! It is our Default Destination!

JOHN 3:14.



AS Moses lifted up the **SERPENT** in the wilderness,

SO must the **SON OF MAN** be lifted UP.

Eternal Judgement...

Choosing NOT to Get Vaccinated, NOT Look to a Cross, or NOT come to class

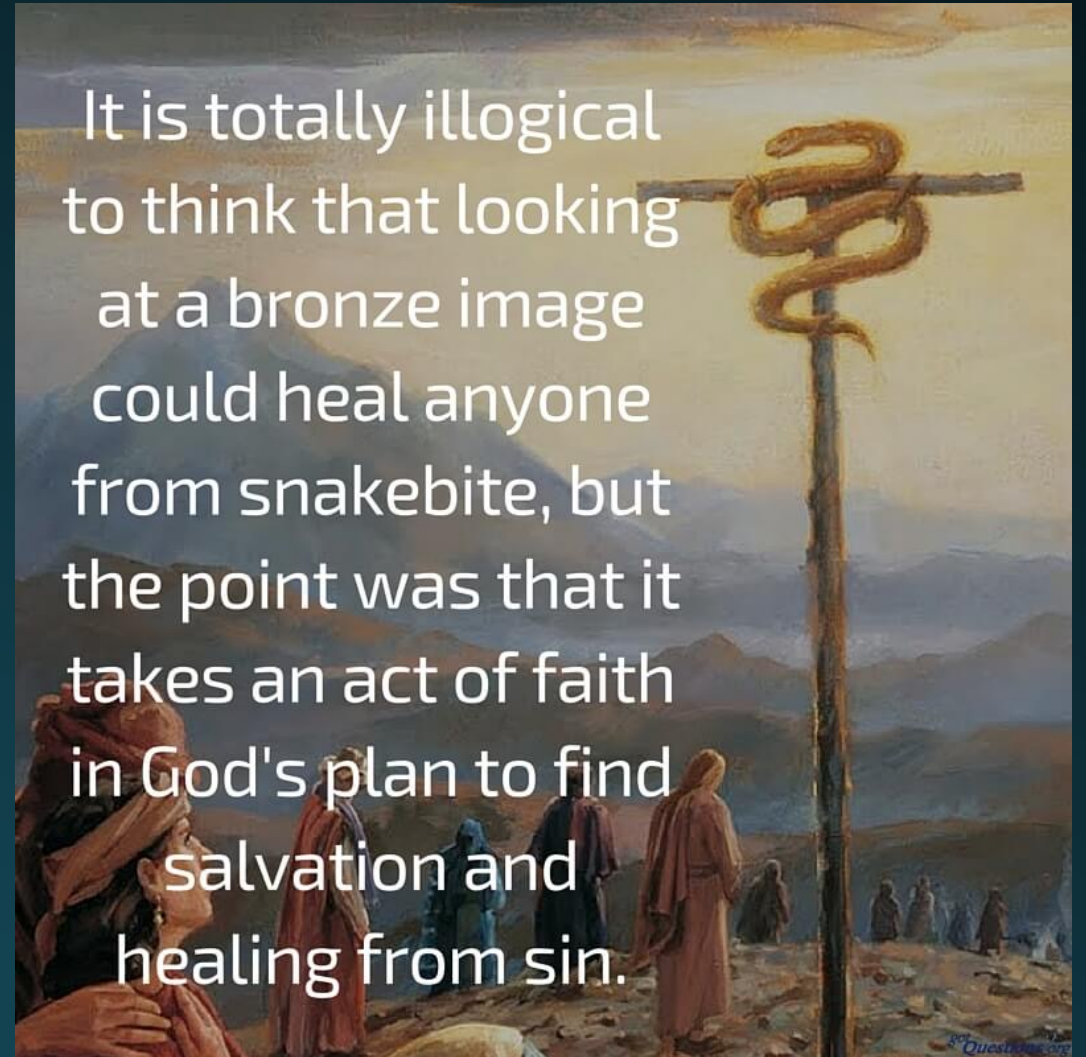
- This is very similar to what is going on with Covid... It is not how good you are, but just a matter of Time until you get Covid Until you get a Vaccine. This is like the Brass Serpent... All you had to do is look at it and live, but the Snakes essentially bit everyone, the choice was looking to God for victory, not your own power.

Jesus is the cure for our Judgement, not our sin. The power of the Cross is that it gave us forgiveness of all of our sins past present future... and gives us a free start.... But that choice to follow the sacrificial goodness of Jesus Gives us Life and Freedom of Sin's power over us! This does not give us a license to sin, but gives a relationship that shows we care. If a student gets PEMDAS slightly wrong in their interpretation, but can get 95% of problems right, I am happy with them as a teacher, especially if they get upset when they get a question wrong.

An interesting aside is that King Hezekiah had the Nehushtan (Bronze serpent cross) destroyed because people began to worship it as an idol. The modern symbol for health is a serpen on a rod. It comes from the rod of the Greek God of healing Asclepius. In the 800BC. Moses story occurs in 1400's BC and probably influenced the Greeks.

Eternal Judgement... Look and live but maybe still make mistakes...

- We are still children of Adam and therefore still have a tendency to sin. Peter was with Jesus for 3 years and Jesus built his Church with Peter's Sermons. Peter Denied Jesus 3 times, then Said you have to get circumcised to get saved after that was settled by the church. Our Suffering and correction and continued discipleship helps us to grow, and our choices help this process last shorter or longer, but our salvation is set once we have Truly made a choice to follow Jesus!
- Teaching a new disciple that they will not sin after becoming a Christian is dangerous...



Teaching what is SIN? A disease or Symptom

- Once we understand what Eternal Judgement is, then we need to understand the nature of sin... in God's Right Side up world in Contrast to our Upside down one.
- Sin is the natural State and Nature of mankind. Like fallen angels, We are fallen, Banished People. The nature of state allow us to naturally miss God's mark. This allows eternal Judgement to be the Default state of Man.
- Death was not the normal condition of mankind initially. Physical death is symbolic of Spiritual death. Death is the ultimate Disease. Choosing not to sin is not an option to avoid Death. It had to be defeated... In Christ!

Symptom vs Sign (*effect vs cause*)

■ Symptom = The plants response to stress



■ Sign= The reproductive or vegetative structure of the pathogen



Types of Sin, Wages of Sin, Treating the Disease...

- The types of Sin (I John 2:16):
 1. **Lust of the Flesh** -Sex Drugs Rock and roll (and I can't put my phone down... We can be given over to these over time... Addictions... Are these diseases or Choices?
 2. **Lust of the Eyes**- Finding worth in the things you see over the things of God. Think Hoarding...That is often thought of as a disease. Suffering 2x4's Interventions, etc. are sometimes needed. Think Prodigal son- and God used his rock bottom to help him make a anti rebellious choice.
 3. **Pride of Life**- Power Wealth, Feeling important in the sight of the world. These come from the world (Satan's Kingdom and will look upside down to God's Kingdom)... Most of these are thought of as choices and Rebellion. Think Saul... vs David.

Again this shows that the Disease we are fighting is Death (like the snake bite which was really caused by a Heart Condition- Whining against God- AKA rebellion), Some Sins are how we deal with the stress of that, and others are choices that we must be accountable to because unlike flowers we can move and get help and look to Jesus. This does not mean we are off the hook for sins, because once we become alive we are witnesses to the Life of the Kingdom and have access to all of the Books (like God's word) vaccines, Sprays, Math Teachers we need to grow stronger!

Jesus is the Vaccine for the Disease of Death... This is a Basic of the Church! Focusing on Sin misses the point because if you focus on the Sin you then think if I am Good I need not worry! We Must be Vaccinated by Jesus!

Today's Questions

- What Basics do you feel Good about Not so good about for yourself?
 - 1. We are saved by faith in Jesus;
 - 2. Baptisms
 - 3. Spiritual gifts/ Laying on of Hands
 - 4. Resurrection of the dead
 - 5. Eternal judgment/Sin
- Which one's would you have difficulty sharing with others and why?

HELL TRIANGLE

Three views of final punishment

- Traditionalism**
 Everyone lives forever. The unsaved will suffer everlasting conscious torment.
- Universalism**
 Everyone lives forever. The unsaved will be refined and restored to God.
- Conditionalism**
 The unsaved are raised but not given immortality. They are punished with permanent destruction, including any finite conscious torment.

Apokatastasis (Acts 3:21)
 Restoration/redemption of all things, also reflecting a view of the fate of Evil. Sometimes equated with Universalism, but relatable to each view.

Purgatory (Catholic)
 In addition to a traditional Hell, a place of refinement for some Christians in preparation for Heaven.

RethinkingHell.com

Turning the Upside Down Kingdom... Right side up- Eternal Judgement views

We will end with a resource of different views of Eternal Judgement... I am a bit more Traditional, but I could be persuaded to Conditional View. If you have questions on this let me know next week. Jesus had lots of Parables about Judgement which included separation and burning of weeds.. Weeds are burned then are no more. That is where the conditionalism idea has biblical weight. Though eternal burning also has weight too. Hell was made for angels... Because they had to go somewhere. Are they eternal too?

