



**Congratulations, You Made it!**  
**Now what?**

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

Week 6: Aug.15

Chapter 19 The Basics  
of the Right-side up  
Church/UpSide Down  
world Church Part 2-  
Now what...

Week 6: Right Side up  
Basics 101 part 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:** The 101 Course of Christ- the Basics. Eternal Judgement.

**Week 6: ( This Week) I am a Christian- I am learning the basics- Now what? Practical applications of the basics**

Why are the Basics so important? They give us the muscle memory for when times get tough and we begin to doubt- Ourselves, Others, God.

Tough times lead to Triggers, Triggers lead to Thoughts, Thoughts lead to Elephant/ Flesh actions.

Doubt leads to Questions.

What answers/Sources to you have for yourself and others?

# Acts 19 has Primarily 4 parts that Address the BASICS

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

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

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

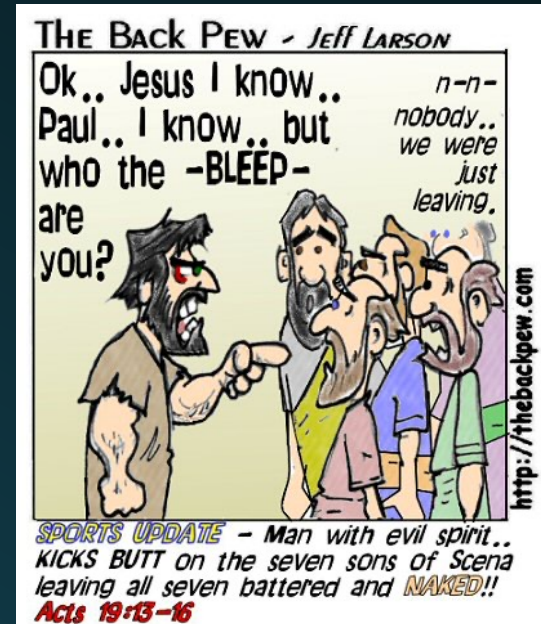
Basics- Teaches for 2 years the Basics, Uses his gifts (miracles, etc.)

## 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)

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

Basics: WHAT IS SIN?

1. Rebellion is our natural state...
2. Baptism is the physical sign that we  
have chosen Jesus' Side and the heart  
change that comes through the Holy  
Spirit giving us antibodies.
3. Sin is a symptom of the rebellious  
flesh we have.
4. Our Flesh will be destroyed and  
renewed


## The Basics 101 - the Finished Work of Jesus

Rebellion and Restoration... The story of the  
Bible.

1. The Wages of Rebellion (witchcraft, idolatry and  
Paganism and Pride) are Death Romans 6:23
2. For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of  
God Romans 3:23
3. Jesus Came and died that we might have life (John  
3:16)

Jesus overcomes, sin Death, and the Law!  
(I Corinth 15: 55-57) O death, where is your  
victory?

O death, where is your sting?"<sup>56</sup> For sin is  
the sting that results in death, and the law  
gives sin its power. <sup>57</sup> **But thank God! He  
gives us victory over sin and death  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.**



# We are Teachers of the Basics if we are Disciples ourselves....Answering Questions (with our lives and sometimes with words)

- The basics of Eternal Judgement...
- 1. Eternal judgement...comes when we don't pick God's side or our natural state of rebellion. Last week.
- 2. Rebellion leads to a second death. Sin is a symptom of a rebellious heart which we all were born with.
- 3. Jesus died to overcome the disease of rebellion like a virus with a 100%death rate and the death that comes from that rebellion.
- 4. Once we receive the gift of Jesus dying for our rebellion, we are inoculated from the 2nd death virus.

- Questions new believers may have.. : asked of the congregation ...

## **QUESTION #1**

- **1. Can we sin (get sick) after being saved (the inoculation of Jesus' saving blood)?** Yes we all do. The inoculation of his blood does not mean we catch the virus. It is like the shingles it is already within us. It is like a breakthrough infection. We need to try to protect ourselves with the word, family etc. But no infection can cause us to die that 2nd death.

# More Basic Questions.... Q#2 Why do we sin?

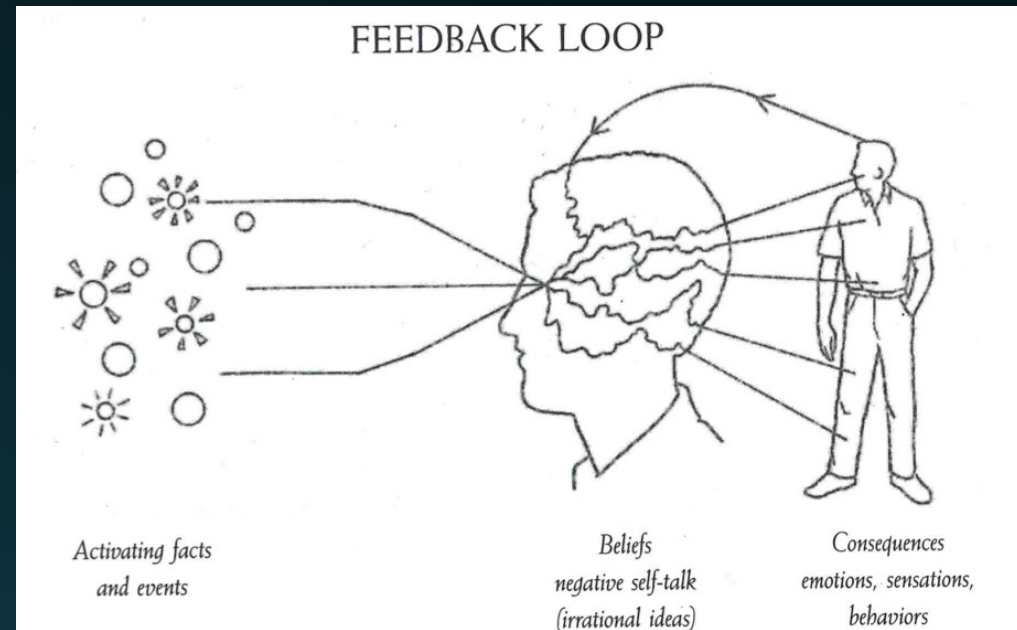
## a. First Why do we sin?

- i. Before Jesus- our normal state which leads to death...
- ii. After Jesus- Our natural state, that does not lead to death but does have consequences.
- iii. Things Trigger our flesh. The Flesh is our Elephant that Jesus does not take away, but he makes us the rider of the elephant. Everything that God made was good! Stuff we make is not bad either... Games, drinks, drugs, bodies, Music, Food, did I say food? These things are not bad... our flesh doesn't know limits... Walking without limits (after the flesh) is bad, walking with Godly limits (after the spirit ) is good! The Flesh is our elephant, we are the rider... We can control the Elephant, but we have to prepare... Make a harness, feed it normally, not try to overcompensate and feel guilty about mess ups! NO FIGS No Fear, Inadequacies , Guilt or Shame...

Here is one way to look at the process... Before and after we get saved...

1. Triggers lead to thoughts,
2. thoughts to behaviors,
3. behaviors to consequences.

4. **Jesus upends the Eternal Consequence part for us as Believers.** That is why we have to come to God on His terms because it is Him who we sin against... Praise the Lord for His goodness. He allows us to experience the *temporal* consequences of sin (for our own good). But He has saved us from the *eternal* consequences of sin. Jesus paid the penalty for our sins so we will never experience the second death, which is the lake of fire (Revelation 20:14). Believers in Christ are promised that the curse and consequences of sin will be completely removed one day, and “nothing will hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain” (Isaiah 11:9, NLT). (Got Answers.com)



Source: <https://www.youthadtoolbox.org.au/c4ii-understanding-thoughts-feelings-facts>

# Question #3: If Jesus Paid the consequence for our sin, why do we still suffer Consequences and Suffering?

Jesus does not take away the other Consequences for us.. (from Got Answers.com)  
Jesus took the wrath of God upon Himself (Isaiah 53:10). Sin's consequences still experienced by believers could be classified in one of these ways:

1. **Universal consequences.** Some of sin's consequences are experienced perpetually by every human being on earth, because we are all children of Adam.

2. **Natural consequences.** We live in a world of cause and effect, where the law of sowing and reaping is in full effect. Some of sin's consequences are built-in and practically guaranteed, no matter if the sinner is saved or unsaved.

God allows us to experience some of the temporal consequences of sin to show His love for us. If God never disciplined His straying children, He would not be a good Father. If we were never disciplined or never suffered the consequences for our wrong action, we would never learn right from wrong. We tend to learn from our mistakes more readily than we learn from our successes.

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3. **Instructional consequences**. Very likely, God allows some of sin's consequences to remain in our lives to teach us the heinous nature of sin and to remind us to depend upon God's grace. When Ananias and Sapphira were disciplined for their sin, it was instructive for the church: "Great fear seized the whole church and all who heard about these events" (Acts 5:11). See also 1 Corinthians 5:5 and 1 Timothy 1:20.

4. **Disciplinary consequences**. Some of sin's consequences are the result of God's treating us as a father should his children. There's a difference between a *penalty* for sin and *discipline* for sin. As God's children, we experience discipline designed to guide us back to the right path. "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, because the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son" (Hebrews 12:5–6; cf. Proverbs 3:11–12)

# Let's Get Real, Once we are saved, now what?

- Question #4 How do you encourage yourself in this Discipleship walk? What is our Virus Dance?

- 1. Know your triggers. What are your triggers for sins?
- 2. What thoughts do you get with those triggers?
- 3. What role do stressors, pain, weaknesses (like being tired etc) play with those thoughts?
- 4. How can you plan ahead for success and failure..... Get back on track normally, don't overdue it because of guilt. That leads to a cycle of guilt and can make one question their inoculation.

5. Look at your inoculation card (the word of God) regularly. Hang around the vaccinated. Share your freedom and joy of being vaccinated with the unvaxed. Share the danger (judgement) of being unvaxed with those you love and those who will listen. Look to the brass serpent. Know some will deny that the brass serpent works or the vaccine. Many may learn the hard way but don't say or think I told you so but lament their deception and rebellion as someone who was once in their shoes. That is God's sacrificial Love.

# We didn't finish these last week so I am keeping them here: 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.

### Universalism

UNIVERSAL RECONCILIATION



### 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?

