

MAN MADE SYSTEMS OF THEOLOGY OFTEN DEFAME THE CHARACTER OF GOD

The following truths from Scripture must guide our attempt to organize and logically connect Biblical doctrines into coherent wholeness.

The sinless death of Jesus gained victory over sin, death, and Satan.

The blood of Jesus that saves is the resurrected life giving Spirit of Christ who lives in the believer.

Jesus arose with all power and authority over heaven and earth.

Jesus succeeded where Adam failed because Jesus is God in human flesh.

Jesus is Head over the church having given new birth and new life to those who believe Him.

Jesus will someday restore all heaven and earth to a state of sinlessness without decay and death.

God is love. God demonstrated His love in the life of Jesus, the cross of Jesus, and His resurrection.

God freely forgives without requiring payment for wrongs done against Him.

God's justice does not require "eye for eye or tooth for tooth".

God never changes. God does not need to be reconciled to man. God needs no appeasement.

God's wrath against sin is never appeased. The wrath of God never changes nor diminishes.

Every person needs to be reconciled to God. Reconciled means that a man needs to be reborn of the Spirit and ultimately returned to "glory" being totally sinless and totally righteous.

Believers are moved out from under the wrath of God because of believing in Jesus.

God is "just" in rescuing believers from sin because He makes them new creations "in Christ".

"In Christ" believers are viewed in their final estate of glory which is the completed work of God.

There is no condemnation for believers because there is no penalty for sinlessness and righteousness.

Romans 8 2 Corinthians 5 Matthew 28:18 John 3

Man made systems of theology have often gone beyond the Word of God and defamed the character of God. Adding to the Word of God is warned against in Scripture. Some systems have placed God into a set of legalistic human terms. Some impose man's ideas rather than letting Scripture speak for itself. Beware of the dangers of following systematic theologies of man. Men punish themselves by placing excessive limitations on God. God coordinates, disciplines, and judges lives and orchestrates circumstances of life. Men punish themselves. God has no need to punish to bring about His outcomes. God gets no gratification in the punishment of the wicked. Punishment of the wicked is of their own doing. Self destructive behavior is anti-God. Pride, selfish independence, and fearfully running away from God is sin. Our Creator God should be praised by us, honored by us, and followed by us recognizing our dependence on Him for life itself and our rescue from sin.

