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Songs:	Amazing Grace (MY Chains Are Gone) – Chris Tomlin (4:26)				
	Good Good Father – Chris Tomlin (4:49)				
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Secrets of the Holy Place, by Perry Stone (begin DVD #4 at 00:42:11)

Priestly rituals that believers must follow today:

There were daily routines that the priests did at the Temple, and although these routines were practical for that day, they also have an application for every believer today.

- Table of Shewbread:
 - The priests made this bread once a week on the day before Shabbat. Then on Shabbat they could go in and eat it and replace it with the fresh bread they had just made. (Leviticus 24:5-9)
 - Jesus is the bread come down from heaven (John 6:32)
 - The bread can represent the twelve major doctrines of the New Testament. Throughout those doctrines, it's the Word of God that has to feed us.
 - (Matthew 6:9-13) "Give us this day our ***daily bread***..."
 - provision has to come to us every day to pay our bills and meet our needs
 - the bread is the Word of God – "Give us this day, God, the Word I need for today." Daily decisions have to be made, and we need wisdom and right counsel to make them. The only way to have wisdom and right counsel is to know what the Word of God has to say.
 - The bread was prepared from the finest wheat flour believed to be the wheat fields of Bethlehem (Leviticus 24:5-9).
 - Beth – place or house; Lechem – bread; Place of bread
 - The Bread of Life (Jesus!) was born in the city of Bethlehem – the house of bread
 - The wheat was put through eleven different sifters.
 - Twelve cakes were made in two separate piles.
 - Jesus said He was the bread come down from heaven, and He talked about eating His flesh and drinking His blood – a metaphor for communing with Him (John 6:51, 53-56).
 - The priests every single week made bread.
 - Anyone who has been raised in church knows that when you don't go to church one Sunday you don't feel right. Your week doesn't go good. Something's messed up. When you miss the house of God, where you get your bread, there's a misery that will come to your spirit sometimes.
 - For a believer, every week you need a place where you are fed.
 - Some places don't have churches. Some places don't even have full gospel or charismatic churches. Some places are very dry. In some places you have to drive 2 or 2½ hours to find any church. Sometimes in these conditions they have Bible Studies in their homes, and they use different preaching and teaching, because they have no other way of doing it.
 - Some way, some time, you have to have fresh bread once a week. That doesn't mean to wait until Saturday/Sunday to read your Bible. It means you've got to have that major time where you get the instruction, the doctrine, the teaching, the commands of God and you are fed in the body just like the priests.
 - The Table of Shewbread represents once every week having a major time when you are ministered the Word of the Almighty God.
- Blessing Prayers:
 - The blessing of the priest was prayed over Israel – called the Aaronic Blessing

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

- The high priest would hold his hands up in a formation of the letter Shin (21st letter of the Hebrew alphabet) – the letter that represents God’s name. The priest would put his two hands together and he would speak this blessing over the people.
- This blessing was spoken every day over Israel.
- **YOU have to learn how to speak blessing over your entire family.** Blessing shouldn’t be spoken just every now and then during celebrations. That blessing needs to be spoken on a total consistent basis. Speak blessings and life, not death in the words you choose to say over anyone.
- The planned attacks of the enemy against believers.:
 - 1. Get believers to sin (against someone or against God):
 - The real root of sin is separation from God – to keep people out of heaven
 - In going a step further though, the real root of getting a believer to sin is to produce in them condemnation.
 - The reason condemnation is one of the most powerful tools in the life of a believer is what it says in I John 3:20-21

I John 3:20-21

For if our hearts condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knows all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.

- The word condemnation has the root word condemn in it. It means to announce an adverse verdict or to announce a guilty verdict.
- If a believer sins and it remains unrepented you will first come under conviction, and condemnation.
- Conviction is a rebuke. Holy Spirit convicts believers if they sin. That’s why if you say something wrong, you feel miserable. That’s why if you do something wrong, you feel miserable. You must be careful, because if you ever get to where you don’t feel miserable and you feel good about it, you can have some real serious issues on your hands.
- The Holy Spirit convicts, but the Holy Spirit does not condemn a forgiven person.
- God convicts – satan condemns.
- We should be thankful to God when we feel conviction – because we are a child of God.

Proverbs 3:11-12

¹¹ *My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD, Nor detest His correction;*

¹² *For whom the LORD loves He corrects, Just as a father the son in whom he delights.*

- Those He convicts are His sons and daughters, but if He does not convict you you’re illegitimate.
- When people can say they go to church, and they’re getting drunk on Friday and they’re a mess and mistreating people and cussing people out, then say they are a Christian – no they can’t be. Because what’s happened is they’re not being dealt with by the Holy Spirit, which means they’re illegitimate – they are not in the family.
- As long as you can feel conviction, you need to thank God.
- Once you have asked God to forgive your life, satan knows the power of condemnation.
- When you feel condemnation, your heart feels guilty. And when your heart feels guilty and you’re approaching God, you don’t feel God is hearing you. You don’t feel like you are worthy. You don’t feel like God cares about you. What you have to understand is that you’ve got to look at the devil and say, “Devil, you are a liar – watch me pray in the Holy Ghost. Stand back and watch me worship, because I am serving God despite what you say and despite what you’re trying to do, I’m going to follow God!”

- Follow God long enough and He'll bring victory in areas of your life, and you'll look back a year from now and be amazed at how different you are now compared to then.
 - 2. Bring sickness on the believer:
 - Sinners and Christians alike become sick. The reason for sickness is to create a weakness in your body that will slow you down from fulfilling the purpose. That's the bottom line of why satan tries to create a sickness in the life of a believer.
 - **Disease** – is **DIS EASE**. It breaks up your ease. It breaks up your rest. It breaks up your peace.
 - There's a theory that came along years ago in the body of Christ that if we're sick with disease we need to *"bear it for the glory of God."*
 - How ridiculous is it for a preacher to get up and tell a believer who's 30 years of age and has got dis-ease to go ahead and accept their dis-ease for the glory of God because God might be trying to teach you something?
 - If you're going to accept the disease for the glory of God, you might as well just leave the hospital and go home, because if you accept that medicine and get better, you might mess the glory up.
 - If you're in a hospital and ask a nurse/doctor if they can get something out of you, and they can do it, you're going to live a long life, because God said "With longer life I'll satisfy and show you My salvation" (Psalms 91:16) – so to live longer is the will of God. For a preacher to say that disease it's just the will of God is contrary to what the Bible says God wants for us – He wants us to live a long life.
 - It's a terrible contradiction for God to say, "I am the Lord that healeth thee," for God to say that with His stripes we are healed, for Him to have taken our sickness and bore our infirmity (Exodus 13:26; Isaiah 53:5; I Peter 2:24; Matthew 8:17).
 - As believers we have to understand that there's a covenant of healing and if we listen to this thinking then it is contrary to the Bible.
 - Sickness is an attack of the enemy.
 - God has provided a healing covenant for those who believe.
 - 3. Creates temptation for the believer:
 - Tempt means to scrutinize or to entice.
 - There are some thing we will call customized temptations:
 - for example: the enemy knows that your family's weakness is alcohol – in five generations you have a drunk in every generation. The enemy knows that if he can get you depressed enough he was bend you towards alcohol. He can customize something based on your family generational lineage, based on the weakness of your DNA. He scrutinizes to look and see where it will work, and then he moves in.
 - Temptation is: an inner pressure to form a distraction

James 1:13-14

¹³ *Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. ¹⁴ But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.*

- It is not God tempting you to go sin. It says in the Bible that God does not tempt you with evil. Satan is the tempter. (James 1:13-14; Matthew 4:3)
- The purpose of temptation is to distract you, because if you have a temptation of some kind then it's hard to concentrate and focus. So it's about distraction.
- How Jesus handled all the distraction of the enemy:
 - Satan came to Him and told Him to command the stones to be made bread, worship him and jump off a cliff (Matthew 4:1-11; Luke 4:1-13). What satan was trying to do with that jump was to get Jesus to jump and commit suicide, because there's no way angels would protect Him because that's presumption to be able to jump thinking the angels would protect you. Jesus knew this so He didn't jump. You don't have to jump when the devil says jump!

- Jesus his him with three scriptures from the book of Deuteronomy.

Deuteronomy 6:13

¹³ *You shall fear the LORD your God and serve Him, and shall take oaths in His name.*

Deuteronomy 6:16

¹⁶ *“You shall not tempt the LORD your God as you tempted Him in Massah.*

Deuteronomy 8:3

³ *So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.*

- Every time satan came with those three temptations, Jesus pulled a verse out from the book of Deuteronomy, from the law, and it says that satan left Him for a season.
- The Bible says there are three things that bring temptation: lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, and pride of life (Luke 4:13). Every sin in the world only goes under these three. In the Garden of Eden satan used these three – the fruit of the tree looked good, that it would make you wise (pride)
- Satan used these same three things against Jesus:
 - Pride of life: Satan promised to give Jesus the kingdoms of the world if He would worship him. Satan’s trying to play on His pride to be a king.
- Jesus slapped him down with three verses. **The only way to fight the attack of the enemy is to SAY THE WORD!**
 - Satan can outthink you. You can think, think, think anything and it doesn’t have power. But when you SAY, “Get behind me satan,” he has to.
 - **The WORD has to be SPOKEN out of your mouth.** Don’t just think it – say it out loud. There’s power and authority released once you speak it. There’s a spiritual law, a spiritual dynamic, that goes into effect when you speak the word of the Lord.
- 4. To hinder a believer’s prayer life:
 - Why? To cause them to give up before the answer ever comes
 - Daniel’s prayer was hindered for 21 days (Daniel 10:13).
 - Jesus prayed for a blind man and had to pray two times in order for the blind man to be healed (Mark 8:22-26).
 - the early church had to have an all-night prayer meeting. The Bible says they prayed without ceasing (Acts 12:5).
 - Jesus prayed in the garden three hours before He was arrested (Matthew 26:36-46).
 - The enemy tries to get you to give up because you have not yet heard or seen your prayer answered.

Daniel 10:12-13

¹² *Then he said to me, “Do not fear, Daniel, **for from the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard;** and I have come because of your words. ¹³ *But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days; and behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left alone there with the kings of Persia.**

- We think God only heard it when He answered it – He heard it the first time we prayed it, the answer just took longer to get to you.
- Sometimes prayers take a long time to be answered because of the will of the person we are praying about. One thing to understand about prayer is God will never overpower your personal desire and will to do something over the top of your will. That would make Him a dictator.

- It's the same for those who will to go when they are old. We can pray and pray for them to hang on, when all they want is to go on to be with their Savior. God will not overdo the will of that person. When they will to go, they're going to go.
- It's the same on the flip – when you will to live, when you say, “God's not done with me yet; I think I'll live a little longer!” Why not will to live?
- God hears you when you pray despite the fact that you're not getting your prayer answered yet.
- 5. To send hindering spirits:
 - What is a hindering spirit? The hindering spirit came to Paul to cause him to be weary in well doing (II Corinthians 12:7). Paul's answer was that he asked God to take it from him and God said His grace is sufficient (II Corinthians 12:8-9). Anything you go through where the enemy is attacking you – **grace** is the same Greek word for **favour** – God will give favor to put up with anything that that devil's trying to do to you.
 - When the hindrances come, you don't quit, you don't give up, you ask God for some favor.
- 6. To create a sense of guilt about the past:
 - A sense of guilt is extremely, extremely strong.
 - You cannot progress into your future with God as long as you're abiding in the guilt of yesterday. The fear of tomorrow and the guilt of yesterday are two of the biggest forces believers are fighting. If you fear tomorrow, you dread tomorrow. If you have guilt of yesterday, you have no faith for today because you're living in guilt and shame.
 - Noah built an ark – later he got drunk (Genesis 9:21)
 - Lot was rescued from Sodom – later he got drunk and committed incest (Genesis 19:35-38)
 - Samson lost his anointing by chasing women (Judges 16:18-21)
 - Gideon saved a nation then made a golden ephod to worship (Judges 8:27)

Isaiah 61:7

⁷ *Instead of your shame you shall have double honor...*

- The reason satan tries to put this sin of guilt or shame on someone is because of living in the past.
- Except for the blood on the Ark on the Day of Atonement, nothing forgave Israel (Leviticus 16). They only got that forgiveness one time a year, and then they had to wait for another year, and another year. When they put sacrifices on the altar there was never any real forgiveness from those sacrifices. There was a covering of sin in the eyes of God. So God covered their sins, but not in the sense that we understand forgiveness. That's why it took atonement to take all the offerings the entire year, come before God, and then the nation is forgiven at one time. It was one time, once a year.
- Paul said that Christ does not go in every year (Hebrews 10:10-12). Once and for all He went in and forgave. Our sins are not like this altar, because on this altar when they brought a sacrifice, God it and said, “I won't see it because of the blood.” **Now when we go before God, He doesn't cover it, He erases it! He erases it as though it never happened!**
- Your sense of guilt has to be removed by you understanding that being covered in the blood of Christ is not hiding sin from God, it's erasing sin from God. God said He would take away our sins and not remember them any longer (Hebrews 8:12).
- 7. Create a sense of fear about the future:
 - Fear paralyzes the progress you have in going forward, and keeps you in torment (I John 4:18).
 - Torment is to inflict punishment.
 - **Fear** – the Greek word is **phobos** and it's where we get the word **phobia**.
 - **Fear is a weapon to inflict dread.** When you are afraid of the future, you will dread the future.

I John 4:18

...perfect love casteth out fear...

- When you are living in fear, it is evident that your love is not perfected – you believe that your husband doesn't love you, you believe your children don't love you, you believe your family doesn't love you – you're living in fear.
- When you're living in fear with your relationship with God, you literally don't understand the love of God that He has.
- In the church we used to preach against things so much that it created a false sense that if you did something wrong or said something wrong then you backslid and then you would have to go back to the altar and get saved all over again.
 - Yet in the book of Revelation we read about a woman in the church who's a Jezebel and God says He's given her a space to repent (Revelation 2:10-11). God knew the woman was totally messed up and would totally mess the church up, but in His mercy He provides her a space to stop doing this.
 - A man was committing fornication with his step-mother and Paul rebuked the church telling them to turn him over to satan and the destruction of the flesh so his soul might be saved (I Corinthians 5:1-5). Then later Paul tells them to forgive this boy let he be swallowed up in much sorrow (II Corinthians 2:7). The point was – if the boy did not repent then Paul said to put him out of the church. But he repents - and the church didn't want to forgive him. Paul says for them to forgive lest satan should get an advantage over us who are ignorant of his devices (II Corinthians 2:10-11). Paul knew that if they did not release that boy and they held him in the mental prison after he repented, the same type of problem would come on them. Satan would take advantage of them through their unforgiveness.
- How do you get rid of the fear that the enemy is trying to put on your life? You get rid of the fear simply by believing God's love for you.

***The devil cannot hate you
more than God can love you!***

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