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Washed or Covered - posted by MattChenier (), on: 2006/11/17 7:28

Just a little nugget! I asked God how our sins could be washed and covered at the same time. I felt he told me that our past sins are washed away but the sins we have present in our lives are covered. The past is gone forever, but based on 1 John 1:8 nobody is perfect yet so we walk under a covering of Grace :) simple but most people never think of it. Yes I do emphasize "works worthy of repentance!"

Re: Washed or Covered - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2006/11/17 10:33

How about 1 John 1:9 implying that sinful **behaviour** (ie, sin) being **covered** (ie, forgiven), while sinful **tendency** (ie, unrighteousness) being **cleansed**?

Seems alot simpler, and requires a plain reading of Scripture to believe, and has a straight forward means to receive (ie, bold faced acknowledgemant of sin).

Also, ironic that it is found one verse after the verse that you quoted. :-)

Re: Washed or Covered - posted by KingJimmy (), on: 2006/11/17 15:55

Quote:

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In all humility, I don't believe you heard from God on this. For your question implies that there is a real and actual difference between being "washed" and "covered." The fact of the matter is that these terms are simply different metaphors used to describe the exact same thing-- that is, the forgiveness of sins.

Re: Washed or Covered - posted by KingJimmy (), on: 2006/11/17 16:03

Quote:

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1 John 1:8 says no such thing! 1 John 1:8 simply says nobody can deny having a sinful carnal nature. This isn't at all speaking of living in unrepentant sin, as 1:6 makes clear. Nowhere is it taught in all of Scripture that we walk under a covering of grace while living in unrepentant sin.

Re: - posted by MattChenier (), on: 2006/11/17 18:27

This is why i so strongly stated i am an emphasizeer of "works worthy of repentance." I would never allow a life of sin with a profession of christ. the clean conscience paul speaks of is the foundation for a clean heart and salvation. I can say that based upon an individuals revelation i don't believe their is a person alive, but christ, who is has fully crucified the "tendencies" of the flesh. This is why i suggest the work of the covering for our present failures. I should have searched for more balance in this before i posted it.. Forgive my lack of clarification as well as possibly my lack of understanding. "Seek peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see God." i do know that. perhaps i thought to hard on the difference of words "washed and cleansed." or perhaps i haven't researched it enough or explained it properly. I will ground my theory a little better next time i post :)

Re: - posted by rookie (), on: 2006/11/17 19:11

Brother Matt,

Keep listening to the word you hear... I have experienced that as the Holy Spirit is teaching one, precepts found in Scripture, are at first just a direction in which God is leading one to understand what He Himself is teaching the individual. As time goes on, and as you continued to feed on the whole of Scripture, those precept become clearer in one's understanding. As you learn this way you will find a treasure not known by many because they choose not to hear.

In terms of covering, this precept came to mind...

2Cor. 5:1 For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. 2 For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, 3 if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked. 4 For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life.

I believe that this Scripture is teaching us about being clothed by robes of righteousness. If we abide in Him He continues to further cloth us in grace and truth. It is this increase which overcomes our carnal mind. It is this increase which frees us from the nakedness of our depravity.

God Bless you brother
In Christ
Jeff

Re: - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2006/11/18 6:00

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Matt,

I hope we didn't disuade you in any way, or appear to be jumping fown your throat. I guess we all come from slightly different directions, and I have noticed that as we share our experiences and understanding of Scripture (however limited it may be), we tend to come one step closer to the truth. I promise you that there are no two people who agree fully, here at this site, but there is a mutual respect amongst all who stay, that is probably the closest thing you can have to true fellowship, without being in the same room together.

One thing is for sure, we are all passionate about His Word, and the Truth (which should be inseperable). Stick around, share what you feel the Lord is giving you, and receive from those who respond. Between that and the preaching, there is a powerful tool in God's hands, that supliments His Word nicely.

Welcome aboard.

Re: - posted by letsgetbusy (), on: 2006/11/18 22:06

I didn't read all the posts, but this is the way I have always dealt with that question:

OT sacrifice covers, the blood of Jesus cleanses.

If you spilt a drink on the carpet and then covered it, it is not visible, but the stain is still there. Cleansing, rather, does away with the stain completely.

1 John 1:7b the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin

Re: - posted by mega (), on: 2006/11/18 22:24

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1 Corinthians 1:27: But God has put the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty.

Keep sharing your revelations brother because when ever we are wrong the Lord always will open our eyes to the truth, this is what this site is about. Dont allow anyone to say you dont hear from God, that is just lacking in grace and understanding on their part. God Bless. :-)

Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2006/11/18 22:58

mega, i concur, grace does seem to be in lack at times

Matt, i for one have learned a little already from this thread, so thankful!

we can perhaps try understanding the different usage of words better with a broader consideration of context..scope..time line even?

thanks

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While I agree with what you say here, in part, mega, the fact remains that there is a responsibility for those who hear from God to weigh words that are expressed as "words from God", in light of the revelation that they have received, from the **Word of God**.

"Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge.
If any thing be revealed to another that sitteth by, let the first hold his peace.
For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.
And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.
For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.
(1 Co 14:29-33)

Criticism of "revelation" is the responsibility of the discerning. To not do it, is to be irresponsible.

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I once heard David Pawson tell a story of a lady who stepped forward in a meeting to deliver a word of prophecy, and that he discerned in his spirit that it wasn't a true word from God. He then noticed that no one commented on it. He went to

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the elder of the church, and told him about it, and explained the basis of his claims. He told the elder that if he didn't tell the lady, then he would do it himself.

The lady came up to him after the meeting and said, "I hear that you told the elder that the prophecy I delivered wasn't from God." to which Pawson replied, "That's right." The lady went on to thank him, because it was the first time that she had done so, and she was afraid of getting it wrong. Pawson's rebuke gave her reassurance that if she got it wrong, someone cared enough to allow God to use them to tell her, and so she resolved to be available if God so desired to use her in the future.

We're all on a learning curve, and we can all use someone to watch our back. I know that I have appreciated it in the past.

Re: - posted by MattChenier (), on: 2006/11/19 0:28

I am excited at the topic of discussion, i have definitely re-evaluated my first post in this thread. I have somewhat prayed and meditated on the topic and will very soon do a study on the topic to bring the confidence in my theory that i should have had at first. I will try to post later tonight!