

EVERY SOUL NEEDS A HIDING PLACE

TEXT:

Isaiah 32:2: And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.

QUESTION: A hiding place from what?

ANSWER: From an accusing conscience.

We all have a conscience, and many have sinned against it so much that it is seared. Others have found that they could not live with the torments and torrents of their accusing conscience.

The 1000's of suicides are proof, alcohol and illegal drugs are proof, restitution letters are proof, murder is proof, and jails are proof.

The convicting power of the Spirit of God brings your sins to your memory so that you can see the wrongs you have done. All have sinned. There is no hiding place from an accusing conscience in this life that man can provide.

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The Shed Blood of Christ

1 John 1:9: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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Hiding Places From the Devil

Some folks are too “wise” to believe in a real devil. Well, if there is no devil, there is something that acts very much like one hanging around here. I believe there is

a personal devil, because the Bible says so.

1 Peter 5:8: Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.

Hiding Places from Wrath to Come

Romans 2:4-5:

4 Or despisest thou [a critical judge in the flesh] the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?

5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the Righteous Judgment of God;

2 Thessalonians 1:7-9

7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from Heaven with His mighty angels,

8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the Presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His Power;

A Man Shall Be for a Hiding Place

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It says a man. Who is this man?

Isaiah 52:6: Therefore My people shall know My Name: therefore they shall know in that day that I AM He that doth speak: behold it is I.



Christ alone can save us from our sins. Let me further say:



A religion that is not saving you from the power of sin now, cannot save you from the consequences of sin in the here-after.

There are a lot of people who have a worthless religion. They are saying their prayers, yet they are doing all sorts of evil and vile things. Have you not that kind of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ Who is saving you from the power of sin, **now**? There is only one kind that can, and it is what Jesus provides.

Ephesians 2:5-9:

⁵ Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by Grace ye are saved;)

⁶ And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in Heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

⁷ That in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His Grace in His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

⁸ For by Grace are ye saved through Faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the Gift of God:

⁹ Not of works, lest any man should boast.

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