

50 POSITIONAL TRUTHS

#10: Related to God through Propitiation

Positional truths not only deal with our positions in Christ, they deal with all positions we have due to the supernatural divine achievements which constitute the riches of grace. These truths 1) are not experienced; 2) they are not progressive; 3) they are not related to merit; 4) they are eternal in character; 5) they are known only by revelation; 6) they are accomplished by God alone; and 7) man has absolutely nothing to do with any of these accomplishments. Man believes and God accomplishes at least 50 things that secure and bless the believer.

These positional truths are not affected by our temporal lives. Regardless of where you are in the plan of God, you possess these truths forever. Even if you are in reversionism (deep in cosmic *skubalon*), you still possess these wonderful truths. That's grace!

Positional truth:

#10 Related to God through Propitiation. To propitiate somebody means to appease or pacify his anger. God's has a holy wrath against sin and evil. It is God Himself who in holy wrath needs to be propitiated. It was God Himself out of His pure and holy love who took the initiative to appease His own righteousness through His Son. Man is alienated from God by sin and God is alienated from man by wrath. It is in the substitutionary death of Christ that sin is overcome and wrath averted, so that God can look on man without displeasure and man can look on God without fear. Sin is expiated and God is propitiated.

Romans 3:24 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; ²⁵ whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. *This was* to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed;

1 John 4:10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 2:2 and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for *those of* the whole world.

Blessed ☺

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