

EPHESIANS 2:1-7 "BUT GOD"

GREATEST COMEBACKS ALL RED SOX WIN YANKEES, game4, 9th, yankees –DEAD SOX

- Chips are down – no possible HOPE – **IMPOSSIBLE COMEBACKS INSPIRING**
 - o **WE ARE BUILT FOR THIS – BC FALL BUILT IN LONGING/HOPE**

PAUL: EVERY CHRISTIAN - YOUR LIFE – YOUR TESTIMONY – BUT GOD (say neigh)

MP: With God, your down and out is your up and in, your disappointment is your divine appointment, and your setback is your come back. What is impossible is made possible by this one phrase, "But God."

DOSE OF REALITY – **BACK TO THE START OF IT ALL – IF UR A REAL XIAN**

Your situation will only change if you deal with the truth.

THE IMPOSSIBLE

NO BIGGER impossibility overcome than spiritually dead. **LOST AND RUINED**

- **DEAD BODY:** powerless, helpless, cold, cast away dark. SP "carnival for worms"

Never pretty: place of pain, sorrow, anguish, hopelessness - HONEST

OUR TRUE CONDITION – MOST BLATANT STATEMENTS IN BIBLE

YOU WERE DEAD: Dead in trespasses/sins – NATURAL CONDITION (spiritually dead)

- **Trespass** (lifestyle): Violate know law. **Sin** (nature): fallen/broken condition
 - o **YOU FEEL: lie, steal, mistreat, perp state of incompleteness**

GARDEN: choice to be made – devil is influencing – humanity sideways – **KILLED US**

OUR REAL DESCRIPTION

NOT JUST YOU: Course of world –WHAT WRONG WORLD – **HIGH SPEED REBELLION,**

- **FOLLOW THE LIAR: SPIRIT OF DECEPTION**

John 8:44. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.WHOLW WORLD LIES

- o **CURRENTLY AT WORK SONS DISOBEDIENCE – aka unsaved**

2 Corinthians 4:4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

We aren't sinners because we sin; we sin because we are sinners. WHAT WE LIVED 4

Death knows no degrees you are either dead or alive.

THE REALITY OF GOD'S RESPONSE

BY NATURE children of wrath like EVERYONE – **INCONTROVERTIBLE SITUATION**

For the people who say we are all God's children – NOT ACCORDING TO BIBLE

- **Just as we are bound to Sin – God is bound to righteousness – MUST DO RIGHT**
 - o **Justice is the only right response to SIN**

If you haven't come to grips with that reality, you have most likely never been saved.

THE CUP

MADE POSSIBLE

BUT GOD: Biggest baddest phrase in the Bible.....

BIBLE FULL BUT GOD MOMENT: 3 Hebrew boys fire, red sea/pharaoh, Sarah's barren womb, insurmountable giant, Saul terrorist, Daniel lions den, genocide Israel hands Haman, crucified stone rolled across the tomb - **BUT GOD RAISE HIM = GOSPEL FOR U MADE U ALIVE: QUICKENED / AWAKEN / BORN AGAIN / SP RESURRECTED**
God has made you spiritually alive to Him, in relationship and with the capacity for spiritual communion.

- **NIC STORY - THE WIND BLOWS where wishes – hear sound**
- IN CHRIST - STAGE 1: Seated with Him – Position / Place / Identity STAGE 2

You can't go any higher than the height to which God has lifted you to. **PRIVILEGED MADE POSSIBLE BY HIS GREAT LOVE: He loved Us – SPECIFIC – SENDING JESUS**
Romans 5:8 But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

- PRE-EMPTIVE LOVE – God made the first move...

Not UR love, your performance, not how you turned yourself around – **BUT DEREK**
God's love for us is manifested for us in two ways that save us.

- **MANIFESTED IN MERCY**

God is unlimited in His ability NOT to give us what we deserve.

- IN JESUS – U HAVE riches of God's abundant mercy towards you.
 - PUNITIVE – PRICE WAS PAID**HE PAID IT ALL yeah but...period**

- **MANIFESTED IN GRACE**

- IN JESUS – God lavishes upon u by Grace all that **HE WANTS U TO HAVE**

You are spiritually rich.

adoption, Spirit, divine favor, steadfastness, access, identity, destiny, HELP

MADE FOR HIS ETERNAL GLORY - FOR ALL TIME ETERNITY

YOU SHOW: immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus

- **KINDNESS:** Disposition of goodness towards someone.

YOUR LIFE IS LIVING PROOF OF HOW MUCH GOD LOVES HIS PEOPLE

LET YOUR IMPOSSIBLE BECOME POSSIBLE IN CHRIST.