

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Congratulations to Sis Ify and Bro Osas on the birth of their baby girl.
- Mercy Chapel inauguration service, today @ 2pm.
- Hannah and Doug invite you to their wedding, Sept. 10 @ 1pm.
- Freedom house relaunch service, Sept. 11th @2pm.
- Men of Valour, Sept. 16th @7pm
- Holy communion, Sept. 17th @7pm.
- If you have recently joined the church please scan the QR code below.
- If you're interested in joining any church department see Mimi.
- Don't forget to drop your clean bottles and pick up bread.



# WEEKLY EVENTS

**Sunday** (Sunday Service)- 10:00am



**Sunday** (Evening Service) – 7:00pm



**Monday** (Hour of Healing) – 7:00pm



**Tuesday** (Prayer Meeting) – 7:00pm



**Wednesday** (Deliverance)- 10:00am



**Thursday** (Midweek Service) – 7:00pm



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Daniel Adeloje (2nd)  
Gabriel Lokondja (2nd)  
Tolu Kolawole (4th)  
Daniel-Anaiah Odosa (4th)  
Nwenemdi David Ofuru (6th)  
Joseph Ikechebelu (8th)  
Pastor Ademola Farinu (9th)  
Brian Kirangwa (11th)  
Marg Argue (14th)  
Clarence Hamonic and Susan Ngara (14th)  
Adeshina Yahaya Alani (15th)  
Grace Ngara (16th)  
Oluwaseun Hannah Alani (18th)  
Francisca Ogunniyi (20th)  
Chidubem Udeh (22nd)  
Elisha Odosa (23rd)  
Hannah Muthio Lemma (27th)  
Ozioma Memeh (27th)  
Mercy Warui (29th)



# VICTORY CHAPEL

Pastor Ademola & Iheoma Farinu

ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday School – 10:00am

Main Service – 10:30am

SEP 4TH,  
2022

THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD

Our Mission Statement To leverage with the Body of Christ in Victoria in proclaiming and promoting the Lordship of Jesus Christ in all spheres of the believer's life through sound biblical teachings, discipleship; and reaching our world with the love of Christ through community service.



# THE HABITS OF HAPPINESS

## LEGALISM ROBS YOU OF HAPPINESS

**MEMORY VERSE:** “I no longer count on my own righteousness through obeying the law; rather, I become righteous through faith in Christ. For God’s way of making us right with himself depends on faith.” Philippians 3:9 (NLT)

### **INTRODUCTION**

Realizing there’s nothing you can do to make God love you more is one of the most liberating feelings in the world—and it is a key to happiness. The Bible says, **“We Christians glory in what Christ Jesus has done for us and realize that we are helpless to save ourselves” (Philippians 3:3 TLB).**

Each time you forget this truth and think you’ve got to somehow earn God’s love, that’s legalism—and it robs you of happiness. Legalism is trusting in what you can do for God instead of trusting in what Jesus has already done for you. It’s following a list of rules and regulations to prove yourself worthy, and it’s a trap that keeps you from relaxing in God’s grace.

**Read Galatians 2:19–21 (ESV):** *For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. 20 I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. 21 I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness[a] were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.*

**Read Romans 3:20–24 (ESV):** *20 For by works of the law no human being[a] will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. 21 But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— 22 the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.*

Paul knew how to relax in God’s grace. He said in **Philippians 3:9, “I no longer count on my own righteousness through obeying the law; rather, I become righteous through faith in Christ” (NLT).** In other words, the way you earn the love of God is this: You don’t earn it. It’s not about your performance; it’s about his pardon.

How do you know when you’re being legalistic? When you’re being legalistic, you’re often judgmental of other people. That’s because it’s easier to be critical of others when you don’t feel accepted and loved yourself. Why would you want other people to feel good about themselves when you don’t feel good about yourself?

On the other hand, how do you know when you’re living by grace? When you’re living by grace, you’re gracious to others. You find it easier to forgive because you recognize that God continues to forgive you. And since you’re not trying to earn your way to heaven, you can relax.

Every morning, remind yourself of God’s grace by praying, “Lord, today I am reminding myself that I’m completely forgiven.”

The more grace you live by, the more joy you’ll have.

### **DISCUSSION**

- When are you most tempted to trust in what you can do for God instead of what Jesus has already done for you?
- In what situations do you find it easiest to live by grace?
- Philippians 3:3 says, “We Christians glory in what Christ Jesus has done for us and realize that we are helpless to save ourselves” (TLB). How can you “glory in what Christ Jesus has done” for you?

