

precise meaning of words in order to learn what is the real truth that God wants us to know, but it is very easy for us to get wrapped up in arguments over matters that can't be made clear to our finite minds.

We all recognise that God is omnipresent. He is everywhere. He cannot be excluded from any bit of space. He indwells all the universe. Nevertheless the Scripture does speak of His coming into a person to live there. This must surely mean that He takes control in a special way, because, as far as the place is concerned, He is always everywhere. If it were not for the Holy Spirit's activity in keeping unsaved people from carrying out to the full the wickedness that is within them, they would be totally sinful, and this world would completely disintegrate. His general influence in the world keeps it together, and makes it possible that there shall be sufficient peace for Christians to be able to spread the Word of God.

It is certainly true that He indwells a person in a very special sense as soon as that person becomes a Christian. He takes control of our lives to a far greater extent, in a different way altogether from any relationship that He has with the unbeliever.

There is no harm in describing this as indwelling. It is a Scriptural term. But by it we don't mean anything like a man stepping into a room, or like pouring water into a pitcher.

Thus it seems to me that the truth that you are stressing is a very real one, and very important, and that the difference between you and those who are quoting Mr... is really simply a matter of terminology.

The matter of Law and Grace is often misunderstood. The true Christian has never been under Law, nor was the Jewish believer ever under Law in the sense that his salvation depended upon his keeping the Law. No one ever has been saved or ever will be saved in any other way than through the grace of Christ. The Old Testament believer had the Law to show him how God wanted him to live, and to make it easy for him to see how far short he fell, and how greatly he needed a Savior. The sacrifices were there to point forward to the coming of the One who would bear the sins of all who believe on Him whether they live before or after the time of His First Coming.

The Pharisees fell into the error of thinking that their salvation