

## Ever Been Overdrawn?

Job 34:12, The Almighty does not pervert justice

Well this may be a bit personal but here goes. I just received a call from my bank telling me that I was overdrawn. OUCH. Now this is a very unusual happening, really, because I am a fanatic, to the point of frustration, about keeping financial records down to the penny, making sure that this doesn't occur. It was an honest mistake in that I had paid an insurance bill and did not transfer the money from the savings account to cover it in my checking account. My bank is a local and gracious institution. Without giving a charge, they transferred the money.

After the initial embarrassing shock I realized that in part this is exactly what happened in man's relationship with God through Jesus Christ. God tells us that He will bring man into judgment and this is absolute. It will happen. It is not a probability or possibility. It will occur. It is part of God. He is perfect and so sin must be paid for. We all know this.

But what is sometimes missed is that fact that God's call of redemption is also part of His perfection. In His Infinite grace he has chosen His children. This is part of God. Because God chose, He must redeem. It is as absolute as His just condemnation. In His universe He determines the condition, conviction, and conversion. Our salvation from sin is as assured as condemnation of sin is.

God is just. Nothing can be overlooked. Every action, thought, motivation of the heart must be revealed, both good and bad. Before salvation the justice of God was my enemy, as it demanded my condemnation. But post justification it becomes my friend as it demands my eternal salvation. Payment for sin by Christ must be settled. If Christ paid for my sin, I must go to heaven. It is justice.

If someone puts a financial gift into my account enough to cover the debt, I cannot be forfeited, as justice demands it. Redeeming Love demands Satisfied Justice which in turn demands Secured Love and all are of God. Regardless of our debt, God's eternal grace is an unbeatable guardian of our eternal joy. It is love.

So remember the next time you overdraft at the bank, if you are as human as I, it is an earthly experience. Heaven's bank is beyond depletion, even by God. Also know

**You have not ever been overdrawn at God's bank as God's grace is before time.**