

The Attackers: Capacity Righteousness: Spiritual Growth Required for Client Nation Preservation; Breastplate of Righteousness Defends against Outside Adversities; Capacity & the Divine Initiatives: Direct: Imputation of Divine Righteousness & the Grace Pipeline & Positional Sanctification & Top-Circle Assets

22. Without replacements in the doctrinal supply chain, then, as members of the pivot die off, the resultant brain drain gradually destroys client nation status.
23. The next generation must respond to the challenge from the Dark Side and supply the doctrinal reinforcements that are required for our nation to survive.
24. If it does not take up the gauntlet, then this nation, as we know it, is finished.
25. The entire process of preparing one's soul to do battle in the Invisible War is illustrated by Paul with the phrase "put on the breastplate of righteousness" (Ephesians 6:14b).
26. 1 Corinthians 2:6-16 is a major passage that explains the system by which doctrine is metabolized into the soul. This system is referred to as Operation Z or the Grace Apparatus for Perception.
27. We have studied this passage on a number of occasions so there is no need to revisit it now. A quick review is provided in *Clanking Chains*, lessons CC02-189-CC02-192.¹

Capacity & the Divine Initiatives:

1. Capacity in the spiritual life is developed through the enabling power of the Holy Spirit and the metabolization of doctrine into the soul's *kardía*.
2. There are spiritual skills involved in this process: (1) The two power options: spiritual IQ under the filling of the Holy Spirit and Operation Z which results in the development of the ten problem-solving devices, and (2) their consistent function enables the believer to execute the protocol plan of God.
3. Capacity is provided in two ways: (1) the direct divine initiative at salvation, and (2) the indirect divine initiative following salvation.
4. Initiative is defined as follows: "to cause or facilitate the beginning of; an introductory; the energy or aptitude displayed in initiation of action."²
5. The direct divine initiative includes (1) the imputation of divine righteousness, and (2) positional sanctification.
6. The imputation of divine righteousness results in a person being justified before God due to one's faith alone in Christ alone.
7. To be justified before God means that the person is vindicated by the Supreme Court of Heaven through the forgiveness of all pre-salvation sins.

¹ <http://www.joegriffin.org/Pages/ClassArchive.aspx?SeriesID=CC02&ArchiveTitle=Clanking+Chains>

² Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, 11th ed., s.vv. "initiate," "initiative."

8. Justification is defined as “the doctrine that, at the moment we first believed in Christ, God credited to our account His own absolute righteousness and graciously declared us to be totally acceptable for a relationship with Him (Rom. 4:3).”³
9. All blessings from God are directed at His own perfect righteousness in us. This opens a grace pipeline through which logistical grace flows to God’s own perfect righteousness.
10. Logistics originate from divine justice which is directed in its function by divine righteousness.
11. This arrangement is permanent regardless of the spiritual status of the believer. All believers are sustained by receiving through grace the basic necessities of life.
12. The second category of direct divine initiative is positional righteousness. This is also categorized as positional sanctification and current positional truth.
13. These terms refer to the status that occurs when the Holy Spirit baptizes the believer into union with Christ where we share the following with Him: (1) His election (Ephesians 1:4), (2) destiny (Ephesians 1:5; Romans 8:28, 30), (3) sonship (Galatians 3:26; 1 John 3:1-2), (4) heirship (Romans 8:16-17; 1 Peter 1:4), (5) priesthood (Hebrews 10:10-14; 1 Peter 2:5, 9), (6) sanctification (Corinthians 1:2, 30), (7) royalty (2 Timothy 2:11-12; 2 Peter 1:11), (8) righteousness (2 Corinthians 5:21, and (9) eternal life (1 John 5:11-12).

³ R. B. Thieme, Jr., *Christian Integrity*, 3d ed. (Houston: R. B. Thieme, Jr., Bible Ministries, 2002), 45.