The command to believe the gospel is a "command," that is, it is in the imperative mode, requiring action from the hearers.

Repenting, that is, "minding after" the gospel and believing it are forever conjoined realities: To be repenting is to be "minding after" the gospel, and this kind of repenting goes hand-in-hand with believing the gospel.

To refuse to be repenting, that is, to be minding after the gospel and to be believing it is direct disobedience to the gospel command.

SEALED by THE HOLY SPIRIT

unto the day of **REDEMPTION**:

ETERNAL SALVATION.

Ephesians 1:13

In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise,

Ephesians 4:30

And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

2 Corinthians 1:22

Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

Hebrew 5:9

And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

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SELF- RIGHTEOUS by CHOICE

Romans 2:12

For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law;

Romans 3:23

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

Romans 5:12

Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.

Romans 5:14

Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

Romans 5:16

And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.

1 John 1:10

If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Self-righteous is not a "status" which one acquires passively, rather actively. That is, anyone that actively rejects the righteousness from God (Jesus, the Lamb from God), effectively substitutes their own righteousness for That Righteousness graciously provided by God.

Jesus did not come to call the (self) righteous, rather sinners. The self-righteous, like the whole ones that needed no physician, were abandoned to their self-righteousness remaining forever uncalled into repentance.

CALLED into REPENTANCE;

SINNERS who <u>CAUSE</u> themselves to BELIEVE are <u>CHOSEN</u>.

Matthew 9:13

But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Mark 2:17

When Jesus heard it, he saith unto them, They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Luke 5:32

I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Matthew 22:14

For many are called, but few are chosen.

A TONEMENT for ALL;

APPEASEMENT for SINS.

1 John 2:1

My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:

1 John 2:2

And he is the propitiation [atonement] for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

The Father of Jesus Christ is satisfied with the sacrifice of His Son for the sins of every single person that has ever lived or will ever live: The Son alone could (and did) satisfy-appease the Father for the sins of the whole world.

Appeasement is the purpose of Atonement: Atonement is not redemptive.

REJECTION of CHRIST is

REBELLION against THE GOSPEL'S COMMAND to BELIEVE.

Mark 1:15

And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.