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PREFACE

Who are The Sons of God? *The Bible* states The Sons of God are those who came to present themselves before God (Job 1:6). The next verse shows Satan appearing before God and The Sons of God. These Sons of God could have been angels, but the verse does not tell you. It only reveals that Satan was not a Son of God. He was distinctly separate from the others. *The Book of Revelation* reveals there are twenty-four Elders, but it does not state who they are. Many theologians believe these are *angels*, but *The Bible* doesn't tell you this, either. However, *The Bible* does reveal how you can become *a Son of God*. You will discover that it is *a condition* (becoming like God).

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INTRODUCTION

Two Different Groups of Sons of God

Amazingly, *The Bible* gives two separate definitions as to who are The Sons of God. Genesis 5 lists the human beings who were made in the likeness of God. This list extends from Adam to Noah. Cain is not listed as one who was made in God's *image*. Why is this? It is because Seth replaced Abel without any mention of Cain (Genesis 4:25-26). It seems contradictory, or is it? Those who call upon God's name or His authority are made in God's *image* (Genesis 1:26). That is your answer. It is the reason why angels, as The Sons of God, call upon God's name and His authority.

Now, you can understand why Satan is not a Son of God. He is an adversary of God. Those who seek God with *honor* and *fear* (choose to be like Him) will be accepted as Sons. This is exactly what Peter said about those who God accepts as His own, "*Then Peter opened his mouth and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that fears him and works righteousness, is accepted with him*" (Acts 10:34-35). That is all God requires for you to become one of His Sons. Christians start to be His Sons when they (you) call upon *The Name of The Lord*, which is His *word*. That is why Jesus said, "*Man shall not live by bread [food] alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God*" (Matthew 4:4).

You are adopted by God from human parents to become *a begotten son* (Ephesians 1). Jesus was The First Begotten Son of God because of His miraculous birth. The Holy Spirit was given to Jesus by God at

His birth (Luke 1:35). God's Holy Spirit can make you *Holy*, just as it made Christ Holy. Jesus, as *The Author* or the first one to be God's Son, is in the exact image of God. Others, who follow afterwards and become like Jesus, are Sons of God, also, by adoption from human parents. These two types of Sons of God are part of a process which originates from following God's word. *This process continues* until you become, literally, God's word in The Resurrection.

CHAPTER 1

WHO IS A SON OF GOD?

Job said there are Sons of God in the heavens (Job 1). Quite possibly, they are the angels who are with God rather than those who are with Satan. *Scripture* will tell you they are all *spirits* (I Kings 22:20-22). *The Bible* explains the process to become a Son of God. Since there are Sons of God in the heavens who are *spirits*, mankind can, also, become Sons of God. You need to search *the scriptures* to understand how a human can become a Son of God.

What Are Angels?

God tells you why He created the angels. *The Book of Hebrews* states how Jesus was made higher than the angels, “*Being made so much better than the angels, as he has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For to which of the angels said he at any time, You are my Son, this day have I begotten you? And again, I will be to him a Father and he shall be to me a Son?*” (Hebrews 1:4-5).

Angels and Christ, from His birth, had God’s Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ was filled with The Holy Spirit “*completely.*” The angels only had “*an earnest*” of The Holy Spirit (II Corinthians 1:22). Christ, at His

birth, was higher than the angels because He had the full measure of God's Spirit (John 3:34 and Luke 1:35).

Jesus was *The Word* and, at His *birth*, He became *The Son of God*. In fact, He was *The First Begotten Son*. Notice the difference between Jesus and the angels, "*And again, when he brings in the first begotten into the world [as flesh], he said, And let all the angels of God worship Him*" (Hebrews 1:6). Christ was *not an angel*. Since Jesus was God's Son from His human birth, the angels *worshipped* Christ as God's Son. Read about angels and their purpose, "*And of the angels he said, Who makes his angels spirits and his ministers a flame of fire*" (Hebrews 1:7). *Angels are spirits* who live forever. As spirits, they look like God who appears as a flaming fire (Hebrews 12:29). They are composed of the same spiritual substance. The reason God created the heavenly host of angels is clearly stated, "*Are they not all ministering [servants] spirits, sent forth to minister [serve] for them who shall be heirs of salvation?*" (Hebrews 1:14).

This is quite simple! Jesus was never an angel. The angels, *as spirit beings*, were to be servants and help serve God's people. That is why God said to *The Heavenly Host*, "*Let us make man in our image*" (Genesis 1:26). Remember, *as spirit beings*, angels look like God – *a flaming fire*. "*You [Jesus] have loved righteousness and hated iniquity; therefore God, even your God, has anointed you [High Priest] with the oil of gladness above His fellows*" (Hebrews 1:9).

Angels were created, by God, to be *servants* who would

grow spiritually with The Gift of The Holy Spirit. Christians are to become *Sons of God*. Becoming a *Son of God* is a *spiritual process*. Christians must go through a *spiritual development process* in order to have a *spiritual heart and mind* like God. Later, they will be *glorified* in The Resurrection.

Adoption To Spirit

You were *born* from human parents who have a carnal (human) nature. Consequently, you are destined to die. This is not easy to contemplate but it is a reality. Humans strive to *survive* just like *animals*. Just as there are different animals, humans have a variety of personalities and drives. (Read the book, *Discovering God*). Christians are to become gentle as sheep (easy to *slaughter*). Other farm animals, like goats or oxen, are more *stubborn* and will *fight* back. The *most violent beasts* are the *lions, bears and leopards*. The worst is to be like a combination of all three. This animal group depicts *The Mark of The Beast*, which is the most *violent* of them all.

This diversity of humans is a result of their birth. Jesus truly lived as a *lamb* who was willing to *sacrifice* Himself. God loves His creation. He proved His love by allowing His only Son to die for you. This kind of love is the height of *all righteousness*. *Christ loved righteousness* and was ready to be *The Savior and Husband of the church* (Revelation 5). The *Bride of Christ* must love Jesus and *The Father*. God will not allow His Son to marry a *woman* who does not love Him as He loves her (Matthew 23:37 and Revelation 19:7-8).

You must be adopted from *human parents* and become like Jesus, who is *a lover of righteousness*. God has *predestined* that everyone should become like His *Son*, who is The Exact Image of *The Father*. God is a Spirit and you need to worship Him *spiritually*. *Spirituality* is *a state of heart (desire)* and *mind*. You must get to know God and His *ways*. Israel never *learned this vital point* (Hebrews 3:10).

What God Has Predestinated

The meanings of the words “*will*” and “*desire*” in Greek are explained in this text, “*That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth; even in him*” (Ephesians 1:10 and Hebrew 1:10). God has *predestined a plan* to accomplish His *will and desire*. *This predestination is an inheritance of His glory* (Ephesians 1:1-12). God gives everyone (the whole world) *the potential to inherit all things*. There is *no time-limit*. God declares *the beginning and the end*. As a result, He will accomplish His *pleasure* through His *Holy Spirit* (Isaiah 46:10). What *a wonderful promise* and what *a loving Father!*

Prophecy Will Fail

Many view prophecy (the future being foretold) as if it is absolute and must occur on some set date. This would make human history automatic and predetermined. You must consider the fulfillment of everything God has predetermined. Those elements are His *desires* and *will*. You are about to discover, scriptur-

ally – “*prophecy is conditional.*” It allows mankind to make *choices*, so conditions may be altered. God’s *intent* and *purpose* is to give you complete free choice or liberty. The Greek *definition* for this concept implies “*no restrictions.*” Being a *Son of God* and receiving an inheritance from God when He *adopts you, is a free gift* (Galatians 4:5-7 and Romans 8:21). “*Charity [love] never fails: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away*” (I Corinthians 13:8). Pretty clear! God will give you an eternal gift – *love.*

Prophecies will fail and *knowledge* or *doctrine* will *vanish.* The Greek word for “*fail*” does not mean it will not occur, but rather “*it will cease, stop or be at rest.*” Prophecy, ultimately, *will happen,* but it will only be allowed to take place when *all conditions are met.* Then, God will take action, “*For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ’s at His coming*” (I Corinthians 15:22-23). These two verses are *full of conditions* that must be met.

The word “*all*” in Greek does not mean “*everyone until specific changes take place.*” Rather, it applies to a state which is “*all conditional.*” This is because of *free choice.* Becoming a *Son of God* is completely conditional based upon a person exercising their own *free choice.* The Greek word “*all,*” when translated into English, is in *the subjunctive mood,* grammatically. It depends upon what *the subject does.* That is *free*

choice. Ultimately, everyone is *to be saved*, but you must consider how *Salvation is an individual condition.* It is your free choice whether you trust God or not.

What is the requirement for being saved? Clearly, *The Bible* declares you must be “*In Christ.*” This declaration is a specific order for every man. What is that order? Jesus was destined to be the first, while the rest of mankind will follow. When is this? You must each, by your *free choice*, come to *repentance.* That is of *your own doing* and it is your personal *decision.* (Read *God’s Will* for more proof). The point is there is *no set date* in reference to *this prophecy.* It is *conditional* and is *on-going* into The Kingdom of God (and will last forever). God is *long-suffering* and *patient.* He is willing to *wait thousands of years* so everyone can *repent* (II Peter 3). *Prophecy* is dependent upon *free choice.*

Things Of The Spirit

Any human who is led by *the flesh* has a *carnal mind* (Romans 8:5-8). “*But you are not in the flesh, but in the spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his*” (Romans 8:9). God’s method of impregnation is through His Holy Spirit. This is God’s very seed (“*sperm*” in Greek) which makes you into *Sons of God.*

Mary was impregnated with Jesus, by being filled with The Holy Spirit (Luke 1:35). The Holy Spirit, not a *human* or an *angelic being*, is creating *Sons of*

God. *The form* that is being impregnated must receive God's Holy Spirit in order to become a Son of God. Even Jesus could not be *a Son of God* without having God's Holy Spirit. Jesus speaks God's *words* because God gave Him "*the spirit without measure*" (John 3:34) (Paraphrased). When you are begotten with God's Holy Spirit, then and only then, can you be *a Son of God*. The Keeping of *The Law* doesn't do it, nor will any *doctrine* do it.

Once God baptizes you with His Holy Spirit, an internal change begins – as with any new birth. Consequently, you are no longer totally *carnal* even though you are still *in the flesh*, "*For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God*" (Romans 8:14). There you have the biblical definition. Once you are begotten by God's Holy Spirit, you must grow into the same *perfect stature as Christ* (Ephesians 4). Perfection is *spiritual maturity*, which comes from *spiritual growth*. Every new creation goes through *a growth process*.

You begin as "*Babes – In Christ,*" but, finally, become like Jesus who is exactly like God, The Father (Hebrews 1:3). Begotten Sons of God have been given *an earnest* of their future *inheritance* (Ephesians 1:12-14).

CHAPTER 2

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Spiritual growth is a process. For example, when a person believes they can do a certain physical activity, such as driving a car, it is natural for them to believe they are as good as most people who drive. But, in reality, the untrained novice lacks experience when the unexpected happens. (Read the book, *Spiritual Growth*).

Spiritual Maturity

You must become like Jesus Christ if you are to be *saved* (Ephesians 4:12-13). The first step is to begin as a “*Babe – In Christ*.” Before you take this first step, you are *carnal* or *like an animal trying to survive*. Jesus specifies all the obstacles to spiritual growth in Matthew 13. Understandably, most people are absorbed in the cares of the world and are only interested in this life. After all, you are *born* to human parents and strive to exist. To exist at any cost, is of the most importance for every human being. Over time, some start to question the purpose of human life. When they encounter opposition or persecution, they cease to pursue the real reason for living.

Now, consider another group – the ones who pursue celebrity status, whether for money, power or fame.

To them, these things take precedence over everything else. Only *a few* seek *The True God*, His will and His purpose. As they continue growing, they begin to understand who God really is and how He thinks. *This underlying truth* motivates Christians to become more and more like Christ. They are on *The Path to Salvation* through faith. You must mature to *The Stature of Christ* (Ephesians 4).

Spiritual Versus Fleshly

Paul warned, “*That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love and to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God and of The Father and of Christ; In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge*” (Colossians 2:2-3). This is *the spiritual formula* for discerning *The Mystery of God*, which is “*Christ – In You.*” All godly gifts come from Christ through *The Holy Spirit*. (Read the book, *Christ In You*).

Christianity is *logical*. This vital factor leads *a seeking individual* to a certain conclusion. For Christians who have *true wisdom and knowledge*, it makes sense to them. “*Does not wisdom cry? And understanding put forth her voice?*” (Proverbs 8:1). “*Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn out her seven pillars*” (Proverbs 9:1). Jacob had a dream about *a ladder containing seven steps* (metaphorically speaking). This ladder allowed *the worthy* to reach God’s house (Genesis 28:10-19). Angels were ascending and descending this ladder. They help individuals receive Salvation by showing them *the way* to The Holy House of God.

When Jesus became *The Way* to God's House, He stated, "*Verily, verily, I say to you, Hereafter you shall see heaven open [God's house] and the angels of God ascending and descending upon The Son of Man*" (John 1:51). Christ replaced Jacob as *the way* to go up *the ladder*. Jesus came to magnify *The Law* by giving it more honor (Isaiah 42:21). Jesus came to forgive you (John 1:17). Here are *the seven steps to God's house*: 1) *fear*, 2) *mercy*, 3) *wisdom*, 4) *understanding*, 5) *faith*, 6) *judgment* and 7) *love*. *Love fulfills or completes The Law* (Romans 13:10). *The Law is spiritual and is not in The Letter*. It is *magnified*, which gives it more *honor*. God's Law must be, literally, placed in *your heart and mind*. When you are no longer *carnal*, God will grant you *The Gift of Salvation*.

The New Covenant

The Old Covenant (Letter of The Law) only explained what *sin* was. *The New Covenant* put an end to *sin*. *The Law* has become *spiritual* and is now *written into your very heart, mind and nature*. God's Holy Spirit is not represented by a *spirit of fear* but by a *spirit of power through love*. It gives you a *disciplined and sound mind* (II Timothy 1:7). You begin to think *logically* when you have *no personal idols or agendas*. *Your personal desires* get confused or are questioned with *any wisdom* you may receive (Proverbs 18:1).

When you are *motivated* by what *you desire* and think is right, you may end up in a state of *confusion*. You will *lack wisdom and logic*. It is as if you are in *deep, murky waters* without the ability to *see clearly*.

When you have *no agendas* and are filled with God's *love*, you only *think* about what is *good* for God and His *creation*. At that time, you begin to have a *good heart* and *mind*. You become like running waters, which act as cleansing procedures which begin to purify your mind. This allows you to see *clearly with wisdom*.

The Sons of God think just like God. They are on the same path to *life – The Torah*. They have God's *love* and *wisdom* which allows them to make *just judgments*. Consequently, you finally know and understand what is *fair*. You are *no longer in darkness* because, "*God is light and in him is no darkness at all*" (I John 1:5). Because you are *motivated by love* (a right desire), your heart becomes like God's. Then, you can *finally walk together in agreement* (Amos 3:3). You are truly becoming *A Son of God* as you grow spiritually.

The Adoption

You have been *adopted* from *physical parents*. In the past, *survival of the fittest* was *the only necessary desire*. This is exactly like *any animal*. Are you like a *lamb, goat, ox, snake, lion, bear* or *leopard*? Or even worse, do you have tendencies to be like *The Mark of The Beast*, which is the combination of *all three: lion, bear* and *leopard*? Several murderers may have this combination. Humans and animals share many attributes. As a Christian, you must become *as a lamb*, just like Christ. *A lamb* is completely *harmless* and is even *willing to go to its death*. As long as you act like *an animal*, you *do not* know *right from wrong*. *The adoption process* takes time for an individual to become

like *a lamb*. When you have the nature of a lamb, you become an acceptable *sacrifice* to God. God calls this process *spiritual growth*. Eventually, you can have a heart and mind like God.

Human bodies are still *physical* and have all the inherent pulls *of the flesh*. However, you can become *a Son of God* when you lose some of your human traits and replace them with *spiritual traits*.

As God Is

God's Holy Spirit gives you the ability to gain power and control over your own mind (II Timothy 1:7). God's love is so powerful that it can eliminate false *fears*. Jesus warned you to "*fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell*" (Matthew 10:28). You need not fear those who can only kill your physical body. With a disciplined mind, you can finally begin to reason and discern *fact* from *fiction*.

Everyone knows that, ultimately, their bodies will die. Flesh will disintegrate and go back to the earth. Your body becomes dust and *the spirit* which made you "*a conscious being*" goes back to God, who gave you *life*, initially (Ecclesiastes 12:7). Only God has the power to give life. Yet, knowing better, you struggle at all costs trying to remain alive. If you do not believe in God, *you know you will die*. Without God, there is no hope. Yet, inherently, it makes *no sense* that there isn't more to *this present life*. Life must have a more meaningful purpose than mere existence for a person to enjoy temporal pleasures. Those who believe *life*

happened by *accident*, must have difficulty explaining the human ability to reason *logically*. You must have God's *spirit* to comprehend the facts about *reality*, as well as, *discern the difference* between *reality* and *myth* or *fiction*. Animals seem to be content merely struggling to live and perpetuate their species. Only *humans* concern themselves with *peace, joy* and *happiness*. Your mind, *logically*, goes beyond survival and reproduction to *invent* what did *not exist* before. There is a great difference between *the human kingdom* and the animal kingdom. You begin to think about how "*things*" began. You may search for *the real purpose* in your life. You observe the universe and are in awe of its vastness and its complexity. You see *order*, as well as, *destruction*. But in all of this, you continue to try to understand it. There are times when even *the atheists* and *agnostics* try to figure it all out. There are people who truly believe in God and accept His purpose for humans to become *Sons of God*.

The Sons of God continue to discover *the awesome greatness* of His universe. That is why many are willing to accept *The Words of God*. They believe in a God who existed from the beginning. Others are willing to believe in the scholars who can't remember where they put their glasses. Yet, these same scholars try to tell you what happened thousands of years ago. Both viewpoints require *faith* and belief, but *logic* dictates God is *The First Cause*. This makes much more sense than everything being an *accident of nature*. God has given humanity *the ability to reason and think logically*. What is the difference between the mind and the brain? The brain is a physiological object which

enables you to think, reason or understand. To make the brain work as a mind and be able to function requires energy from outside the body. About every one hundred years, *Science* comes up with another *theory of creation*. Every once in a while you hear about *the next “singularity”* to be discovered as the origin of how everything began.

The flesh is the problem. It is why humanity is in such a confused state. You know you exist. The saying goes, “*I think, therefore, I am.*” Hence, “*Consciousness reveals your existence.*” Your enemy is the fact that you are *human*. You are *temporary*, but, inherently, you want and seek *immortality*. Non-believers pursue fleshly or human answers. Those who have faith, believe only God can give *life*, “*For as the Father raises up the dead and quickens them; even so the Son quickens whom he will*” (John 5:21). In Greek, the word “*quicken*” means “*to give life back.*” This is very clear in English. “*The resurrection*” means “*to restore life*” (Matthew 10:28). God can give you life through His Son, Jesus.

Are you beginning to understand why God adopts you from your human parents? When mankind is left to themselves, they *die*. Only God can *restore* you to *life everlasting* after you die. That is why Solomon, the preacher, said, “*Then shall the dust [decayed body] return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return to God who gave it*” (Ecclesiastes 12:7). This means a *spiritual resurrection* must occur. You must become *spiritual* through *The Resurrection* to become a Son of God.

CHAPTER 3

FLESH IS NOTHING

Christ tells you, “*It is the spirit that quickens [makes alive]; the flesh [being human] profits nothing: the words that I speak to you, they are spirit and they are life*” (John 6:63). How much clearer can this be? Christ tells you about the condition of being human. It serves no long-term purpose or usefulness. Only what is *spiritual* is of any value for *experiencing Life Eternal*. How does this adoption, from being *a human* to becoming *a spirit*, actually take place? Jesus reveals the answer to you.

A Tabernacle

Peter said this body was only *a tent, a tabernacle or a temporary dwelling* (II Peter 1:13-15). This kind of residence conveys the idea of *an encampment or temporary dwelling*. When a person loses an arm or a leg, that person doesn't believe he/she is *dead* or even partially dead. They know they are still alive, despite the missing limb. Your bodies are *tents or temporary dwellings* in which you reside. What makes you who you really are? Your consciousness or mind reveals who and what you are. Your neurological brain system is *the source of your mind*. However, no scientist has been able to *affirm* that your brain is where your

mind dwells. God declares that it is His *spirit*, at conception, which gives you *life*. Your *body* was nourished in your mother's *womb*. *The fetus* is the beginning of your *life*. It is God's sperm, "*The Spirit – In Man*," which starts life.

This spirit energy, which is *perpetual*, continues to *energize your brain* (consciousness). This energy, by means of osmosis, triggers life with each intake of oxygen. This ignites the "*fire*" known as "*life*." The process of *these fires* igniting your *cells* to generate "*motion*" is *life*. Your *mind* bestows *the gift of reason* so you can become *a logical, rational being*. So, *the real "you"* resides in *a temporary tabernacle or tent*. Your *mind*, therefore, is *eternal or spirit*, which God gives at conception. Christ said, "*the flesh is nothing* [useless] *and only the spirit or mind is of value to God*" (John 6:63) (Paraphrased). *The flesh* will decay and go back to *dust*. However, *the spirit in your mind* is compared to a cassette tape in a recorder. Everything on that tape will be returned to you when you are resurrected.

The Spirit Is Life

You must be *adopted* from your physical life and inserted into *a spiritual life* in order to become a Son of God. Jesus said, "*That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit*" (John 3:6). Christ told the woman from Samaria, "*God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth*" (John 4:24). Christianity is *an entirely spiritual matter*. It is not accomplished through

any *human works* or *efforts*. Rather, it is *a gift!* God told Cain that *sin* lies at *the door* of his *tabernacle* (his flesh). God wanted Cain and wants everyone to *overcome sin* (Genesis 4:7). *Sin* is in *your genes*. It is *natural for the flesh to sin*. It is *a matter of survival of the fittest*. The rich man's sin was his lust for money. Although he always kept *The Commandments*, *money* was his *idol*. Jesus told him to sell everything he possessed and give it to the poor. Had he done so, he would be on his way to perfection (Matthew 19).

Whatever your *human idol* happens to be, you must put it to *death*. *The faith* which saves you requires *the death of your flesh*. Your body is of *no profit*. (Read the book, *What Is Idolatry*). *Your spirit is life*, but while residing in your human body, you continue to *sin*. God gives you *a sound mind and heart* through His *Holy Spirit* (II Timothy 1:7). You will receive *the earnest of your inheritance (adoption)* to be *The Very Son of God* (Ephesians 1:5, 10 and 14). When Christians *die* or *go to sleep* (lose their flesh), they will, at *The Resurrection*, receive *spiritual bodies* with *spiritual minds*. You will not be corruptible, but *incorruptible* with a *spiritual body, a spiritual mind and a spiritual heart* (I Corinthians 15:44). With your *spiritual mind and heart*, you will be given *a spiritual body*. You, then, will be *completely spirit* like God and Christ. You will be formed in *The Very Image of God* because you will be one of *The Sons of God!*

Flesh Is Dust

The fleshy human body is allowed to decay when it

dies. When Jesus asked a man to follow Him as one of His Disciples, the man said, “*Lord, suffer [let] me first to go and bury my father*” (Matthew 8:21). This was no simple event. The Jews regarded the body as evil and, therefore, placed the cadaver in a cave. After a year or so, they held the funeral and placed the bones in a family coffin or ossuary. This man’s father had already died, perhaps the year before. That is why Christ said, “*Follow me; and let the dead bury the dead*” (Matthew 8:22). The Jews understood *the flesh* was nothing, so they believed the fleshy part should be disposed.

In The Babylonian Mystery System (in Egypt), The Pharaoh was already considered to be *divine*. Therefore, he was preserved in order to be able to go to a Paradise. This is just the opposite from *The Truth of God*. Peter and The Apostles knew the flesh (the body) was merely *a temporary tent* or place for *The Spirit of Life* to dwell. Upon death, only *the spirit* has *the life energy*. It is perpetual since it came from God, *The Life-giver*.

This is the reason Christ said, “*God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit [spiritually] and in truth*” (John 4:24). During *The Resurrection*, once you are given *a new, spiritual body, the mind and heart* will be your new *individual self*. In this life, while you are still in *the flesh*, you begin to *spiritually mature* in your *mind and heart*. Later, with *a spiritual body*, you will be *a Son of God*. *The flesh is nothing*. Consequently, that fleshy element called “*the body*” goes back to “*the dust*.”

A Little Lower

What is an angel? David wrote, “*For you have made him [mankind] a little lower than the angels and has crowned him with glory [God’s goodness] and honor*” (Psalm 8:5). In what way is mankind *a little lower* than the angels? When God gives you His *Spirit*, you are still in the flesh, “*You made him [man] to have dominion over the works of your hands: you have put all things under his feet*” (Psalm 8:6). What a difference this is from what you may have thought. Temporarily, humans have less power because they were created lower than the angels. In The Resurrection, you will rule over *everything* including what God will create in the future.

Becoming *Sons of God* is *very significant* because humans will, eventually, have *control* and *power* over everything God has *created*. *The Kingdom of God* is not only Paradise (His rest), but it is *a continuously growing* Spiritual Kingdom. Wow! Your spiritual growth process in your human existence is of *tremendous significance* to God. Notice what Paul said about it, “*For we know that the whole creation groans and travails in pain together until now*” (Romans 8:22). Why is this? The answer is, “*For the earnest expectation of the creature waits for the manifestation of the sons of God*” (Romans 8:19).

The present universe, in all its glory and magnificence, is *finite* and *subject* to destruction. God has placed His *tent of protection* around *the earth* (the atmosphere), which is *unique* in *the solar system*. The intent was

for mankind to live in *this “tent.”* The Greeks convey *intense yearning* for the world’s *earnest expectation*. The emphasis will be placed upon believers who *wait for the adoption – from flesh to spirit*. You must seek to become God’s *Son* so you can rule with Him and His Son, Jesus. God’s *glory* is all of God’s *goodness and riches*. *The Shekinah* (Glory of God) is limitless in its *wealth and goodness*. *Spiritual growth* from God will *continue eternally* and, as Sons of God, you will be responsible for your part in *The Kingdom!* You are being trained by God to become *heirs* in The Kingdom of God. *The Gift of Eternal Life* will allow you to live in Paradise. But, *The Gift of God’s continual blessings* will multiply just as your good works continue until *Christ returns*.

Your Reward

Christ said, “*And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be*” (Revelations 22:12). You will be given *Eternal Life as a gift*. But, in *The Kingdom of God*, you will be given *rewards* according to *your works* (talents you have gained). What is *the meaning of works*? You cannot earn *Eternal Life* through *works* because *Eternal Life is a gift*. “*Works*” have to do with “*rewards in your future life*.” These rewards are experienced in God’s *Paradise of Rest* (The Household of God). It is time you investigate the meaning and value of *these works*. You may be *surprised* to see what *these works* are.

CHAPTER 4

PARABLE OF THE TALENTS

The Parable of The Ten Talents concerns a man who planned to travel to a far country. He bestowed his goods to three different individuals to oversee his property. To one servant, he gave one talent; to another, he gave two; and to another, he gave five. Eventually, the servants became responsible for The Master's goods. When the man returned, he asked each servant what they had accomplished. The one with two talents and the one with five talents had, each, doubled their value. The servant with only one talent said he was afraid to risk the one talent and he gave it back to The Master. Those who doubled their talents were made rulers over many things. He allowed them to enter into The Joy of The Lord. The servant with only one talent experienced a different outcome. The talent he was given was given to the one who had ten. What is *the lesson* or *doctrine* Christ was teaching (Matthew 25)?

God's Kingdom

The primary subject has to do with being in The Kingdom of God. The Parable, actually, covers *two major*

points: 1) *The two servants rewarded* will enter The Kingdom of God and, 2) *The other is alive*, but he is cast into *outer darkness* and is *punished* until he repents. What is this parable really about? Jesus answers, “*For to every one that has shall be given and he shall have abundance: but from him that has not shall be taken away even that which he has*” (Matthew 25:29). Please notice *the one* who received nothing, is still *alive*. No one is dead. *The two servants* who have increased *their talents* enter The Kingdom of God. What does Jesus refer to when He mentions *the talents* at His Return? Jesus compares all mankind to *sheep* and *goats* (Matthew 25:31-46). *The sheep* are divided from *the goats*. The sheep are allowed to enter into *The Kingdom of God* (Matthew 25:34). *The goats* are cast into *The Lake of Fire* (Matthew 25:41). Now, read the conclusion, “*And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal*” (Matthew 25:46). *The goats* are still *alive* after *The Lake of Fire*, but they are not allowed to have *Life Eternal* in Paradise. Instead, they must repent and continue to grow, *spiritually*, until they are ready.

This will occur after they are resurrected (life eternal). They must become *a repentant* follower, so they can grow *spiritually*. *The fire* is part of their *punishment* and they are to be placed into *outer darkness* as their continued *punishment* (Jude 13). (For all the details, read the book, *God's Will*). Are you starting to understand the difference between *Salvation* (which is a gift) and your *good works*? The good works can only give you rewards. Perhaps, with more rewards, you will be given more important work in The King-

dom. Jesus is going to reward *each person* according to his/her *works* (Revelation 22:12). Those left out of The City of New Jerusalem are *the willful sinners* (Revelation 22:13-15). The City of New Jerusalem is where The Kingdom of God stands. The ones who *blasphemed* God's Holy Spirit are left out (Matthew 12:31-32). They have *no right* to *The Tree of Life* in New Jerusalem (Revelation 22:14). The only recourse for those left out of The City of New Jerusalem is to continue drinking the waters with *the healing leaves* from *The Tree of Life*. This water gushes forth from beneath The Throne of God in New Jerusalem (Revelation 22:1-2).

The potential for *Eternal Life* in The Kingdom of God will continue for everyone. Salvation continues in The Kingdom of God (Revelation 21:5-8). In The Kingdom of God, a person can still become a Son of God when God and *The Firstfruits* rule in New Jerusalem. *The Book of Revelation* is clear about God's *purpose* for everyone to be in His *kingdom*. What are the different rewards for everyone in The Kingdom of God? How will Christ *judge* in *The White Throne Judgment*? “*For I was an hungred and you gave me meat: I was thirsty and you gave me drink: I was a stranger and you took me in: Naked and you clothed me: I was sick and you visited me: I was in prison and you came to [visited] me*” (Matthew 25:35-36).

During The White Throne Judgment, “*Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we you an hungred and fed you? Or thirsty and gave you drink? When saw we you a stranger and took you in? Or naked*

and clothed you?” (Matthew 25:37-38). Jesus answers, *“Verily I say to you, Inasmuch as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me”* (Matthew 25:45). This is *The White Throne Judgment*. Christ is clearly and simply telling you how *the world* will be *judged*. It has *nothing* to do with *sin*. It has to do with *human behavior*. Jesus said *all sins* will be *forgiven* (Matthew 12:31). Only those who rejected God’s Holy Spirit *will not be forgiven*. That is *the unpardonable sin* or *missing the mark* to be able to eat from *The Tree of Life*.

When Jesus refers to *The Ten Virgins*, He is referring to God’s *people*. Those who will not be in *The First Resurrection* are those who *do not keep growing* in God’s *Holy Spirit* (*oil for lamps*) and will not be included as Christ’s *Bride* (Matthew 25:1-13). You must put all of Matthew 25 together to comprehend the meaning of who will be in *The Kingdom of God* and how you will be *judged*. You are judged by your *spiritual growth* (earning *brownie points* during this human life). Be assured, no one is keeping tabs of all your sins. Why is this? Everyone will confess that Jesus is *Lord* (Romans 10:5-10). All will admit their *guilt* and throw themselves upon God’s *mercy* (Philippians 2:10-12). *All sins will be forgiven*. How transparent do you need it to be? It can’t be any clearer! *Some government officials* claim there is transparency when they change laws or outcomes. However, only, God tells everyone *The Complete Truth*! *The judgment* reveals God’s Holy Spirit, which leads you to *truth*. It is *the rejection* or *blasphemy* of God’s *Holy Spirit* which is *the unpardonable sin*. This summarizes *The Great Plan of God*. It is very clear and very simple.

God's *judgment* will be the fairest known to man. Christ simply states it is *the fruit* you produce that counts in *the judgment* (Matthew 12:33). *The talents* are *the treasures in your heart*. Whether you will be in The Kingdom of God has to do with what you have allowed to be *written in your heart and conscience* (Romans 8). If you are *led* by God's Holy Spirit, you will walk in God's *Holy Spirit*. Then, you become one of *The Sons of God* (Romans 8:14). God's Holy Spirit impregnates you and you become one of *The Sons of God*. You are to be in *The Womb of The Mother* (The Church of God).

The Church of God is not just *any group of people* but those who have God's *Holy Spirit*. If God's Holy Spirit is *growing "In You,"* then, you no longer live in *the flesh* but in *The Spirit*. You are *no longer a servant*, but rather *an heir and a future Son* having received an *earnest of your inheritance* (Ephesians 1). *The decision is yours*. Either continue as a Christian from the time of your *spiritual birth* or *stop your growth*. What determines your *growth*? Christ gave the simple answer, "*If you then, being evil [destructive] know how to give good gifts [talents] to your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things [talents] to them that ask him? Therefore all things whatsoever you would that men should do to you, do you even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets*" (Matthew 7:11-12). *The golden rule written in your human behavior (heart)* is what really counts. *The Works of The Law* or anything else will *not be* counted for you on your ticket to becoming *a Son of God*.

CHAPTER 5

WHAT IS GOD'S KINGDOM?

Jesus was asked a simple question by The Pharisees. They asked Him to identify when The Kingdom of God should come. Jesus said, “*The Kingdom of God comes not with observation: Neither shall they say, Lo here! Or, lo there! For, behold, the kingdom of God is within you*” (Luke 17:20-21). The Kingdom requires a spiritual change. Only Sons of God are destined to enter The Kingdom of God. Christ, standing before those Pharisees, was already in The Kingdom of God, *spiritually*.

God's House

God's *house*, His Holy Temple, is on top of a *hill* (Psalm 24). Only those who are *clean* and *righteous* are allowed into The House of God so they can receive *Salvation*. The City of New Jerusalem is where The House of God will be located. The nations that are *saved* can bring *their glory* into New Jerusalem. Once inside, they will be able to eat from The Tree of Life. *The New Earth* has many *rivers* containing *the healing leaves*. This will begin to heal those who repent and want to grow – *spiritually*. The House of God is His *rest* or *Paradise*. Salvation will continue just as God started it in The Original Garden of Eden. The King-

dom continues giving Salvation during God's and Christ's rule on The New Earth. All this takes place under The New Heavens. There are three areas or regions on The New Earth and under The New Heavens: 1) The place where God will build His *house*, 2) The location of His property which will be *The Promised Land* and, 3) The outside where *the outer darkness* or *the wilderness* will be. Those who are left outside the city must continue to grow until they reach *The Stature of Christ*. Salvation continues because God has a *loving and long-suffering nature*. Sons of God are living in New Jerusalem while *The Guests* (to *The Great Wedding Feast*) can enter New Jerusalem and eat of The Tree of Life. They bring *their glory* or *spiritual riches* into the city. *The rest* are excluded and are in *outer darkness*. They are weeping and searching for *The Way* into The Holy City.

God and Christ are *The Temple*, so those who *enter* will receive *grace* (mercy) and God's *love*. There is no *Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil*. Everyone has confessed Jesus is Lord and they *seek* God's *grace* and *truth* (John 1:17). The New Earth, with everything and everyone on it, belongs to God (Psalm 24:1). One day, everything will be of a *higher spiritual quality*. There will *no longer be any tenuous aspects* to live on The New Earth.

The Outer Court

The world you live in is a *wilderness* (*Babylon*) (I Peter 2:4-10). The inhabitants, today, decide what is *good* or *evil* on their own. They think they know *The Way*

to The Kingdom of God. You must understand how everyone has sinned and missed the mark. When these people do not have God leading them, it is almost impossible to stop sinning.

Today, *few* seek The Truth of God or repent and ask for God's Holy Spirit (Matthew 17). God's Holy Spirit leads each of you to Christ. Peter reveals Jesus is *The Chief Corner Stone* of The Holy Temple of God. Notice the result of what The Holy Spirit produces, "*You also, as lively [saved] stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ*" (I Peter 2:5). What will you be doing in The Kingdom of God? "*But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood [Sons of God], an holy nation, a peculiar people; that you should show forth the praises of him who has called you out of darkness into his marvelous light*" (I Peter 2:9). There it is!

You are to be *Priests* in The Temple of God in New Jerusalem. *The World* will be under the control of Christ, *The Chief Corner Stone* and God, *The Father* (Revelation 21:22). The Priesthood of Melchizedek will grow to become a *Holy Nation* proclaiming the praises of God, "*And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that hears say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely*" (Revelation 22:17). The supreme message can't be any clearer! *The potential for Salvation* continues in *The Kingdom of God*. Plainly, these events occur under The New Heavens and on The New Earth. *The Waters of Life* and *the healing leaves* will

flow, continually, from New Jerusalem (Revelation 22: 1-3). Now, for a prophecy, “*And there was given me a reed like to a rod [measure]: and the angel stood, saying, Rise and measure the temple of God and the altar and them that worship therein. But the court which is without the temple leave out and measure it not; for it is given to the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months*” (Revelation 11:1-2). This is *the temple* in New Jerusalem which was turned over to The Gentiles for forty-two months. The fall of *the temple* was in 70 A.D. and, then, the fall of Masada occurred in 73 A.D.

The Court of The Gentiles was not measured when The Gentiles took over *the temple* in Jerusalem. It will be enlarged according to the space needed to accommodate all The Gentiles who still have time to repent and be included. When the exact number of Gentiles is known, The Court of The Gentiles will be enlarged to accommodate them. So, if you are a Gentile, you still can reserve a place for yourself. Repent and ask God for mercy. This includes The Sons of God. The Bride will rule as Priests in The Temple.

During The Jubilee Year, *all debts* will be forgiven. Only *The Gentiles* will remain in *slavery* (Leviticus 25:45-46). The Gentiles, those without access to God and Christ, will be *eternal slaves* until they, finally, repent. They will be in *outer darkness* unless they heed the call of The Spirit and The Bride to come and drink of *the healing waters*. Once they are *no longer Gentiles* (*without* God), they can become *The Sons of God* calling upon *The Name of God* (as in Seth’s day) (Genesis

4:26). In Hebrew, *“to call upon the name of the Lord”* is defined as *“to be called by The Name of God or The Son of God.”* You have traveled full circle from Alpha to Omega (The Beginning to The End). God proclaims, *“Declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand and I will do all my pleasure”* (Isaiah 46:10). You have just read *the entire story of The Bible* in this one statement.

A New Beginning

The New Heavens and The New Earth jump-starts a *New Beginning* which has *no end*. God is making *everything qualitatively new or superior*. The Kingdom of God is not merely *The Government of God* but will be comprised of *spiritual beings* who are just like God and Christ (Hebrews 1:3). The Kingdom of God comprises an internal spiritual change. The New Heaven and The New Earth are not The Kingdom, but The Kingdom of God is on The New Earth. The Kingdom of God consists of those who are *The Sons of God*. *These sons* will be like Christ and *The Almighty Father*. The New Heavens and The New Earth are merely the staging areas for *a New Beginning* without *an end*. The New Heaven and The New Earth will be *forever* with *The Feast of God* (known as *The Horn of Plenty*). Consider, also, the fulfillment known as *The Jubilee*.

The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil will no longer exist. *Every man* will have received *his/her rewards* in *The Kingdom*. This reward will be according

to each individual's *works*. *Salvation*, however, is a *process* that is *eternal*. That is why *the whole creation* longs for *The Sons of God*. *The entire universe is in darkness*, longing for *the light*. God, The Father is "*Elohim*" but He is also "*Yahweh – Sabaoth*" or "*The I Am What I Am of All Hosts*." He is *The Only One* who loves everything and everyone in His *creation*. He will, also, love everything that He will *create* in the future.

Sons Of God

"*Two can only walk together when they are in agreement*" (Amos 3:3) (Paraphrased). The Sons of God are those who are *like God*, just like the law of "*kind after kind*." You must have *the same heart* (motives) and *mind* (wisdom and judgment). Anything less is *sin* and *misses the mark of perfection*. Jesus said, "*And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand*." Satan deceives *the world* by keeping God's *people* divided. Only *faith* or full *trust* in God's *word* through The Holy Spirit leads you to *truth*.

Love for each other will bind you as you become "*one body*." The Kingdom of God doesn't come by *observation*, rather it *resides within you* (as Christ). Only when you become a Son of God, will you be in The Kingdom of God.

When God writes His *spiritual law* in your *heart* and your *mind*, you will have *the right motivation to think* just like God. Not only is "*Christ – In You*" but God's *purpose* and *pleasure* is to be "*All In All*" (I Corinthians 15:28). You can, then, walk together with God because

you and your Father will always be in *total agreement*. Because of *this love*, God's Holy Spirit will give you *this gift*. This gift is The Promise of God which is guaranteed. His promise is to give you Paradise in His Eternal Rest. God's *plan* is to adopt you from your human parents and then circumcise your *heart* and *mind* so you can become *a Son of God*. You will be born of God. You will have *a spiritual body* with *a spiritual mind* and *heart*. There are not enough words or meanings which can fully explain the exhilaration you will feel when you are a Son of God. The Keys to The Kingdom of God will open the greatest door to gifts and rewards beyond your wildest dreams. You will find the most wondrous surprises and opportunities you could ever have imagined. All the gold in the world will not compare to *the golden gift* you will be given – Eternal Life.

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PREFACE

Who were The Magi? The Magi came from The East and brought gifts to The Newborn – Christ. This event almost seems like a fairy tale. In December, the scene is dramatized and displayed in public places and on the lawns of individual’s homes. The arrival of The Magi, biblically, is an important event concerning your Savior. It goes far beyond the simple seasonal depictions. Prophetically, the identity of The Magi is the key to the origins of all world religions.

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INTRODUCTION

In King Herod's day, there were many *wise men* who came from *The East*. This episode was recorded in Matthew 2:1. Herod, himself, wasn't surprised to hear the news about *The Coming of The Savior*. But, why would God use Gentiles to announce Christ's coming? Simon, an elderly man, was about to die.

However, prophetically, it had been promised to him that he would see The Savior before his death. This is what Simon told the parents of the newborn child, "*For mine eyes have seen your salvation, Which you have prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel*" (Luke 2:30-32). Jesus was The Messiah for the whole world (The Gentiles and The Israelites). The Magi and The Wise Men from The East came as *educated Gentiles*.

When Jesus was born and lying in the manger, *the shepherds* were the first to visit Him. The Magi saw Christ much later. *The shepherds*, after seeing *The Savior*, went everywhere announcing Christ's birth (Luke 2:8-17). The Shepherds told Israel about The Birth of Christ. *The Magi* were Gentiles and represented the rest of the world. Do you really understand the importance of these *two witnesses*? The Magi and The Shepherds are the two witnesses of The Messiah's birth. Both were *lights* or *witnesses* of Christ's coming. Many scholars are aware that when The Messiah was born, Israel was ready for this event. Israel knew He was coming. It is amazing how the world, without God, expected *a redeemer* to come. The Magi validated that *truth*.

The Wise And The Pagans

Pagans spend a great deal of their time worshipping idols. Some Christians know very little about *The Truth of God* while others know it very well. The Hindus believe in Nirvana, which is “*becoming one with the universe.*” Buddhism, *through mind control*, reaches a certain *spiritual dimension*. The Chinese and Japanese pray to their dead ancestors on an annual basis. *The truth* about a Messiah has been known from the beginning.

In Christ’s day, there were three classes of people: 1) God’s chosen people (Israel), 2) The Greeks who were educated and, 3) The Pagans (the uneducated ones). The world viewed those who lived in the cities as being wise and educated (this applied both to The Jews and The Greeks).

It did not mean that The Pagans were without God. The definition of “*Pagan*” in Greek is “*country people.*” Country people, usually, were located too far away to attend the schools in the cities. Because of this, they were regarded as “*Pagans,*” meaning they were “*illiterate and uneducated.*” They never had a chance to be educated in school. Therefore, they were known as *the ignorant*.

In reality, this was somewhat different. Some never went to school but were educated through their *religion*. With all its rituals and sacraments, The Pagans believed in a certain *philosophy of life*. In fact, the word “*religion*” was viewed as one’s faith according to what they understood. The knowledge they had was derived from their religion. This religion was called

Gnosticism. “*Gnostic*” in Greek merely means “*higher spiritual knowledge*.” There were Egyptian Gnostics, Jewish Gnostics, Asian Gnostics, Indian Gnostics and many more.

Gnosticism was not *a religion*, rather it was *a philosophy of life*. Just as colleges and universities have *philosophy classes*, The Jews, Greeks and Pagans also had philosophy classes in their schools. In the cities, during Christ’s time, Gnostics were considered to be from schools of higher learning. *The Pagans* were educated through their religions and their rituals were conducted by a Priesthood.

There were three separate classes of people. The three classes were The Jews, The Greeks and The Pagans. They all knew of *The One God* who created everything. This God was known as *The SkyGod* who lived in the heavens with a variety of names given by different groups. They knew about *man’s depravity* since it was believed by both The Greeks and The Pagans. Everyone had the need for a Redeemer/Savior. Their need came from man’s sinning ways. All three groups had an eschatology, which is *the fulfillment* (or “*pleroma*”) *of an end-time prophecy*. This contained a great deal of truth and was accepted by these *three schools of thought*. The key ingredient in all of this was known as *The Word*. “*Pleroma*” in Greek is “*the fulfillment*.”

How did these Gnostic *schools of knowledge* begin? The Magi (The Wise) were part of The School of Gnostics. So, you have The Shepherds who heralded the arrival of their Messiah to Israel and you, also, have this mysterious group called The Magi.

Rome inherited their own form of Gnostic beliefs from The Greeks, who in turn received their knowledge from Babylon. The Babylonians gained their knowledge of Gnosticism from the very beginning in The Garden of Eden. The offspring of Cain altered *the truth*.

This book is about the origin of two great mysteries. One is The Mystery of The One True God and the second is The Mystery of Babylon. Both include the truth about The One True God. These mysteries, however, follow different paths. Amazingly, all world religions came from these two mysteries. Many Christian *denominations* have their genesis in these mysteries. In short, the schools were the source of revelation about these two philosophies.

The foundational knowledge of The Gnostics gave birth to all man-made religions. Synergism is the doctrine that mankind will cooperate with The Holy Spirit in the work of regeneration. It is scary how Jesus, in The Olivet Prophecy, warned the elect can, also, be fooled (deceived).

CHAPTER 1

DANIEL'S WISE MEN

When The Prophet Daniel was taken captive by Nebuchadnezzar of Neo-Babylon, his wisdom and intellect were noticed by The King. Consequently, Daniel was placed with a very élite group of people. Who were these people?

The Wise

The King of Babylon asked the master in charge of his eunuchs to select the highest level of noble children from the captive Israelites. The King commanded, “*Children in whom was no blemish but well favored and skillful in all wisdom and cunning in knowledge and understanding science and such as had ability in them to stand in the king’s palace and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans*” (Daniel 1:4). This was quite a vital pre-requisite. Chaldeans were *a religious educated sect* like The Pharisees.

The chosen individuals had to have courtly manners, a good appearance, a cheerful personality, common sense, wisdom and intelligence. They were required to have a good comprehension and understanding of Science, as well as excellent, sophisticated behavior. They chose the best and the smartest of a nation. They were the wise or the élite of The Empire. At that

time, God intervened and gave Daniel and his three friends, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego some divine knowledge in wisdom and understanding (Daniel 1:17). They were considered *spiritually knowledgeable*. The world believed *the gods* fought each other to prove which “god” was *the most powerful*.

Besides having human knowledge and wisdom, God gave them *divine intelligence*. Look at how much smarter they were than the nation’s other élite or *wise men*, “*And in all matters of wisdom and understanding, that the king enquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm [kingdom]*” (Daniel 1:20). These were *the wise* of Babylon, which included the magicians and astrologers. With their mystical mixtures and combinations, they were considered knowing more than the others. These individuals were the king’s or ruler’s *personal guardians and cabinet members*.

The Elite

King Nebuchadnezzar was a Polytheist. He believed in many *gods* and, therefore, didn’t know which “god” was the strongest or had the most power. The king accepted all *gods*, just as those at The Tower of Babel did. He had no idea there was only *One Almighty God, Elohim*. When Daniel revealed the true meaning of his dream, Nebuchadnezzar said, “*The king answered to Daniel and said, Of a truth it is, that your God is a God of gods and a Lord of kings and a revealer of secrets, seeing you could reveal this secret [mystery]*” (Daniel 2:47). The King believed that Daniel’s God

was stronger than the other gods. This was because Daniel's God revealed secrets no one else knew. The King still believed in all the other gods, but began to realize that Daniel's God was *the strongest*.

Nebuchadnezzar's *wise men, the elite* of his empire, believed in many gods. He accepted them because everyone thought *the elite* knew more than anyone else. This same situation occurred at The Tower of Babel where many gods were worshipped. Paul said The Babylonians worshipped *the creation* instead of *the creator* (Romans 1:22-25). At that time, anyone who knew about the gods were considered *wise*. But, in *The Bible*, God called them *foolish*.

The One God Lesson

As *the empire* grew and became greater than other nations, King Nebuchadnezzar thought of himself as one of *the gods*. Daniel warned him to believe, only, in The One True God and worship Him, alone. But, Nebuchadnezzar did not listen.

The King's ego and vanity went to his head, so God caused him to lose his mind. As a result, The King ended up wandering, in the wilderness, like an animal for seven years. After seven years, The King's mind became sound again and his empire was restored (Daniel 4). Here is the lesson he learned, "*And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes to heaven and mine understanding returned to me and I blessed the most High and I praised and honored him that lives for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting do-*

minion and his kingdom is from generation to generation" (Daniel 4:34). The King finally acknowledged that Daniel's God, known as *The SkyGod*, was the greatest and the ever-living God. He still believed in many gods, but he knew Daniel's God was *the greatest*.

Nebuchadnezzar still accepted his *wise men, the élite* (The Magi and the astrologers). However, he regarded Daniel's God as *The One True God*. This was the world's belief system from The Tower of Babel. It is the same general situation as today. The contemporary world accepts all religions with their gods, even though they knew The One God. *Science* has replaced the need for God or any other *gods*.

The world doesn't believe or even need or want God. Science has engulfed the minds of mankind and causes people to *worship themselves*. That is exactly what *Satan* told Eve, "*For God does know that in the day you eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened and you shall be as gods, knowing good and evil*" (Genesis 3:5). It can't be any clearer!

Satan's primary purpose was to get mankind to honor and *worship themselves* instead of God. Satan, also, wanted them to look to him as *a god*. Thinking too highly of oneself is exactly what God warned them not to do at The Tower of Babel in Babylon, "*And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do*" (Genesis 11:6). Science (human science) is predicated upon *mathematical probability*, which is only "a

guess.” As such, Science has become *the god of this world*. Many feel there is no longer a need for *The One True SkyGod*. Like any Science originating from human guesses, they come to conclusions by long-term experience. *The élite* or *wise men* of today rule by Science, so the real God is no longer in the equation. In Science, *only those who are knowledgeable are the élite or wise men*.

The Ignorant

Most people feel life has no real purpose after death. Those with Scientific *understanding* are considered *the élite* and *truly wise of the earth*. The world (as at The Tower of Babel) now has goals of *globalizing* everything and having *a one-world government* which will be ruled by *the wise* or *the élite*. They are the ones who feel they know better than everyone else. They believe this One-World Government is the solution to all the world's problems. This belief began at The Tower of Babel.

The rest of the world, outside this élite group of the wise, is considered to be *the ignorant*. The ignorant seem to need religion with its mysticism. So few seem to have any clear answers to life. That is why individuals must be allowed to worship as many gods or religions as they choose. However, only the wise élite of the earth are destined to lead the world. The pagans are the unlearned who follow *rituals* and do not know their meaning.

Since the majority of the world is *ignorant*, wise in-

dividuals will not listen to them or their street-smart wisdom. The *élite* do not think *the ignorant* are logical. Their own *logic* includes *magic, astrology, witchcraft* and any form of religion as presented by their *wise leaders*. They will follow those individuals as their *Saviors* or *world leaders* if those leaders produce safety and a livelihood for them.

The Fools

“The fool has said in his heart, There is no God” (Psalm 14:1). *The élite* of the world *depend upon humanity with its Science of creating gods*. Conversely, they call those who believe in The One True God *“a fool.”* *“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge [doctrine]: but fools despise wisdom [logic] and instruction [understanding and comprehension]”* (Proverbs 1:7).

There are three groups of people:

- 1) The ignorant
- 2) The foolish
- 3) The truly wise

The ignorant don't care about these issues, because they are too interested in their pleasures or making a livelihood. *The fools* ignore God and, therefore, *seek only human knowledge*. They consider themselves to be *the élite* or the only wise ones. Those who are *truly wise* do not seek *human wisdom* and *understanding*, but rather, they *fear* God and look to Him for *wisdom*

and *understanding*. In this world, *the fools*, those who have no God, choose to call themselves *the élite* or *the wise*. They rule the rest of humanity by allowing them to believe in any god they choose. God calls these mixed or divided groups "*unlearned*," since every individual has a different viewpoint. No divided nation can stand. Therefore, *the élite* of the world want to rule everyone. They want to be masters over slaves. They feel they know what is best.

God discloses who is truly wise and who understands Godly knowledge. Is it *the ignorant fools* (the world) who have *no god*?

CHAPTER 2

WHAT IS THE GODHEAD?

When Paul preached to The Athenians, he knew they believed in many *gods*. Out of all the idols, featured upon Mars Hill, Paul chose *one idol* that had been dedicated to *The Unknown God* (Acts 17:19-23). The philosophers asked Paul about the identity of this *new doctrine* or *teaching*. These people *did not know The One True God*. They were taught and believed in many gods.

A Discipline

Those who attend schools, especially at the college and university level, generally choose *a discipline*. It is their major area of concentration and it is called their *major*. A discipline is a focus upon one major subject area like Biology, Economics, Sociology, etc. It is where a student's personal interest lies and will consume the majority of his/her study time.

Educational institutions, especially universities, have many disciplines to pursue, while colleges only offer a few. Most of these institutions have *a major flaw* in their methodology of teaching. Their doctrinal study begins at too high a level. They skip major steps necessary to go further. Therefore, many students do not

truly understand the *basics* of their *discipline* or *major*. The teachers do not start at the beginning of a subject or at its original source.

Take Cosmology for example, which is the study of the universe and how it works. The true subject of beginning with a first cause, which is the conscious Supreme Energy Field (God who started everything), is never approached. They are still searching for a *beginning* or The Mother of All Theories. Evolutionists are, also, guilty of *this educational flaw*. To master different mathematical realities from the beginning without, initially, proving a first cause is foolishness. Religions make the same mistake. They begin with a doctrine, which is a teaching that may be true, but it is not in context with a first cause. Understanding doctrine and how it is applied or meant to be used requires learning about a subject from its very beginning. Paul knew this truth, so he began with the question, “*Who is God?*” He knew The Athenians did not know the answer, so God gave him *the wisdom* to start at the beginning. Doctrinal differences need to be resolved, not from some point of understanding, but always from its beginning, which is *The Torah*.

Torah – A Way And A Path

Most theologians and Christians begin their Christian “*education*” with Moses. *The Torah*, which is a teaching, began thousands of years before Moses. Many are, religiously, educated through the doctrines of *The Old Covenant* or *The Law of Moses* (which was only meant for Israel) (Deuteronomy 5:3). To start there and

continue to *The New Covenant* is ludicrous. *The Torah* begins with Genesis 1:1, “*In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth*” (Genesis 1:1).

“*God*” in Hebrew comes from the word “*Elohim*.” Who is *Elohim*? Until you can, biblically, understand *who Elohim is*, you have no reasonable foundation to start your theological studies. It is the first teaching or doctrine in *The Torah*. This event took place thousands of years before Moses and *The Old Covenant*.

Kindergarten

In German, the meaning of “*kindergarten*” is “*the level at which a child starts school*.” In English, this word means “*a child’s garden*.” In kindergarten, the teacher may use pictures and blocks to explain a lesson. God was the first to use this method. God’s first writings were in pictures and His creation is the prime example. “*For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse*” (Romans 1:20). This is the source of all written alphabets.

This verse lays out God’s entire teaching *methodology*. God teaches through *pictures* or *symbols* of His creation (the first form of writing). This is why, in all cultures – worldwide – you find pictures in caves and on cliffs. In Paleolithic times, this was the only method of writing. It was something which everyone could understand through their own life experiences. What was God’s purpose? God’s intention was

to *create man in His image* (Genesis 1:26). The goal for mankind was to emulate or become like God or as Paul said, “*Even his eternal power and Godhead.*” The word “*Godhead*” in Greek suggests “*one’s personality, thought and power.*” You are to be formed in God’s express *image* (Hebrews 1:3). Christ is your example. There is no greater power. God is *The Creator of All Things* (Hebrews 3:4). God is everything and anything He chooses to be. Little by little, you can begin to comprehend *The Godhead*. This lesson includes God’s complete personality and never includes any other *gods*. Satan made that mistake with Eve. Elohim, being *plural*, is not to be misinterpreted into meaning many man-made gods. *Elohim* is the *multiplicity of God as The Creator*. “*Elohim,*” in its *verb form*, is *singular* or “*one being with multiple aspects and many attributes.*” There is only one God-being, but He is all that was in the unknown past, is today and will be in all of your tomorrows. He is infinity.

God has one name, “*JHVH,*” which is “*The I Am.*” He is whatever He chooses to be. God has many *titles* such as *Elohim, The Almighty Creator and God of Everything*. God has *many powers and personalities*. He is without end. God is, therefore, *LORD* or *Master* of everyone and all things since He created everything. Now, it is clear why God is called “*Elohim*” (Genesis 1:1). In the beginning, He revealed His process of *creation*. He is *Elohim, The Creator*. He is creating mankind and is *The Master Rabbi – Master Teacher*. As He teaches with the heavenly host as assistants, He is your *Master*. Consequently, His creations are *slaves* who grow to be willing to die for Him.

Godhead – A Being

Because God created the universe, mankind, on its own without The Master Teacher, began to *think* the creation was divine or a product of *the gods*. They knew and held The Truth of God in *unrighteousness* (Romans 1:18). What did they do? “*Who changed the truth of God into a lie and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen*” (Romans 1:25). “*And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient*” (Romans 1:28). This can’t be stated any clearer.

Because they chose to follow God’s earthly and universal creation, they performed actions that could never make them like *a god*. In fact, their *doctrines* became *perverted* so they could *worship* from their own *imagination*s instead of getting to know The One God. This was a major, worldwide problem which started at the time of *The Tower of Babel* (Genesis 11:6-7). All this *human reasoning* (through one’s human nature) became *Babylon, The Great Whore*. They were *a divided and a mixed* people. To keep them from annihilating each other, God *divided the nations* according to their own *inheritance* (Deuteronomy 32:8).

The plurality of God has always confused mankind. Since God is whatever He chooses to be as *a separate being* and *personality*, humanity imagined *The One God* as being many gods, which are revealed by His Creation. This is *The Origin of Polytheism*, which

consists of many gods. God's *purpose* is to be *All In All*, so everything and everyone is "God" in that sense (I Corinthians 15:28). That, in *the carnal mind*, means there are many gods. God as *Master Rabbi (teacher)* becomes unknown as *The Mystery of God*. This is opposed to *The Mystery of Babylon*, which is a *divided people* with many gods and many *doctrines*. They were taught *knowledge*, which only led to *confusion*. These *two mysteries*, The Mystery of God and The Mystery of Babylon, ended in conflict once Adam and Eve lost entrance to God's *schoolhouse* (The Garden of Eden). The Tree of Life, which offered God's Holy Spirit, was lost.

Knowledge, gnosis or gnosticism, was, then, divided and continued to become *a worldwide pandemic* creating different religions which worshipped multiple gods. These gods, human or otherwise, are continually created by man's *imagination*. Babylon became the wise and the élite of the world. Human reasoning and logic became their own god. They worshipped themselves.

God and His *Godhead*, which is *the plurality* of His total *power* and *personality*, now changes from *The Truth of One God* with *all power* as "Elohim" into many man-made gods. Even *wisdom* and *knowledge* become *separate gods* worthy of worship.

CHAPTER 3

THE MASTER AND GOD

Jesus talked to His Disciples and the people about their leadership (Matthew 23:7-11). He said that the scribes and Pharisees sat in Moses' seat (Matthew 23:1-2). Then, He warned them that their teachers love to be called "*Rabbi, Rabbi.*" "*But be not you called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all you are brethren. And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven. Neither be you called masters: for one is your Master, even, Christ. But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant*" (Matthew 23:8-11). This is quite a change in God's original methodology of teaching. This avenue of teaching points you to God as your *Master Rabbi*. Now, Christ is *The Master Teacher*. How could this be?

A Marriage

The Law of Moses defines marriage as being either of Baal or a Master (Deuteronomy 24:1). A Master becomes The Lord or *owner* of a specified property. Therefore, he becomes responsible to care for and protect his land and possessions. God reveals something very important. He created *the earth* and everything

in it, so He is *married* to it and everyone on it (Psalm 24:1). The first thing God built was a Garden where He could dwell with His *wife*. He built everything in His garden in *a very good way* so it would be Holy (Genesis 1:31). It took Him six days to build it and, then, He rested The Seventh Day and made it *Holy*. His work was *perfect* and God considered it very good (Genesis 1:31).

This House of God, the property and everything in it was *Holy*, including Adam and Eve. There was *no sin or flaws*. When Adam and Eve *sinned* by rejecting their husband (God), He expelled them from The Garden where The Tree of Life was located. Consequently, they were divorced just as *The Law* permits. In order for God to *remarry* them, they had to *die* according to *The Law*. Once they died, He could *resurrect* them and *remarry* them. That is why “*it is appointed to men once to die, but after this the judgment* [follows]” (Hebrews 9:27). *The Judgment* will determine who is *worthy to live in New Jerusalem* (The House of God – The Holy Temple).

God's Great House

Paul wrote to Timothy, “*But in a great house* [earth] *there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour and some to dishonour. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel to honour, sanctified and meet for the master's* [husbands] *use and prepared to every good work*” (II Timothy 2:20-21). This is *the whole gospel* as it was preached in The Garden of Eden. When Adam

and Eve chose to learn on their own without God as their husband, they became *Bachelors* to be remarried later according to *The Law*. They chose to learn *good* and *evil* by means of their personal human experience. At that time, Adam and Eve were going for a *Bachelor's Degree* of their own choosing. They were no longer under a Master as their husband. They were divorced and free to do whatever they wanted.

Since they chose by their *free choice* to become single (unmarried) and follow their *human nature*, they were required to get a *new teacher* (as a husband) to further their *education*. A *promised seed*, a *new husband*, according to *The Law*, had to be found. *The Law of God* permits, “*And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's wife*” (Deuteronomy 24:2). When Boaz married Ruth, a pagan, she became an Israelite within King David's family.

That is why this *seed* (future son) shall have an enemy, Satan, who will *seek* to destroy Adam and Eve's children. “*And I [God] will put enmity between you [Satan] and the woman and between your seed and her seed; it shall bruise your head and you shall bruise his heel*” (Genesis 3:15). Satan will stop deceiving when Christ returns to the earth.

Law, Grace And Truth

The Bible is as The Muslims say, “*A Book of The People.*” From The Garden, human history follows a very long and winding course until *The Birth of Jesus*. Finally, *The Promised Seed* (God's Son) will come.

At His birth, the angels announced Christ's purpose, "*Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men*" (Luke 2:14). At last, the time of their Messiah was at hand. What was promised in The Garden was now ready to take place. *The last days* began. God's *light to the world*, which was God's goodness, was restored (Exodus 33). Christ was *the restored light to the world* (John 1:9).

A drastic change in *The Law* was to transpire, "*For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ*" (John 1:17). The Word of God came through Jesus Christ. Christ was The Messiah. Until Jesus' birth, Israel (Judah) had a different Master Teacher. "*Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith*" (Galatians 3:24). Before Jacob's death, he stated in his will, for The Jews to keep *the scepter* (government of David) and to be *the teachers* or *Rabbis* of *The Law* (Genesis 49:10).

That is why Jesus said to the woman from Samaria, "*You worship you know not what: we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews*" (John 4:22). Then, Christ announced a change in *The Law* and the inauguration of a new Master Teacher. "*But the hour comes, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeks such to worship him*" (John 4:23). This was the end of *The Jews* being *Rabbis* or The Master Teachers of *The Law* and succeeding The Throne of David. *The Messiah* took over. The full change came with *the fall* of The Temple in 70 A.D. Why was this? The disaster

meant that The Jews could no longer keep *The Old Covenant* in its entirety, as *The Law* demanded (James 2:10).

Christ replaced *The Rabbis* as teachers of *The Law*. Jesus, from this point forward, was *The New Master* for The Bride of Christ (Matthew 23). He is *The Groom*. *The Law of Moses* was their *master* or *husband* until then. The Jews were the ones disclosing *The Road to Christ*. Israel had *a new husband*, as *The Law* permitted. The Messiah came to *marry* God's people who were *divorced* in The Garden episode.

Now Jesus, as their husband, could be their *Master Teacher* and *protector* by teaching them *The Spirit of The Law*. He was ordained to *magnify The Law* and make it *more honorable* so they could *live* in God's house as *honorable vessels of gold* (Isaiah 42:21).

A Spiritual House

As Jesus foretold, God wants to be worshipped – spiritually. This is because God is *a spirit*. As Sons of God, you must become Spirit in God's *image* with all of God's *glory*.

Jesus fulfilled *The Law* by keeping it “*perfectly*” (without sin) and died for all mankind. Thus, He freed Israel and The Gentiles so they could become His Bride. From that time forward, God had two groups of people witnessing to the world (Israel and The Gentiles).

As The Author of your Salvation, Christ is your ex-

ample for you to follow as your Master or Rabbi (Hebrews 12:2). Furthermore, He is your teacher through God's Holy Spirit (Romans 8). Jesus is The Chief Cornerstone of The House of God and you, too, will be "*a lively stone*" in this spiritual temple (I Peter 2:5). Israel and The Gentiles are to become The Spiritual Temple of God (I Corinthians 3:11-16).

The Godhead Defined

Just as Moses was intended to lead his people to Christ by means of *The Law*, Christ as The Author will lead you to God. The Messiah reveals that He goes to God to prepare a place in His Father's Mansion for you (John 14:2). Then He tells Philip, "*Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake*" (John 14:11). Christ then promises that He will send you God's Holy Spirit. This Spirit will teach Christians "*The Truth*" so they can, finally, become *One with Christ and The Father* (John 14:20).

Christ, through The Holy Spirit, will lead you to *The Truth* to become "*One – In Christ*" with God who built everything (Hebrews 3:1-4). Consequently, you can, now, be part of The Godhead. Paul states that Jesus is in the fullness of The Godhead and that is what The Godhead is all about. The invisible things of God are understood through the visible things in God's creation. This comes through *the very power* of The Godhead (Romans 1:20). Mankind is without excuse.

Isaiah defines The Godhead this way, "*Seek you the*

LORD while he may be found” (Isaiah 55:6). You are told to get rid of wickedness and the unrighteous thoughts of man. God’s thoughts are not your thoughts because, as the heavens are higher than the earth, God’s *thoughts* are higher than your thoughts (Isaiah 55:8-9).

The Godhead is all of God’s power, thoughts and ways. The Godhead is the totality of God’s attributes, which are in His mind. This is God’s way of thinking and behaving.

The Godhead consists of *The Almighty, The Elohim*, who builds *all things*. This is not to be worshipped as mini-gods or divine *personalities*. *The Godhead* is all that God is and represents His very *power*. Now you can understand why God or *Elohim* created everything. Christ was not The Godhead as a separate personality, but rather He was in God’s *mind* as The Word of God. God’s “*word*” became “*Christ in the flesh*.” Christ was all of God’s *glory* and *goodness*.

The Godhead is all that God was, is and can be. He is *JHVH, The I Am* or *whatever He chooses to be*.

CHAPTER 4

GOD'S FULLNESS OR COMPLETENESS

In the beginning, Elohim (God) created the heavens and the earth (Genesis 1:1). From the genesis of the heaven and earth, God was called "*Elohim.*" This Hebrew word was the spark that instigated Polytheism.

Who Is Elohim?

The word "*Elohim*" in Hebrew has *a plural meaning*. What does *the plurality* refer to? Does Elohim mean there is more than *one* God or does it reveal *The Multifaceted Nature of God?*

Most scholars agree that God's name in Hebrew is "*JHVH*" or "*The I Am.*" Many of God's other names are titles addressing His *multiplicity of abilities* or attributes. Some say God consists of many gods. Others say He is a separate personality. This is the great debate posed by all religions. Scripturally, God uses His *different titles* in reference to *particular events*.

Some worship God, as *many gods*, while others believe God is *Only One God* with many abilities, attributes and powers. Who is right? These questions are vital in understanding The Magi and The Birth of Christ. The issue of *Polytheism* has been resolved with there being only *One God*. Consequently, the truth becomes

apparent. You now know The Godhead is all that God is, which is Only One God. With this in mind, who is Elohim?

From the beginning, the people of the world living in The Time of The Tower of Babel knew *the truth*, but they held, believed and used *the truth in an unrighteous way*. It was *unrighteous* because they worshipped *the creation* instead of *The Creator* (Romans 1).

The Creator is One God, not two, three or any other number. Polytheism was a Roman *error of worship*. God's name, *JHVH*, reveals part of the answer. "*JHVH*" is "*The I Am.*" That, in itself, precludes multiplicity. Elohim and God's name, *JHVH*, define more than one. As written, *the verb form* of Elohim is *singular*. Everything that is, was, or can be, is in The One God, The Father.

God And His Voice

Jesus made a supremely important declaration, "*And the Father [God] himself, which has sent me, has borne witness of me. You have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape*" (John 5:37). Christ clearly said that, "*If you had known me, you should have known my Father also; and from henceforth you know him and have seen him*" (John 14:7). What did He mean?

In addition, He said that at no time has anyone seen or heard God's *voice*. This is quite a mystery! It is *The Mystery of God*. Biblically, The Mystery is about "*Christ— In You*" (Colossians 1:27).

You must put together everything that has been proven so far. God's *image* (as a being) and voice have not been seen or heard by anyone. Christ is "*In God, The Father,*" and now God's *mystery* has been revealed as "*Christ – In You.*" By seeing and hearing a true Christian, you can begin to know the identity of Jesus. Therefore, an individual can know who God is, by knowing who Jesus is. The answer to *the dilemma of Polytheism* starts to become clear.

The Messiah answers the question, "*And I will pray the Father and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever: Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it sees him not, neither knows him: but you know him: for he dwells with you and shall be in you...Yet a little while and the world sees me no more, but you see me: because I live, you shall live also* [resurrection]. *At that day* [resurrection] *you shall know that I am in my Father and you in me, and I in you*" (John 14:16-20). There it is! God has revealed The Mystery to repentant Christians.

God is not *a trinity*, rather God can dwell in Jesus and Christians through His Holy Spirit. This is so simple! This is what God said He would do in the beginning, "*And God said, Let us make man in our image*" (Genesis 1:26). "*Who being the brightness of his glory and the express image of his person and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged* [cleansed] *our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high*" (Hebrews 1:3).

These texts are monumental to analyze and grasp.

But, when you have prayed to understand, these texts completely solve this conundrum. Does God consist of many Gods or just one? Can Polytheism be the truth when it is presented as *the trinity*? No! The answer in *The Book of Hebrews* simply states that God is one being. However, there is more. You can be like Him, in His likeness but, still, a separate being.

Notice how, by being like Jesus, you are, also, like God and in His *express image*. “Image” in Greek refers to “character.” It is beyond *an appearance or likeness*. It is being *of the same nature and mind or way of thinking*. At the same time, in The Resurrection, you will be in The Glory of God (“*doxa*” in Greek). It is a state of being with all of God’s *goodness and Holiness*. Then, God will be All In All (I Corinthians 15:28). Everyone will be *One with God*.

The English word for “God” in Greek is “*hypostasis*.” It means “*to stand under as a foundational substance*.” In Science it is known as “*a singularity*.” God is *the rock, foundationally*, with Jesus as *The Chief Cornerstone*. You are built upon Christ and Christ is built upon God – thus making all “*One*.” This is plain, simple and clear! Just as any father has the same DNA as *the child*. So does The Family of God have the same DNA.

God is not three Gods “*in one*,” but everyone is in *the bosom* of God (John 1:18). That is why Paul said, “*Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named*” (Ephesians 3:15). In Greek, the word “*family*” is “*patria*,” or “*Father*.” God *created* everyone. You are from

the bosom of God like *Eve* was from *Adam*. What God has joined together, let not man put asunder (divide).

God is your Father because He *adopted* you from human parents and you become His *very sons* like Jesus (Ephesians 1:5). Your Savior clearly told you Jesus is your *Master* or *Rabbi* and only God in heaven is your *real Father* (Matthew 23:8-9). Jesus said, "God is *everyone's Father*." You and all others are *the brothers* or *the sisters of Jesus*. Christ told His mother, brothers and sisters, "And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren! For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother and sister and mother" (Matthew 12:49-50). Was Jesus indifferent to His earthly family? No, He wasn't. Rather, He was revealing that God sent Christ to save you (I John 4:14). Jesus came to *Save The World*, which means you have the opportunity to become a Brother or Sister of His and, also, to become The Sons of God. This is possible "*In Christ*."

All this should be getting clearer and simpler. God is not *a trinity*, but rather He is *one person* and everyone is within His *bosom*. This allows them to be His *family* as Sons of God. God is not two, three or more gods. He wants you to be like Him "*kind after kind*."

Everyone is to be an individual and *separate beings* but in God's likeness in *every way* (your thoughts and very mind). All your experiences makes you special and unique. Jesus obeyed and *honored* His earthly mother when He told her at The Wedding Feast, "*Woman* [His

Mother], *what have I to do with you? Mine hour is not yet come. His mother said to the servants, Whatsoever he says to you, do it*" (John 2:4-5). Not only did Jesus disagree with His mother, but, also, she seemed to discern what He meant. The answer is given in another text, "*When Jesus therefore saw his mother and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he said to his mother. Woman, behold your son! Then said he to the disciple, Behold your mother! And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home*" (John 19:26-27). How beautiful is this account? Jesus always honored His earthly mother and father and His Heavenly Father. When Mary, His mother became a widow, He knew she needed to be cared for. So, He passed the responsibility to the loved Disciple, who was His brother "*in spirit.*"

Jesus understood some awesome unknown *truth* by including anyone and everyone who wants to do God's *will*. What did *The Messiah* know about human existence and God's predestinated purpose? How is *a human physical existence* different from *a spiritual existence*?

CHAPTER 5

A THEOPHANY

Why didn't people recognize Jesus after His Resurrection? Mary, also, did not recognize Him, nor did anyone else. As they walked to Emmaus (a village some distance from Jerusalem), His own Disciples didn't know Him until He told them who He was. Scholars call this phenomenon "*a theophany.*"

A Likeness

John's *gospel* makes a startling disclosure about the state of being *human*. "*It is the spirit that quickens [gives life]; the flesh profits nothing: the words that I speak to you, they are spirit and they are life*" (John 6:63). Your body is of *no use*, since *the words that Jesus speaks can save you and give you Eternal Life*. Human bodies are much like a phantom or ghost because the body, itself, is temporary.

Your human body is only in the form of *an image* (Genesis 1:26). The Hebrew word for "*image*" means "*a shadow*" or "*ghost.*" Your body is merely a shadow and is not *a reality*. An *idol* is, also, *an image*, but it has deeper negative qualities. If you are worshipping any type of idol (fame, power or leaders), it is *not* God. Since it is not God, then *the idol*, is of no benefit to

you. Jesus told His Disciples that human bodies are useless. The body can do nothing profitable for Salvation. Rather, *the words* He spoke could give *Salvation (life)*. He was *the word* – God's word (Deuteronomy 18). Your human bodies are only tabernacles (where God gave "*The Spirit In Man*" – *your intelligence*). Jesus, was God in the flesh. He was represented as "*a theophany*." That is why He told Philip, "*Have I been so long time with you [3 years] and yet have you not known me, Philip? He that has seen me has seen the Father; and how say you then, Show us the Father?*" (John 14:9). It was The Holy Spirit, which was God's power "*In Christ*."

Since Christ, spiritually, was just like *The Father*, He was *a theophany* of The Father. Peter explained how his own body was only a tabernacle or tent which was temporary. Soon Peter would give up his useless house, just like The Body of Christ (II Peter 1:13-14).

Doubting Thomas and The Apostles did not recognize Jesus after His Resurrection. Thomas said he wanted to see His hands and His side where He had been speared by The Roman soldier. Thomas needed these assurances before he would believe. Eight days later, Jesus appeared to them and displayed His hands showing where He had been nailed to the cross and His side with the hole in it. Christ did not display His hands and side until eight days later. Why? When Mary Magdalene came to the tomb, early, and saw Jesus was gone, she thought The Romans took His body away. His Disciples, also, left. As she wept, she saw two angels where Jesus' body had laid. Who did

she see? Christ was standing there but she didn't know it was Him. Mary thought He was *a gardener* (John 20:11-15). She did not recognize Christ until He spoke to her (John 20:16). "*Jesus said to her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father, but go to my brethren and say to them, I ascend to my Father, and your Father; and to my God and your God*" (John 20:17).

This was similar to the situation with Thomas. Eight days later, Christ revealed His wounds. In all cases, the body was meaningless. It was *the words* that disclosed Jesus, as The Christ. Only, then, did His Apostles recognize it was Him. The body is merely a tent or a temporary dwelling place for *the spirit* to reside. This is *the reality* of every human.

God's Glory

Every time God Almighty dwelt with *man*, it was His *glory* that manifested itself. When Abraham met God as *a man*, this manifestation was not *the real Father*. In every case, the people saw *a theophany* where God *dwelt temporarily*, but only *The Spirit of God* was in *the tabernacle*. It was God's Holy Spirit. When Jesus went to The Father in the heavens, He was given *the glory* that He had with The Father before the world was created (John 17:5). Jesus was God's *glory* and revealed Himself as *a theophany* concerning what The Father did. *No one* has seen God or heard His *voice* (John 5). If God *spoke* or *was seen*, then a person would have been *consumed* (Hebrews 12:29). God is *a consuming fire*. Furthermore, God is *The Lake of*

Fire. "For Tophet [garbage dump] is ordained of old; yea, for the king it is prepared; he has made it deep and large: the pile thereof is fire and much wood; the breath [brimstone] of the LORD, like a stream of brimstone [burning], does kindle it" (Isaiah 30:33). God's breath kindles (actually causes) The Lake of Fire.

God's Wrath

Does God get *angry*? Indeed, He does. As a last resort, His *anger is furious*, "*For whom the Lord loves he chastens and scourges every son whom he receives... But if you be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are you bastards and not sons*" (Hebrews 12:6-8).

Here is why God, finally, gets angry and punishes the wicked, "*For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure [physical parents]; but he [God] for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness. Now no chastening for the present seems to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to them which are exercised [trained] thereby*" (Hebrews 12:10-11). There it is. God only becomes *angry* and *punishes* so you can have *peace* and His *Holiness*. It is God's last resort to get you to make the right choice to change your life. But who are you? (Read John 14:9).

Are you restricted in your physical *body*? No, your human body is merely *a temporary* dwelling place. The spiritual essence is *the truth* or *reality* of a *human being*. Here is what God intends to do with you, "*To the*

general assembly and church of the firstborn [bride], *which are written in heaven and to God the Judge of all and to the spirits of just men made perfect*” (Hebrews 12:23). What is *real* is “*The Spirit – In Man*” that God gives to you at *birth*. That is the real you. That is why God is *a spirit* and only wants to be worshipped “*In Spirit*” (John 4:23-24). The bodies of humans are like a garment of clothing which is changeable. The book, *Faith That Saves*, tells about the times God dwelt with *man*. God tried to dwell with man *seven times* before *the world* would receive The Gospel of God’s Kingdom. God appeared six times, only, as His “*glory*” which is God’s *goodness*. Always remember no *man* has seen or heard God – ever.

Paganism

Most of you have learned the wrong concept about what or who *a pagan* is. Pagans believe in God, but they believe in God *in an unrighteous manner* (Romans 1:18). Pagans know *the truth* of God Almighty, but they worship Him in error. The word “*pagan*” means “*country people*.” The country people outside of the large cities had *no access* to city schools and, therefore, were *uneducated*. They knew about The One True God, Almighty. They called Him “*The Sky-God*.” The problem with *pagans* was they did not understand the meaning or implications of *a theophany*. Because God and angels can appear as *humans*, you never see God or the angels as they really are. The Pagans decided every human in The Garden of Eden and The Land of Eden were divine, so they regarded them as *gods*. Therefore, their definition of “*Elohim*”

became “*many gods*” in a plural sense. It was not The One True God, The God Almighty who built all things (Hebrews 3:4). These *pagans* did not understand *Elohim* in the plural form and how it *did not* imply *many gods* (like a trinity). In *truth*, God is The One God with many attributes. A *theophany* confused their thinking.

Pagans believed in *The One God*, but somehow, as time went on, they imagined three and, then, more gods. This was because God and the angels could appear as *humans*. Today, some believe in extra-terrestrial aliens. All *pagan religions* are steeped in this *unrighteous* acceptance of God. To them, the word “*elohim*” includes “*many gods*” and, thus, *Polytheism*. That is why Paul told The Romans that they held *the truth unrighteously* by worshipping *the creation* rather than *The Creator* (Romans 1:25).

Different Religious Beliefs of Faith

Historically, because of basic underlying misunderstandings about the existence of *theophanies*, all *faiths* or *religions* arise out of this confusion. Even worse, since *the entire creation* reveals *The Invisible One True God*, there are religions that know “*the great spirit*” is active in *the entire universe*. They choose to worship *mountains, rivers, trees* and even *the stars* (astrology) (Romans 1:20). After all, “*God*” is “*in everything*.” The entire universe is a part of God.

This chapter presents *the foundation* and *basis* for discerning all *religious beliefs of faith* – *Christian* and *pagan*. Before Greek and Roman times, religion was a

philosophy. Philosophy is *a study of life*. The words “*philos*” and “*ology*” refer to *the schools of the universe*. That is why the ultimate *educational degree* is a *Doctorate in Philosophy*, which is a *dogmatic doctrinal degree in the study of the universe*. That school is called a university. Prior to “*scientific university life*,” Religion was taught as an education about *the creation*.

Studying *doctrine* is not God’s method for analyzing *The Bible*. Doctrines are only partial truth, “*For we know in part and we prophesy in part* [God’s word]. *But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part* [doctrine] *shall be done away*. *When I was a child* [babe in Christ], *I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man* [mature spiritually], *I put away childish things*. *For now we see through a glass* [mirror-shadow], *darkly* [Babylon]; *but then face to face* [God]: *now I know in part; but then shall I know* [knowledge] *even as also I am known* [God as All In All]” (I Corinthians 13:9-12). The whole is The Alpha and The Omega. Doctrine is a part of a whole. What is the whole?

Paul spells it out clearly. As humans *in the flesh*, you are on your own (in Babylon) divided and mixed, intellectually. Why is this? Without God’s thoughts, mind and wisdom, you are as a babe “*In Christ*” and you think childishly. This aspect is limited to understanding a doctrine “*in part*.” You need God’s Ph.D. (*Doctorate of Doctrine*). You are getting closer and closer to understanding why The Magi came to see Christ.

CHAPTER 6

IN THE GARDEN

“*Kindergarten*” is “*a child’s garden.*” In German, it refers to The Garden of Eden with Adam and Eve. God’s intention with Adam and Eve was to *make man* in His *image* (Genesis 1:26).

Man’s Image

“*Selem*” in Hebrew means “*image*” in English. This *image of man* is not “*spiritually mature.*” It is only a *shadow* or a *type* of God in the future. That is God’s purpose and predestined goal (Ephesians 1). Your body is not fully mature but needs to grow to be whole, which is perfection.

In The Garden, Adam and Eve were like newborn children. They didn’t even realize they were *naked*. God, as their Father, was the top *Rabbi* or teacher. The heavenly host, including the cherubs, were supposed to assist in teaching them. Satan, a cherub, was to teach them *the truth*. He, originally, appeared as *Lucifer, the light bringer* (Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28).

As a cherub in The Garden, Satan was supposed to teach *the truth*, which he did, but in a *deceptive way*. Eve was susceptible to *Lucifer’s* tricky ways. He asked her if she could eat of all the trees in The Garden. She

said she could not eat of The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil because, if she did so, she would die.

Being subtle, Satan only told her what God planned to do in the future. Satan never referred to The Tree of Life which could have given her *Salvation* (Eternal Life). It would have made her like God and know *good* and *evil*. Adam followed her in the transgression even though he knew he would die, as a result. Why? He loved her, even to the death, just as Christ loves you.

Adam and Eve chose to educate themselves and did not want to be married to God. So, they were divorced from The Tree of Life and became *bachelors* living on their own. The only way they could come back to The House of God was to *die*, which would release them from *The Law* concerning marriage (Deuteronomy 24). This special *seed* of Adam and Eve had to be *Holy* and *sinless* because He would die for the world and pay for their *sins*. Then, and only then, could this first couple receive *grace, truth* and, eventually, *Eternal Life*.

Jesus, The Seed

With Jesus being The Groom, He could do this because He was sinless. He became that acceptable sacrifice for sin. As The Author of Salvation, *The First Begotten Son* of God made it possible for many to follow Jesus and regard Him as Master and Teacher. He, also, was *a Rabbi* (Master) trained to prepare His Bride and be The Head of His Family as Lord and Master Teacher (Matthew 23). Christ was *The Promised Seed* intended to save (restore) *what had been lost* (Matthew 18:11).

He was *The Groom* to prepare His wife for *the wedding* (Ephesians 5). He was *The Teacher* for His *bride* to become like God, their Father. His bride was now getting a *Master's Degree*. To be *perfect*, they have to go for their *Doctorate* and understand all *doctrine* or *knowledge*. This transpires when you receive a glorified body and you will be like God.

The New Covenant

The Law of Moses, known as *The Old Covenant*, was to become their *schoolmaster* to lead them *to Christ* (Galatians 3). Jesus was *The Master* to actually *lead* them back to The Garden, so they could live in God's *house*. This *house* is currently being built by Jesus and God as a *Spiritual House* to be in The New Heavens and on The New Earth.

The New Covenant helps The Bride (Israel and The Church of God) *mature, spiritually*, so they can become *perfect* like Christ, their husband. No longer will they be *an image* of God. They will be like actual Sons of God (Jesus). They are ready to receive their *Doctorate* and be like God.

The Fulfillment

Jesus did not come to destroy *The Law* or *Prophets*, but to fulfill them (Matthew 5). The word "*fulfill*" comes from the Greek word "*pleroma*" which means "*to bring to completion or perfection.*" Once *perfect*, you are like God, *spiritually* (Matthew 5:48). Then, you are ready for your *Doctorate* to know *all doctrine*

or *knowledge*. That completes God's work to make man in His image (I Corinthians 13:1-12).

Here is the methodology that leads you to the fulfillment of *perfection*, "*For we know [doctrine] in part and we prophecy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child [baby], I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child, but when I became a man [mature], I put away childish things. For now [babe] we see through a glass [mirror], darkly [darkness]; but then face to face [exact image]: now I know in part; but then shall I know [knowledge] even as also I am known*" (I Corinthians 13:9-12). This is God's complete educational system. You begin in *kindergarten* (The Garden of Eden) and, then, you can decide to educate yourself and attempt to receive a *Bachelor's Degree*. Christ came to be your *Master Teacher* and head *Rabbi*. Only, then, will you begin your educational program for your *Master's Degree*. This can only be done after asking God to write His *Law* into your *heart* and *mind*.

When you receive your *Master's Diploma*, you are ready for your *Doctorate Degree*. This will be on The New Earth in New Jerusalem with God, as *your Father*, and Jesus will teach you to become *one* with them. At that time, you will be able to look *face to face* at *God* as A Son of God.

The Gnostic Education

Adam and Eve, early on, decided to educate them-

selves in the knowledge of *good* and *evil*. Remember, they only had their human imagination and what they heard and *observed* in order to logically come to decisions. This is called *Science* or *the theories of mathematical probability*.

What each of you experience in your *life* and what you learn from other people's *logical conclusions* has brought you to *the same human method* of forming a conclusion. With *the logic* and *life experiences* of others, as well as your own observations, you can come to your own conclusions.

Prophecy is the process of God *foretelling the human experience in advance*. After all, God *made everyone* and He knows everyone's limitations. Satan, as a deceiver, fools you into thinking you are right in many of your wrong choices.

Christ In The Wilderness

Jesus Christ was proven or tempted in the wilderness where God does not dwell. He fasted for forty days and was very hungry. What did Satan try to do? It was not pleasant. "*And when the tempter came to him, he said, If you be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God. Then the devil [destroyer] takes him up into the holy city and sets him on a pinnacle of the temple, And said to him, If you be the Son of God, cast yourself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning you: and*

in their hands they shall bear you up, less at any time you dash your foot against a stone. Jesus said to him [Satan], It is written again, You shall not tempt the Lord your God” (Matthew 4:3-7 and Deuteronomy 6:16).

The contest continued with each of them quoting *scripture*. Satan did not *lie*, but he was trying to deceive Jesus just as he deceived Eve. In both cases, with Jesus and Eve, Satan taught *the truth*, but a good lesson had to be learned as to the way he was so devious.

The famous scripture quoted by all is, “*Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.*” Jesus was teaching Satan that being physically hungry isn't critical because the hunger for the spiritual substance is what really preserves *life*. *Eating every Word of God gives Eternal Life*.

Teaching *doctrine* from *the scriptures*, accurately, as Satan did, is only *a part of the truth*. Unless you *learn* every Word of God, you do not have *all the truth*. Once and for all, you can be *dogmatic* about *doctrine*. *Doctrine*, knowledge or *prophecy* is only displayed *in part*. You can easily mislead others by teaching *scriptures*, in context. It can be accurate but, nevertheless, it is only “*in part*.”

Here is Paul's warning, “*Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things [superior], but condescend to men of low estate [humble]. Be not wise [proud] in your own conceits*” (Romans 12:16).

CHAPTER 7

SEEK GOD

God's, only, purpose for mankind is to make *everyone* in His own *image* (Genesis 1:26). *What does God expect of you?* Adam and Eve had to make a *free choice* between God as their *Master Rabbi* and eating from The Tree of Life or The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil. They had to decide whether to serve God or decide *good* and *evil* on their own. In this context, what does God expect of you?

Isaiah 55:6-13

“Seek you the LORD while he may be found” (Isaiah 55:6). God makes a poignant request of mankind. He wants you to search for The One True God while He is available. Your mission is to seek and, then, find The One True God. What are the directions you are to follow? *“Let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return to the LORD and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon”* (Isaiah 55:7). You are to seek God and love Him, as any little child looks to their father.

The Hebrew word *“rasha,”* when translated into English means, *“doesn't know how to live right.”* These

are people who cannot distinguish between *good* and *evil*. The word for “*unrighteous*” in Hebrew is “*awen*.” It means “*vanity, nothingness, falsehood or idolatry*,” which is *sin* or *missing the mark of truth* (righteousness). Notice how it all has to do with *thoughts*. The Hebrew word for “*thoughts*” is “*machashavah*” which is defined as “*imagination, intentions, purpose, plan or invention*.” Humans can invent things out of their logical minds. However, it may be *good* or *evil*. Wickedness and unrighteousness have to do with the *way you think* in your *mind*. God allows you to know what makes you *sin*, which is *missing the mark of truth* or *righteousness*. This is the way humans *think*! Since mankind did not create *the universe* or themselves, how could they know how everything *works*? It is a *mystery* throughout *the entire world*. Therefore, the best you can do, is *guess* or *imagine* what *the truth is*. Your *theories* must, then, be tested over and over again.

It is like those who manufacture products and know how the objects were created in the laboratory or the fabrication shop. How will God *teach* humanity to discern *good* and *evil*? “*For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain comes down and the snow from heaven and returns not thither [there], but waters the earth and makes it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goes forth out of my mouth: it shall not return to me void, but it shall accomplish that which I*

please and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it" (Isaiah 55:8-11). God concludes this chapter with a description of *Paradise*. "For you shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off" (Isaiah 55:12-13). Everyone lives forever like a *fir tree* with no *briers* or *weeds of sin* to hamper Eternal Life. A *fir tree* remains green year-round and keeps *growing*.

JHVH And Elohim

When God created the heavens and earth, He used the title "*Elohim*" meaning "*God*" (Genesis 1:1). *Elohim* can be *plural* or *singular* depending on the grammar (Isaiah 55). However, human reasoning or imagination thought it meant *many gods*, such as a trinity. Generally, *Elohim* applies to God Almighty, but it can mean a magistrate or a judge. Why is this? Clearly, the context refers to *the true meaning of the word*. Whenever "*One*" is a Creator and Superior to others, because he/she knows *justice* or *judgment*, then this Creator can discern *good* and *evil*. The Hebrew word "*Elohim*" is used for God, but humans can, also, be *Elohim* as a judge or ruler. They are still individuals. You have the biblical definition for "*Elohim*" in Isaiah 55. Whenever God refers to a creation, He defines the word "*Elohim*" for Himself. He is a *Creator* who knows *good* and *evil* in every detail. Why is this? It is

because He is **The One** who did the creating so He has the judgment regarding *right* from *wrong*. The term “*Lord*” is different (Isaiah 55). “*Lord*” in Hebrew is “*JHVH*.” JHVH is God’s name which is defined as “*I Am*.” So “*I Am*” can be whatever God chooses to be. He is *Elohim*, *The Creator* and has a total of *twenty-two titles*. These titles are in reference to God’s *diverse abilities* and perhaps they can be called talents. “*Elohim*” means God created everything (Hebrews 3:4 and Isaiah 55). Paul knew that God (*Elohim* in the plural) *makes all things*. God as *The Lord* (JHVH) has the ability to decide what He will do at any time. Once God makes that decision, His plans are carried out.

Which Is The Mind Of God?

Christians must have Christ’s *mind* (Philippians 2:5). Paul said, “*Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.*” The Apostle reveals how Jesus did not think it was *robbery* to be in *the form* (morph) of God. What *form* of God could this be? It is *the very mind* of God (Isaiah 55). Christ’s *thoughts* or *way of thinking* follows God’s *will* and what He decided to do.

Jesus said, “*I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear [words], I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will [humanly], but the will of the Father which has sent me*” (John 5:30). That completely explains the subject. God wants you to *seek* Him and *think* like Him, with Christ as your example. That is why having “*Christ – In You*” is comparable to growing with God’s *mind* and being like Jesus. Only, then, will you know *right* and *wrong* (Hebrews 1:3).

The Bible Story

Why was *The Bible* written? Since God, The Creator is making *man* in His *image*, God and those helping Him (angels) will teach mankind the way to become like God. In what way does this occur? It comes through *The Scriptures*. In short, you need to have Christ's *mind* which is God's mind, just as *The Scriptures* teach you. *The Bible* was written in such a way that you can discover who *The One True God* is and *learn* His way of *teaching* you. It comes by joining *like-minds* (God's mind joining your mind). You need to think like God and *live* or *behave* like Him. This will not make you a man-made *god*, but you will be in *The Family of God* as Sons of God. That is The Story of God. It is that simple.

Repentance Of What

God reveals how you must change from *the human way of thinking* to God's *way of thinking* (Isaiah 55). "*Repentance*" is defined in Hebrew and Greek as "*a change of mind.*" You must give up wickedness, unrighteousness and the way you have been living (Isaiah 55:6-7). Isaiah has taught you something important. If you are ready to change your way of living, God will be so happy. He will be merciful and forgive all your sins, but, in order for you to be able to do so, it is necessary to have Christ's *mind* (and God's mind). How do you receive The Mind of Christ and God? Here is the answer, "*For God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of power and of love and of a sound mind*" (II Timothy 1:7).

The Greek word for a “*sound mind*” is “*sophronismos*” meaning “*disciplined in control by having wisdom.*” “*Sophie*” in Greek is “*wisdom*” and not just “*knowledge.*” “*Knowledge*” in Greek is “*gnosis.*” Knowledge without *wisdom* can be dangerous. *A sound mind is in full control.* What is it that keeps you from Godly wisdom? Godly wisdom is kept away by what destroys it. “*Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeks and intermeddles with all wisdom*” (Proverbs 18:1-4).

It is guaranteed that mankind, through their *desires*, will corrupt themselves. Conversely, there is *wisdom* and the ability to *think straight*, which is having a *sound mind*. Today, you may call it a *personal agenda*. It could be *revenge, money, power, celebrity* or *sex*. Whatever *distorts* your *thinking* (lacking wisdom and a sound mind) will cause trouble ahead.

When your agenda is not according to God’s *will, mind* and *way*, then, your *personal desires* will corrupt your *thinking*. Consequently, you *lack true wisdom*. Wisdom is compared to a *clear running spring* where a person can see the bottom (being *purified* by the water running over *the stones* and *rocks*). *Distorted wisdom* or *thinking* is like *deep water*, which is *still* or *foaming* and you cannot see the bottom. As a result, they are *drowning* (first in sin and, then, in penalties). Seeking God as your *maker* and *teacher* will solve the human dilemma of knowing what is *good* and what is *evil*. Without Godly wisdom, no one can teach you to have a *sound mind*. (Read the book, *What is Idolatry*).

CHAPTER 8

RIGHTEOUSNESS INTO UNRIGHTEOUSNESS

Adam and Eve decided what was *best for them without God*. No matter how close they could have come, only God knows how to live in Paradise, forever. God, alone, is **The Only One that can teach what is *good* and *evil*. So, what went wrong?**

Genesis Of Unrighteousness

When Cain murdered Abel, he was ostracized to The Land of Nod. Nod was *a wilderness – a Land of Wandering*. This land was not under God’s rule or protection. Cain joined some of his brothers and sisters who still adhered to God’s rules. This was after he killed Abel. God knew the relatives would want blood for blood, so He protected Cain with a mark. Cain’s relatives knew God was *The Almighty SkyGod*. Understandably, they were tempted to revenge Abel’s death.

In the wilderness, society was *free* to decide between doing *good* or doing *evil* on their own. This would cause *the prominent ones with power* to become honored as *gods*. At The Tower of Babel, the people were

deeply into *Polytheism*, which produced a variety of *trinities*. Knowing the *real SkyGod*, why did they decide to *worship* more than *one god*? Everyone knew *Seth* replaced Abel and both were known to call upon The Name of God (Genesis 4:25). One of Seth's children (Enoch) was a Prophet of God. Later, Noah became a *Preacher of Righteousness*. Enoch preached about The Coming of The Messiah (Jude 14 and II Peter 2:5). Why didn't they listen to God's Prophets (listed in Genesis 5)? These humans are called Sons of God (starting with Adam) (Genesis 5:1). Cain's name is *not listed*. When Cain left Eden, he lived on his own. His descendants were known as *country people* and lived in the wilderness. They were called *pagans* because they were uneducated in *the truth*.

Sons Of God

The Sons of God, descending from *Seth*, followed God's *word* as they were led by The Holy Spirit. Peter explained the problem. Why didn't the people at The Tower of Babel believe The Prophets and preachers such as Noah? Here is Peter's answer to *The Gentiles* in Turkey, "*Receiving the end [goal] of your faith, even the salvation of your souls [lives]. Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace [mercy] that should come to you: Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glory that should follow. To whom it was revealed, that not to themselves [prophets], but to us they did minister the things, which are now reported to you by them [proph-*

ets] *that have preached the gospel to you with the Holy Ghost [spirit] sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into*" (I Peter 1:9-12). Christ's *seven churches* were, also, warned (Revelation 2 and 3). Do you understand what Peter told The Gentiles in Turkey? He was talking about *the ancient world* before and after *the flood*. This was when Noah, Shem and his progeny were Sons of God. (Read the book, *Sons Of God*). *They all preached The Gospel of Christ*. However, they didn't know who Jesus was or when He would come. This is just like many Christians today. It is important to understand that *The Gospel of Christ* was *known* from The Garden of Eden to The Tower of Babel. The world existing at The Tower of Babel *knew* a great deal of *the truth*. Well, then, what happened to all *the truth* they had in the beginning?

Truth In Unrighteousness

How did the world, at The Tower of Babel, get so confused? Which of The Prophets preached *the truth* of The Gospel of Christ? Shem, Noah's son, followed God and preached the same message as his father. Noah was a *Preacher of Righteousness* as was Shem. What happened? "*For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith. For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness*" (Romans 1:17-18). "*Ungodliness*" in Greek means "*to worship something other than God.*" Christians are encouraged to seek God's knowledge of *good* and *evil*. So, how did *unrighteousness* begin?

Paul reveals that *the invisible things* of God are clearly known through *the physical things* which have been *created* (Romans 1:20). What did they do at The Tower of Babel? Here is the answer, “*And [they] changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like the corruptible man and to birds and four-footed beasts and creeping thing*” (Romans 1:23). “*Who changed the truth of God into a lie and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. A-men*” (Romans 1:25).

The problem came about because when God created everything, they began to worship *the universe* and everything on it. Granted, the universe does manifest who *The One True God* is, but *the universe* did not *create itself* (starting from nothing). God always was *The Only One Creator*. What a mess so many people are in. This causes them to run amuck!

Jesus Said The Same

Christ said to Nicodemus, who was a *Master* in Judah, “*If I have told you earthly things and you believe [me] not, how shall you believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?*” (John 3:12). The Messiah told Nicodemus that *spiritual things* are much like *the wind*. You can't see the wind, but you can, nevertheless, feel the effects of it. When the wind is strong, like a tornado, its power can destroy things. *The Book of Romans* reveals this, also. All of today's world religions began at The Tower of Babel. Because God manifested Himself throughout the universe, a plethora of gods were created and worshipped. This is how *ungodliness* and

unrighteousness became a way of life and replaced *the truth*. God had to stop the momentum. So, He divided the nations to end the religious *pluralism* of having too many gods and religions. All of today's *faiths* came from The Tower of Babel (called Babylon). Why is that? "*Behold, the people [world] is one and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do*" (Genesis 11:6).

Astrology started because the people looked to the heavens and the stars. They wanted to worship anything God created. The earth and everything in it is what God consists of. All *faiths*, whether Pagan (country people) or not, built their own ideology of God and created their own forms of religion. God, The Creator, departed from them when they chose to live by themselves in *the wilderness*, just like Adam and Eve. God said nothing would be restrained from them. God, meaning *The SkyGod*, was in the heavens. The people, left to themselves, chose to decide what was *right* and what was *wrong*.

All the world's religions came from man's imaginations which, in turn, created their own numerous gods. Everything God created was worshipped. Ego-driven rulers, too often, regarded themselves as *a god*. But, they were only *human*. The One True God laughs at all this nonsense. As a result, you need to understand how these *Polytheists* spread so rapidly. You need to discover this crucial clue, which has confused the world for so long.

CHAPTER 9

WHAT IS GNOSTICISM?

“Remember the days of old [Paleontology], consider the years of many generations: ask your father and he will show you; your elders, and they will tell you. When the Most High [SkyGod] divided [The Tower of Babel] to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel” (Deuteronomy 32:7-8). This is the beginning of all the nations of the world. It is very significant to keep this in mind.

One World And Islands

Before God divided the nations (by creating all the various languages), the earth was one and everyone spoke a single tongue (Genesis 11). God decided to separate the people by giving each group their own language. To be certain they would remain apart, God created continents and islands in The Days of Peleg. He gave the people their separate lands as an inheritance, “*And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together to one place and let the dry land appear: and it was so. And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good*” (Genesis 1:9-10). Clearly, dur-

ing the six days of creation, the water or seas (called oceans) were gathered into specific places. Then, the dry land of earth appeared when the waters receded. In the beginning, the earth was formed as one continent. God, then, divided the nations (in Peleg's day) by separating the earth into several continents or islands. Before The Tower of Babel, the earth appeared as one land with all the people living together. Originally, everyone had *the truth*, "*For the LORD is a great God [SkyGod] and a great King above all gods...The sea [ocean] is his and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land. O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker*" (Psalm 95:3-6). The earth was flat and one could walk into the waters.

David acknowledges that many other *gods* existed. David knew that at The Tower of Babel the people began to worship the entire creation and were creating minor gods. As a result, they ignored The True Creator. It was the reason they *turned the truth into unrighteousness*. They knew *The SkyGod* created everything. They, also, knew about *The Gospel of Christ* and how The Messiah would be their *Savior*. Since they decided who their own mini-gods were, all they had to do was observe leaders in their group and choose who their *Savior* would be.

When God separated the people, they had the freedom to *choose* what gods they wanted to worship. This meant God had to separate His future people (those who followed Him) from the corrupt Gentiles who rejected Him. Moses clearly understood this drama in The Song of Moses (Deuteronomy 32). This song re-

veals how God divided the nations in a way so The Children of Israel could have their own inheritance. Why was this? So, the followers of The One True God could worship Him *righteously* without divisions. He could, also, keep humanity from genocide.

God's People

“For the LORD’s portion [inheritance] is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance” (Deuteronomy 32:9). How did God know His portion would be Israel? He didn’t, but He knew it was to be from Abraham’s genes. *The Promised Seed* would come from Abraham. When God divided *the nations*, they could have, by *free choice*, been placed under God’s protection as His people.

They all knew *the truth* about The Messiah. They only had to make *the right choice*, just like their *forefathers* (Adam and Eve). This freedom allowed them to have their pick of *saviors*. The human mind can imagine almost anything! With Polytheism rife in the world, anyone with great power could pose as The Savior or The Messiah.

God divided the nations to see if Abraham’s seed would make the right choice regarding *Salvation*. The search continued from Abraham until Jacob and when his name was changed, he became *Israel* (one who prevails with God). Genealogically, Isaac was followed by Jacob and, then, Jacob became a tribe (a nation of twelve sons known as The Twelve Tribes of Israel). This is the family history of The Nation of Israel.

Gnostics

Biblically, most believe *The Gnostics* started around 50 A.D. by an individual called Simon Magus. Magus is derived from the same root as the word for *The Magi* who came to Christ at His birth. "*Magi*" merely means "*wise men*" or "*magicians.*" Simon Magus tried to buy The Holy Spirit so he could sell it as a commodity. He wanted to make a profit. Peter rebuked him and said he was in the bond of wickedness and had no part with Christianity (Acts 8:18-21). Greed showed up in many forms. Gnostics, *the wise men* or *The Magi*, existed in Christ's day. But, trying to sell The Holy Spirit is a really extreme example. Recall, in Nebuchadnezzar's court, how Daniel was selected by The King because he was *wise*. Who were the ones involved in making that decision? When The King had *a dream*, he wanted someone *wise* to tell him what it meant. So he called all *his wise men* together, "*Then the king commanded to call the magicians [magi] and the astrologers and the sorcerers and the Chaldeans, for to show the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king*" (Daniel 2:2). These were *the wise*, the king's *cabinet* and known as *counselors*. It included *The Magi* and *Astrologers*, just as was the case at The Tower of Babel. These were the ones who worshipped the whole creation and ignored God, *The Creator*. *The Gnostics* are those with *super knowledge* about God who began at The Tower of Babel. The word "*Gnostic*" in Greek means "*knowledge, super knowledge*" or "*the wise.*" *The Magi* who came to observe Christ's birth knew *where Christ was* because of *the star* (astronomy) (I Peter 1).

Worldwide Gnostics

Each culture and empire had its *wise men* or *Gnostics*. A Gnostic was one who had special *knowledge* which comes from a higher level of thinking than most have ever experienced. They are viewed as *the élites of the nation or culture*. There are, also, contemporary élites. *Elites* or *Gnostics* possess a *higher level of knowledge* than *the majority of society*. That is why they consider themselves the leaders of nations, cities and places of learning.

The term “*Gnostic*” does not apply to *religion* as some believe. Rather, it applies to *the intellectuals* and the so-called scholars of a particular time period. For example, you have The Egyptian Gnostics who assembled The Nag Hammadi Books which were found by farmers. What many may not understand is that there are Gnostics in all cultures of the world. In Christ’s day on earth and for the next 200 years, *The Gnostics* (knowledgeable ones) wrote a plethora of documents which were distributed throughout all the known world. There are Ethiopian Gnostics, Indian Gnostics and Aztec Gnostics, depending on who represented *the wise* or *élites* of any nation. “*Gnosticism*” is a term which means “*philosophy*” rather than *religion*. One example is Simon Magus in The Apostles’ time. Another example is Diotrophes (III John 9-11). He was a Gnostic. Some of these individuals were so consumed by *their mental brilliance* that they insisted, only, “*they*” had *the truth*. Therefore, they were to be obeyed. If the people didn’t obey these self-proclaimed *wise ones*, they were ostracized from the group. They

were excommunicated, just as Diotrophes did to members of his own fellowship group (III John 9-10). "*Diotrophes*" in Greek means "*a friend of Zeus.*"

Church Disfellowship

The Apostles only believed in disfellowshipping (cutting people from fellowship in the church) others when they caused church division or sinned. However, they never disfellowshipped others over *doctrinal matters* just because they did not agree. Only those who, after two or three warnings, didn't show *love* and *respect* for others were cut off from *fellowship*. Some were not "*able*" or "*willing*" to understand *spiritual matters* from a different point of view. If they truly wanted to follow God, then, in time, they would repent and come back into the fold. Here is John's answer regarding Diotrophes and his insistence about being *right*, "*Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that does good is of God: but he that does evil has not seen God*" (III John 1:11).

What are the biblical requirements for *disfellowshipping an individual*? The Apostle Paul warns The Corinthian Church to have nothing to do with the fornicator who is personally doing evil (I Corinthians 5). Furthermore, this evil was evident in the entire Corinthian Church. They *disfellowshipped this man* until he *stopped sinning*. If he stopped his evil deeds, then he was to be accepted back into The Church of God. This is what God does when His chosen people keep on sinning and continue to be *a wrong witness*. As *wrong witnesses*, they cannot represent The One

True God (Isaiah 59:1-3). God was and is Holy and, as God's people, you must be Holy, as well. That is a requirement to be one of His. Troublemakers, who continue to disrupt a church, after two or three warnings, are not allowed in fellowship.

Babel And Magi

From The Tower of Babel to *The Magi* at Christ's birth, those who held *the truth in unrighteousness* were rejected because *they were not witnesses of The True God and His ways*. *The Magi were astrologers* who believed in *a coincidence among the stars* and were one of *the two witnesses* from God to the world. This witness was to prove Jesus was *The Christ*. Then, God was witnessed by The Angel of The Lord. The Magi, through human prediction, were the world's witnesses using *Astrology*. They saw *the astrological star* which foretold the birth of The Messiah and knew He had been *born*. The world is without excuse. Jesus had *a testimony* from His *Birth*. The shepherds were God's other *witnesses*. Truth is established by two or three witnesses.

God always gives free reign. He gives mankind *free choice* to choose the world's wisdom or His wisdom. You have the same choice as Adam and Eve. It is your decision to choose *Godly knowledge* or the world's knowledge. You can choose Gnosticism of the world or The Wisdom of God. The choice will always be yours.

CHAPTER 10

WORLD RELIGIONS AND GNOSTICISM

All faiths and religions of the world have their roots in Gnostic teaching. The Pagan and Christian Gnostics of ancient times infiltrated religion because they were thought to be knowledgeable. From the time of The Tower of Babel, The Gnostics, or the élite, have had great influence.

The Wise And Barbarians

The Apostle Paul outlined the process of Salvation for all mankind. He covered the time-span from The Jews to The Gentiles, “*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God to salvation to every one that believes; to the Jew first and also to the Greek*” (Romans 1:16).

Paul said The Gospel of Jesus is *for everyone*. First, The Jews had a chance and, then, The Greeks were given their opportunity. The next verse is an amazing statement, “*For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith*” (Romans 1:17). Wow! Consider this statement, “*From faith to faith.*” Paul clarified what he meant when he uttered these words, “*faith to faith.*” The Apostle instructed The Church of God to accept the individuals who were *weak* (knowing little)

in *the faith* (church). The Church should receive them and should not argue about the different scriptural understandings that, at times, arise in conversations and may end in deep discussions (Romans 14:1). Some believe you may eat all things (unclean foods) and others believe you should eat only vegetables. This is quite clear! Paul wrote about God accepting individuals who eat everything (clean or unclean) or only vegetables and fruit (Romans 14:3). It is each Christian's choice because only Jesus is your *Master Rabbi* or *judge* (Romans 14:4).

Following this perspective, Paul gives more examples including which day a person decides to worship God (just like the food choice). The English word "*esteem*" in Greek is "*judge*," which is the same word used in Romans 14:4. Only Christ can judge you regarding your doctrinal understanding as you grow in *faith* or *knowledge*.

He, also, discusses whether it is proper to drink wine or not. Finally, Paul commands you to live at your own level of spiritual understanding. You will, only, be *judged* by your *faith* and your own level of understanding. God never holds anyone responsible for what they do not know. That is why Jesus said, if you are blind to the truth, then you will not be held responsible (John 9:41). The Apostle Peter knew Jesus was The Christ because He (Christ) held *The Keys to The Kingdom*. Jesus is your *Master Rabbi* who teaches you. Only Christ knows when you are ready, *in your heart*, to receive *more truth*. That is why *the just live by faith*.

With the conversion of The Roman Centurion, Peter finally uttered a remarkable statement, *“Then Peter opened his mouth and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation [pagan, Christian, Gnostic] he that fears him [God] and works righteousness, is accepted with him [God]”* (Acts 10:34-35). This includes *all faiths* because, as you will read, The Apostle Paul clearly understood something very important. Any Gnostic who fears God and seeks Him, will be accepted.

Christians, Greeks, Barbarians

It may be surprising, but here are the individuals to whom The Apostle felt indebted to preach The Gospel of Christ. *“I am debtor both to the Greeks and to the Barbarians; both to the wise and to the unwise... For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God to salvation to every one that believe; to the Jew first and also to the Greek”* (Romans 1:14-16). That is the reason Paul wanted to go to Rome (Romans 1:15). Whether The Romans were *wise* (like The Greeks) or *unwise* (Barbarians), he taught everyone who feared and sought *The Righteousness of The One True God*.

First, he would go to The Jews and then to The Greeks who based their understanding upon *Gnostic teachings*. Once they believed *in Christ*, they were accepted by God as His people. *“For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness”* (Romans 1:18).

Here is how they polluted The Truth of God into *unrighteousness*, “*Who changed the truth of God into a lie and worshipped and served the creature [creation] more than the Creator*” (Romans 1:25). That’s it! This included birds, four-footed beasts and creeping things (snakes) (Romans 1:23). Even *the worship of humans is idolatry*, like Jesus as The Son of Man.

They quit *worshipping The One True God and Father* of everything – *Elohim*. Instead, they worshipped His creation and turned rivers, lakes, stars, trees, mountains and animals into *mini-gods*. How much *truth* did they know?

Peter answers the question about how much *truth The Prophets taught*. Peter wrote to *the strangers* (Gentiles) in modern-day Turkey. They *loved Jesus* even though they had not seen Him (I Peter 1:8). “*Receiving the end [goal] of your faith, even the salvation of your souls [lives]. Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come to you. Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glory that should follow*” (I Peter 1:9-11). They knew *the entire truth* of *The Gospel of Christ*, including His suffering and God’s *glory* to come. How amazing! They knew *The Entire Gospel of Jesus, The Christ*. All they lacked was the knowledge of when *Jesus, The Savior* would return. Everyone waited for His return. That is why in Adam’s, Jude’s and Noah’s time, *The True Gospel* was widely spread (Jude 14). Noah, as *The Preacher of Righteous*, taught

The Coming of Christ and God's *righteousness*. They had *the truth* of God's purpose and of how God and the heavenly host would make *man* in His *image* (Genesis 1:26). This is a secret that God will reveal to you.

They corrupted this simple *truth* by making "*god-beings*" out of everything God created. The main problem was that they forgot *The One True God*, which they called *The SkyGod*. They figured, in their simple human mind, that God went off to heaven and all they had to worship were *the things* He created. With God up in the heavens, they were left with those who came from The Garden of Eden. Cain had been exiled to The Land of Nod, which was a wilderness. Thus, they had to fend for *themselves* and do whatever they wanted or reasoned to do.

Cain told those in Shinar (Southern Mesopotamia) about what happened to him. He told them how he was cast out of The Land of Eden. They became enthralled with these *exaggerated stories*. They viewed everyone and everything in Eden as *gods*. This included Adam, Eve, Seth and all the rivers, trees, mountains and animals.

Tower Of Babel

Cain's relative, Lamech, killed two men and said, "*If Cain shall be avenged [forgiven] sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold*" (Genesis 4:24). Only Cain could have told them the account of his exile. Since God was now in heaven, they *worshipped* everyone and everything as *mini-gods*. Adam and Eve, along with

Seth and his children, were viewed as “*part divine*” and “*part human.*” Adam and Eve were celebrities because they had lived in The Garden of Eden.

The earth, eventually, was populated with two types of people: Sons of God and Polytheists. Seth and his children were known as The Sons of God who were considered divine and respected as The Prophets. The Sons of God intermingled (married) with the daughters of men and, in time, the people became Polytheists. The world, with the exception of Noah and his family, truly worshipped the creation rather than The Creator.

Not knowing *The One True God (The SkyGod)*, they thought *the saints* should be *worshipped as gods*. At that time, Noah warned about *the coming flood* because the world had become evil and violent. They didn't listen to him. So, for mankind's sake, God flooded the world before the people annihilated themselves. God *battled* with the world to the point where He decided He had to start over with Noah and his family (a group of righteous people). When the flood receded, Noah and his progeny, Shem, Ham and Japheth, repopulated the known world. They settled around the area of Babel and Egypt.

Only Shem remained faithful to The One True Sky-God (The True God). The rest went astray. It was not long before the people began to do exactly what was done in pre-flood days. They worshipped the creation instead of The Creator by building *a temple* (The Tower of Babel). This tower was intended to keep

them united, as *a one-world government*. God saw a repeat of the same behavior that occurred in the pre-flood days. Those who were *men of renown*, like Nimrod and others, were *the élite*. This was the beginning of *Gnosticism*.

Gnostics were those who had *super-knowledge*. They had schools designed to promote their way of thinking. Religion, government and education were all managed in the same way. Rulers were king/priests serving as *civic* and *religious* heads. It was *a one-world rule* by *The Gnostics* (the élite) who were *men of knowledge and renown*.

What type of knowledge was this? These people were operating in the same condition as those living before them. They were The Astrologers and The Magicians. *The wise of the world* developed *a mystery system*, which was only known to *the élite* – *The Gnostics*.

CHAPTER 11

BABYLON, THE GREAT

World-rule by The Gnostics had been threatened, so *a one-world religion* was imposed on mankind through The Tower of Babel. Being Polytheists, the people worshipped everything that was *created*, including *the heavens* and *the stars* where The One SkyGod dwelt.

“Astrology” was born and based upon geometry. The stars were thought of as angels who ruled human activity. God said, *“And the LORD said, Behold the people is one and they have all one language and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do”* (Genesis 11:6).

With God seeing a repeat of pre-flood behavior, He decided, along with *the heavenly host of angels*, to *divide* the people into *separate nations*. Then, God declared, *“Go to, let us go down and there confound [confuse] their language, that they may not understand one another’s speech [language]”* (Genesis 11:7). God confused their tongues. That is why *“Babylon”* means *“mixed and divided.”*

Two Thousand Years

This was the genesis of Babylon and how it became

great. God wanted to *wound* this beast. That is why Moses, in *The Song of Moses*, said that God had to stop *The Beast*. This was in order to give each nation, with *their free choice*, an opportunity to seek God and follow *His ways* (Revelation 13:3, Deuteronomy 32:8-9 and Isaiah 55:6-10).

From the time of *The Garden of Eden*, 2,000 years or more passed before Israel, living as slaves in Egypt, were led to *The Promised Land* by Moses. The land was given to Abraham and his children for their opportunity to seek God. *The Tribes of Israel* had their chance to seek God in *the wilderness*. After that generation died, a new generation led by Joshua inherited God's property.

What happened to the rest of the world regarding their inheritance? Here is the answer, "*And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death and his deadly wound was healed and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped [bowed down to] the dragon [Satan] which gave power to the beast, saying, Who is like to the beast [militarily]? Who is able to make war with him [defeat]? And there was given to him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies [God's prerogatives] and power was given to him to continue forty and two months...And it was given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them [saints] and power was given him over all kindred's and tongues and nations. And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him [militarily], whose names are not written in the book of life [God's mind] of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world"* (Revelation 13:3-8).

World History

The summation of *world history* is found in those few verses in Revelation, which you have just read. The Beast coming out of The Great Sea (one-world ocean) was *wounded* at The Tower of Babel when their languages were confused. Each nation was given their specific *inheritance*. Only Israel (God's saints and people) responded by agreeing to obey *The Law of Moses*. They feared God, which allowed them to begin to get *wisdom*. However, they were still sinners and died in *the wilderness*. They were followed by the next generation under Joshua. On God's *Land*, they prospered. This was especially true in King David's reign from which *The Promised Seed* would come. Because God gave *wisdom* to Solomon, his *kingdom* prospered. Later, Israel sank into *a state of corruption* and, eventually, *decayed* (Isaiah 1). First, The Ten Tribes were taken into captivity. Almost one hundred thirty years later, Judah was conquered by Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon. The Times of The Gentiles began and will continue until The Second Coming of The Messiah, Jesus, The Christ. (Read the book, *The Times Of The Gentiles*).

Babylon And The Gentiles

Nebuchadnezzar had a dream about *a great human image* (Daniel 2). This *image* is represented by four world -ruling *empires* and will occur before The Messiah returns. The Ten Kings will rule the world before they are defeated by Jesus. Jesus will establish The Millennium and The Kingdom of God. What existed

in The Days of The King of Babylon? The King discovered that Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah (who stood before him) were extremely wise. *“And in all matters of wisdom and understanding, that the king enquired [vetted, tested] of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm”* (Daniel 1:20).

What did Nebuchadnezzar think about these Astrologers and Magicians? The King asked if these men could disclose the meaning of his dream. But, they couldn't do it. So, Daniel took charge, *“Therefore Daniel went in to Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise men of Babylon; bring me in before the king and I will show to the king the interpretation”* (Daniel 2:24). The King was going to put his advisers to death, but Daniel interpreted *the dream* and saved their lives. Then, Daniel and his friends were put in charge of the affairs of The Province of Babylon, *“Then Daniel requested of the king and he set Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon: but Daniel sat in the gate of the king”* (Daniel 2:49). *The Gate was The Place of Judgment* for the citizens of Babylon. This is reminiscent of the incident with Joseph and The Pharaoh of Egypt.

What have you learned so far? Just as at The Tower of Babel, there was a contest between *The Wise Men, The Astrologers, The Magicians* and God's Prophets (Joseph with Pharaoh). In The New Babylon, the same system existed. The King's Counsel (cabinet) was composed of both false prophets and The True Prophets

of God. The Gnostics (the spiritually knowledgeable) understood many mysteries. They made up mysteries concerning their gods. Which individuals have true wisdom? You have to see who understands God's *true mystery* about The Messiah.

The Second Dream

The King had a second dream about a great tree that grew where all creatures of the earth lived and prospered. The Tree was cut, leaving only a stump. The King brought all his wise men together but they couldn't interpret this dream for the king. This situation was like his first dream which only Daniel could tell its meaning. Daniel told him, "*Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable to you and break off your sins by righteousness and your iniquities by showing mercy to the poor; if it may be a lengthening of your tranquility*" (Daniel 4:27).

After seven years of madness, The King repented. Here are his words, "*And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes to heaven and mine understanding returned to me and I blessed the most High and I praised and honored him that lives forever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation. And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he does according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand or say to him, What does thou?*" (Daniel 4:34-35). King Nebuchadnezzar knew The Gospel of God's Kingdom just as the people did at The Tower of Babel.

The king repented and was represented as *The Head of Gold*. Each beast that followed him was inferior and deteriorated in value, down to silver, brass and, finally, iron.

What is *significant* is that *The Gnostics* (the knowing ones, the wise, or the *élites*) were *counselors* and *advisors* for The King. It is just as most world rulers do today.

Since *The Tower of Babel*, *The Gnostics* have been involved in world affairs and are still involved today. They hold the truth in *unrighteousness*! They seem *wise*, like *the élite*, but they were *self-righteous* like Job. At the end, Job, finally, *repented*. Job was like *The Gnostics*. He thought that, because he was a *righteous man*, God should treat him differently. Job said, “*I know that you can do everything and that no thought can be withheld from you. Who is he that hides counsel without knowledge? Therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not*” (Job 42:2).

That is the clearest definition of “*Gnosticism*” in a *biblical sense*. Job held *the truth in unrighteousness*. Job was *righteous*, but he was *dogmatic* in his *doctrinal teaching and understanding*. Job suffered from “*the disease of The Gnostics*.” Here is his *repentance*, “*I have heard of you by the hearing of the ear [preaching]: but now mine eye sees you. Wherefore I abhor myself and repent in dust [nothing] and ashes*” (Job 42:5-6). It couldn't be any clearer. Both Nebuchadnezzar and Job had to acknowledge *The One True SkyGod* as the

only *all-knowing Creator of all things*. The whole world knew about *The SkyGod*. Since God left *the earth*, *The Gnostics* were free to become *the chosen revelators of The Mystery of God*.

“Gnosticism” is not *“a religion.”* It is *an educational system* invented by man’s *human imaginations*. That is why God divided *the beast power*. Babylon, The Great Whore was married to another god. The god *“Baal”* became their *Master or husband*. They were *divorced* from God and they needed to have *a promised Messiah* die for them. God’s people could, in the future, become *The Bride of Christ*.

All Gnostic teachings come from many different nations such as Israel, Egypt, Ethiopia (Coptic), India, Asia and The Aztecs. For that matter, those teachings are from the four-corners of the world. All have their *Gnostics* or *wise men* who were *the knowledgeable teachers of the world*. They had been changing *the truth* through their *human imaginations*. They should have been seeking *The One True God* and His *thoughts* (Isaiah 55). By not following God, the world finds itself in Babylon and following The Great Whore. Christ admonishes His Seven Churches and Israel to *“come out of her”* (Revelation 18:4).

CHAPTER 12

MAGI AND CHRIST

God warns, *“And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken to my words which he shall speak in my name [authority], I will require it of him. But the prophet, which shall presume [interest] to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak or that shall speak in the name of other gods [human], even that prophet shall die. And if you say in your heart [desire], How shall we know the word which the LORD has not spoken [Gnostics]? When a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD has not spoken, but the prophet has spoken it presumptuously: You shall not be afraid of him”* (Deuteronomy 18:19-22).

A Prophet Of God

How did Daniel become God’s Prophet and *speaking* God’s word? After three weeks of fasting, Daniel was beside The River Hiddekel. An angel came and spoke to him saying, *“And he said to me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak to you and stand upright: for to you am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood trembling.*

Then said he to me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that you did set your heart to understand and to chasten yourself before your God, your words were heard and I am come for your words [prayers]" (Daniel 10:11-12).

The angel said he would have come earlier but he was delayed because he was fighting The Prince of Persia (Daniel 10:13). He told Daniel about God's words. *"Now I am come to make you understand what shall befall your people in the latter days: for yet the vision is for many days"* (Daniel 2:14). Daniel was chosen to be a Prophet because he humbled himself through repentance. But there is more. He *loved his people, Judah*. He was earnestly praying and fasting for them to stay in God's *grace*.

God chooses His Prophets by observing their free-choice decisions and whether they chose to follow Him. Samuel was chosen to be a Prophet when he was a fetus because of his mother. Certain individuals were chosen such as Joshua, Samuel and Jeremiah. They all came speaking The Words of God. When you repent of wickedness and seek God's *righteousness* and His *words*, you will begin to know God's *thoughts* (Isaiah 55).

The Apostle Paul said, *"Yes doubtless and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ"* (Philippians 3:8). Moses gave *The Law* (to know sin), but *grace* (forgiveness) and *truth* came by

Jesus Christ (John 1:17). Jesus said The Word of God is *the truth* (John 17:17). They are not His *words* but His Father's *words* (John 5). That is why Jesus told Satan, "*Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God*" (Matthew 4:4). Knowledge or doctrine is not enough because *doctrines* or *knowledge* will vanish (I Corinthians 13:8). *The Old Covenant* vanished away because *a new doctrine* or *knowledge* was to come. *The New Covenant* replaced *The Old Covenant* (Hebrews 10:9).

Magi Are Gnostics

***The Magi* or *Gnostics* were considered "*wise ones*" because of their *knowledge* and *superiority*. They were *the élite*, *the wise ones*, who were *the educators* of their day. These included *astrologers*, *magicians* and *the wise men*.**

Daniel was divinely knowledgeable and was *a wise one* for The King of Babylon. Remember, there is "*a divine knowledge*" from God. Then, there are Gnostics who become knowledgeable through human experiences and human learning. World rulers always look for *the most brilliant* or *wise* of their day to give them *counsel*. Who were these wise ones? God clearly tells you *the wise ones* are Prophets who foretell "*accurate counsel of things to come*" (Deuteronomy 18). The other *Gnostics* are *false*. The Apostle Paul was confronted with both true and false prophets.

There was a Gnostic group that claimed to be Apostles and were "*more important*" than Paul (I Corinthians

9). They were making *a business* out of their false *apostleship* just like Simon Magus (a Gnostic). Paul said, “*For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward [not money]: but if against my will, a dispensation [age] of the gospel is committed to me. What is my reward then? Verily that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge [no business], that I abuse not my power [take money] in the gospel*” (I Corinthians 9:17). It is pretty clear how *The Gnostics* sought their own welfare just as Simon Magus did.

Now, for *the conclusion* of *The Magi and Christ's Birth*. The Magi were The Gnostics of their day. In fact, they were *Astrologers* and were reading *the stars*. They knew enough to be able to follow *the stars* to *The Messiah*.

Herod, The King, respected these *Gnostics* because he, also, had *Gnostics* and *wise men* to counsel him. These *Magi* came from *The East*, perhaps Syria or farther *East*.

The first to be God's witnesses were *the shepherds*. They were told about Christ's birth by God's angels. Jesus is *The Shepherd of The World* who would lead His sheep. “*And there were in the same country [Bethlehem] shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night [against beasts]. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said to them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings [gospel] of great joy, which shall be to all people. For to you is born this day*

in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you; You shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men” (Luke 2:8-14). Jesus came to *Save The World* (I John 4:14).

The shepherds were true Gnostics (true knowledge seekers) because God’s *angels* told them who *The Messiah* was and that He would bring *peace* to the world.

The Magi came later, as they were directed by *astrology* (the stars). Both were *correct* and *told the truth*, but only *the shepherds* were from God as *True Witnesses of Christ*. *The Magi* (the wise men from The East) were Agnostics who knew *The Truth of The Savior*. But, they, also, worshipped *the truth in unrighteousness*. This happened in Daniel’s day with The King’s *wise men* (Gnostics).

Gnostics are *the world’s scholars* (*the super knowledgeable ones*) and are considered *wise*. They were *the elite* in their day. *The shepherds* were like Christ in the sense that they *lived by every Word of God* (Matthew 4:4). *The Shepherds* were *Witnesses of Christ* and only listened to God’s *prophecy* and not to man’s dissertation about their personal, private thinking. *The Law* demands two or three honest witnesses in order for a fact to be true (Hebrews 10:28). Christ came to *Save The World*, so it was necessary to prove Christ was The Messiah. Those who didn’t show *love* and *re-*

spect for each other were cut off from *fellowship* after they were given two or three warnings. Here is John's answer regarding Diotrephes and his insistence about being *right*, "*Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that does good is of God: but he that does evil has not seen God*" (III John 11).

John clearly writes about *the biblical requirement for disfellowship*. The Apostle Paul warns The Corinthian Church to have *nothing to do with the fornicator* who was personally doing *evil* (I Corinthians 5). He was *disfellowshipped* until he stopped sinning. If he did (stop sinning), then he was to be accepted back into God's church or family as a brother or sister "*In Christ*" (Matthew 12:50). This is what God does when His *chosen people* keep sinning and show themselves as *a wrong witness* of The One True God (Isaiah 59:1-3). God was *Holy*, so His people must become *Holy* before then can be one of His.

Babel And Magi

From The Tower of Babel to *The Magi* at Christ's birth, God rejected those who held *the truth in unrighteousness*. This is because *they are not a witness of The One True God*. *The Magi* were *Astrologers* who believed *a conjunction of the stars* would appear and reveal *The Birth of The Messiah* who came to Save The Whole World.

Check which direction you are following. There are two paths you can take. Are you on the path of those who created most of the religious doctrines from The

Tower of Babel? They are known as The Magi and The Astrologers, along with The Gnostics, who twisted so many of *the truths* taught by The Prophets and The Apostles. Or, do you emulate Jesus Christ by following The Words of God? The Word of God is *The Ten Commandments*, not embedded in stone or written on paper, but written in your heart. *The Ten Commandments* must be magnified to the point that they are in your heart. Through Christ and magnifying *The Law*, you are given the ability to keep *The Ten Commandments*. You do not even “*think*” of breaking a commandment.

Each road has many forks and sometimes you might detour from The Path of God. But, as Christians, you have only *one road* to follow. You must follow the straight and narrow path. There is only one path for you – The Path to Salvation. Then, you will be able to receive *Eternal Life*. Even The Magi were witnesses of Christ’s coming to The Gentiles, just as *the shepherds* were told by the angels to be witnesses. They witnessed The Coming of The Messiah. Christ came to Save The World. He will save everyone (I John 4:14)! Are you on the list to be saved? Only, you can make the decision to follow Christ.

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PREFACE

There have been many discussions and debates about Jesus, The Christ. Many questions concern why Christ referred to Himself as The Son of Man.

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INTRODUCTION

Why is Jesus, The Son of Man? You are about to discover that this question requires a biblical answer. History began as a prophecy regarding The Son of Man. The Word of God reveals God's people are the only humans who have the solution to this conundrum.

Philosophy

Who was Jesus? He called Himself The Son of Man, "*I am...the Son of man*" (Mark 14:62). Yet, He was, also, The Son of God. What a contradiction! Is this difference *a religious or an educational problem?*

"*Education*" is "*a philosophy*" or "*knowledge about human life.*" The Apostle Paul knew the difference, "*Beware lest any man spoil you [rob] through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world and not after Christ [the study or knowledge of life]*" (Colossians 2:8). Colossians is not speaking about how Christians choose to worship. It is speaking about what their *teachings* (doctrine) instruct regarding the existence of human life.

Listen to what Job's young friend Elihu said, "*But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty gives them understanding*" (Job 32:8). It isn't the body that makes the difference, but "*the type of Spirit*" God gives you.

The Apostles understood their human bodies were merely *tents or tabernacles*. It all has to do with what type of *house* you occupy. A person goes to a temple to worship, but he/she goes to *a school or a synagogue*

for their education. Why do you need *a temple* to worship in and *a school* to learn how to earn a living or function in life? *The synagogues* scattered around Israel were schools (not temples). When Israel *worshipped* (religion), they went to *the temple*; but, they received *education* in the local synagogue. The Elder, in charge, was a Principal as in a public school. At the time, religion and education were one and the same. You went to The Temple to worship. Then, you went to the synagogue to learn about creation.

The Torah

The Torah is not a *religious guide* on how to worship God. Until *The Law* was added to *The Torah* (four hundred and thirty years after Abraham), *a temple* was not needed to worship God. *The Torah* was only *a way of life* or *philosophy*.

The head of *the synagogue* was not a *priest* but a *principal* of a school. *The Torah* was taught as *an education about human existence* and *how to think and live*. Jewish children are considered religiously mature at 13 years of age because of the strict synagogue teaching about creation and The One True God. That is when they have their Bar (boy) or Bat (girl) Mitzvah.

Only *Priests* have anything to do with *religion* or how you *worship* God. That is why Jesus called *The Temple* “*God’s house*” or “*where one worships God.*” God’s *glory* must be there or else it wouldn’t be God’s *house*. The presence of God’s *glory* is what makes The Temple Holy. A temple without God’s “*glory*” is corrupt.

You can have *a temple*, but without God’s *presence*

(His *glory*), you do not have *The True Temple of God*. A *human temple* is not God's temple without His presence. It must have His *glory* or it's for nothing. If you have God's Holy Spirit in your human body, it is *The Temple of God* (I Corinthians 3:16). It is so clear! It matters not what *the building is*, but what is *in the building*.

Christians are *the elect* if they have God's Holy Spirit. It isn't the church building, but what is in the building that makes it *Holy*. You are *the elect* (one of the called-out ones) if God's Holy Spirit dwells "*In You*." Otherwise, you are only *a tent* or *a tabernacle* in which you reside. Only God, *as your teacher*, can give you *an understanding* of The Holy Spirit. It isn't your *body*, but what dwells in *your body* that gives you The Word of God which is His Holy Spirit. You can only be Holy by God's Holy Spirit (Luke 1:35). God's Holy Spirit is what makes Jesus Holy. Christ in *the flesh* was The Son of Man and completely human.

CHAPTER 1

WHAT KIND OF MAN?

The Latin word for “*man*” is “*Homo sapien.*” In English, it means “*a wise*” or “*knowing man.*” It is up to God to give understanding to humans with the same DNA or gene structure as Adam (Job 32:8).

Homo Erectus

From the crawling creatures (snakes) to the ones standing upright (apes), all are of the animal kingdom. Men, chimps, gorillas and orangutans are of the same hominid family and can walk on two feet. Everyone’s DNA specifies their type of *flesh* and their limited capabilities. There is a vast difference between merely being *human* and being like God. God’s purpose is to make you in His *image* (Genesis 1:26). In order to be in His image, you must be exactly like Him.

Humans are of *the animal kingdom* and were created on *the sixth day*. *Six is the number of both man and beast* (Revelation 13:18). Which are you? Are you a hominid or a *Homo sapien* destined to be in God’s *image*?

Jesus clearly told you the difference. He said *flesh is flesh* and *Spirit is spirit*. They are not the same (John 3:6). The Apostle Peter defined what the flesh (human

body) is and what *The Spirit* is. Peter plainly said, “*your human body is only a tabernacle or tent.*” *Homo sapiens* are, also, *spirit*, “*But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty gives them understanding*” (Job 32:8).

Homo sapiens are not merely *beasts*. God gave Adam and Eve the gift of *comprehension* and *the spirit to live*. When God created Adam, He put the breath of life into him. He, also, gave Adam and Eve *an intellect* like His, but with *none of the experiences of life* to make the right judgments. Humans, of themselves, cannot know the difference between *good* and *evil*.

Adam and Eve were created to become just like God. *Beasts* and *hominids* cannot be like humans. The apes can stand up and walk just like mankind, but they lack the intellect needed to comprehend and create from their imaginations. In all other respects, humans are of the animal kingdom.

Because you have the capability to reason with your intellect, you can conjure up *ideas* that can be helpful but, also, harmful. They can be harmful when you do not have experience to decipher *good* and *evil*. The choice is yours, just as with Adam and Eve.

God As Teacher

Elihu said that only God can give you *understanding* so you can come to *the true logic* of *good* and *evil*. Otherwise, you will be just like a small child without any *experience* and you will only understand *in part*. God

created everything and is **The Only One** who knows how you should *function* (Hebrews 3:4). No human, angel or any of God's creation can know what is best for mankind.

Now, you know why God is **The Only One** who knows how you should sustain yourself. Angels are not gods, but neither is any human. Jesus clearly said, "*Be you therefore perfect even as your father which is in heaven is perfect*" (Matthew 5:48).

Since *The Only One* who is *perfect* is God, then He knows how to bring humans to *fulfillment* or completeness. He is *your Father* and is **The Only One** who can reproduce everyone to be like Him (Matthew 23:9).

Spirit And Flesh

"*God is a Spirit*" (John 4:24). You must worship Him – *spiritually*. You must become *a Spirit* just like God. Until then, you are in this *flesh*, which is only *a tent* for "*The Spirit – In Man*" to dwell in. That is why Christ said *the flesh* is nothing or *useless* (John 6:63). Jesus said, "*it is only the spirit which quickens and gives life.*" Then, The Messiah concludes by saying it is *the words* He speaks which are *Spirit* and *life*. All the rest of human existence is *vanity*, as Solomon stated (Ecclesiastes 1:2).

In your *human flesh*, you seek *survival of the fittest*. The joy of life is, indeed, temporary, like any animal. Permanent happiness is elusive. God is **The Only One** who can teach you to have *eternal life* and *joy in para-*

dise. Jesus said you must live by *every Word of God* (Matthew 4:4). God's purpose is to *dwell* with mankind in His *house* on His *property*.

Kindergarten

When Adam and Eve were created, they were living in *Paradise*. God dwelt with them in The Garden. There was *no house* built, as yet, and God was The Temple for them to go to, so they could *worship* Him. There was no need for a house until a family was born. However, everything in this *garden* was *very good* (Genesis 1:31). It was *perfect* and so were Adam and Eve. They had not sinned, but did not abide by their Father's request. God gave them two responsibilities: 1) Populate the world and 2) Keep God's garden (Genesis 1:28). They were *created* to be *emperors* and *kings* over their *own families*. Their only *work* was to keep everything God had *created*, *perfectly*.

Only God can *create*. *No one else can*. The word "*created*" in Genesis 1:1 is "*ex nihilo*" in Latin, which means "*out of nothing*." Only God can make something from *nothing*. What is *real* is *forever*, but a *shadow* is only *an image* of what is *real*. A shadow is a temporary enigma of what will be real, but is only *temporary* and of *limited use* to man. Only *Spirit* is forever and *real*. Your *human body* is useless because it is *a means to an end*. Your human body is *corruptible*. "*Corruption*" is defined as "*dying*" or "*temporary*." Death is nothing more than non-existence.

The human body, truly, is of no permanent use. Peter

called it *a tent*. It is a place where your *spirit* dwells “*In You*,” but it is *not* “*you*.” Your *Spirit* is everlasting. When you die, *the flesh* rots, becomes *dust* and you become nothing, again (death). The *Spirit* goes back to God who gave it (Ecclesiastes 12:7).

Your body is not really who you are or will be. *The Spirit* God gave you is *life* and who you are. Humans are part of *the animal kingdom* and often *mimic* other animals. Which animal do you emulate? DNA can *mutate* and change into something *else*.

You can be like *a lamb* and be very temperate, easy going and non-resistant to death. Or, you can be at the other extreme like *a lion, bear* or *leopard*. You can be as furious as all three. You are *an animal* and of their *kingdom*. You choose to be either like a lamb or a leopard. If you lack *wisdom*, you can be a beast whose number is 666, which is, also, *man’s number* (Revelation 13:18). You are the same and you can choose either.

The Number 666

Science has discovered a hominid with the same genes in Africa. Mankind descended from the *Homo erectus* species, which is “*to stand erect*” in Latin. The *Homo erectus* species was an animal and not intelligent. But, there is a missing link between *beasts* and *man*. When archaeologists recreate this missing link, it looks part *beast* and part *human* (much like the elusive Big Foot). Only God gives man *Spirit* to be alive. It is, also, up to God to give you understanding (Job 32:8).

Basis Of All Humanity

God decided to make *man* in His *image* (Genesis 1:26). The Hebrew word for “*man*” is “*adamah*,” which is different than *Homo erectus*. Adam was the first *Homo sapien* who had intellectual understanding. They had free choice. They chose to decide on their own. They were innocent, not knowing what is *good* or *evil*.

Adam and Eve were the first *Homo sapiens* with intelligence. They were handsome, beautiful and perfect in *beauty* and *strength*. However, they were still motivated to survive like *all beasts*. At this stage, they didn’t know they were *naked* (Genesis 3:10-12).

From the beginning, God gave mankind *the gift of tongues* to speak and understand a language. They knew and understood God when they received life (Genesis 2:7). From their genesis, Adam and Eve were *warned* about what was safe to eat and what could kill them. They were in *kindergarten – a child’s garden* – to learn about *life* and its *purpose*.

Besides knowing what was safe or unsafe, God told them they would dominate *the whole world* and everything in it. They were to be made *King* and *Queen*. Adam, *a type of Christ*, was to be *King of Kings* and *Eve, The Mother of All Living*, was to be *The Queen of Heaven* (Genesis 1:28). God, The Creator, has given you a wonderful, godly purpose (Hebrews 3:4).

CHAPTER 2

MAKING MAN IN GOD'S IMAGE

God's angels, also known as The Heavenly Host, are His *messengers*. They are His *teachers* to help turn *humans* from flesh into spirit. Angels are *servants* of God who help *future heirs* become *spirits* and live forever. How does God and the angels make you into *Spirit*?

The Tree of Life

What is *The Tree of Life*? Jesus compared trees to humans. Each type of tree lasted for different lengths of time. There are trees which live for short periods (like some elm trees), while others live for thousands of years. An evil tree, like The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil, has a mixture of *fruit*. (You are able to know a false preacher by his fruits). Certain trees are beautiful to look at, others offer protection for the farmer's land and still others offer the gift of fruits. That is *the test* to determine whether or not you are eating from a nutritious tree.

The trees producing good fruits (real gifts) make individuals grow into healthy, prosperous and mature humans. The Tree of Life will lead individuals to *an Eternal Paradise* because they are eating from *a tree* which only produces *good fruit*. God is *The Only One*

who is *good* (Matthew 19:17). Therefore, God is The Tree of Life and is *the only teacher* who, by His *word* (preaching), knows the difference between *good* and *evil*. He knows everything (Hebrews 3:4). Only The One True God, JHVH, The Almighty Elohim, is Your *Father* and *teacher*. “*And call no man [Homo sapien] your father upon the earth: for one is your father, which is in heaven*” (Matthew 23:9).

Everyone has an earthly father and most of them give their children *earthly gifts*. Only God can give you *life eternal* with *eternal gifts*. You can know your *Father* by the *type of fruits* He gives you (Matthew 7:20). By receiving His *gifts*, you become *more and more like* Him and you learn what is *good*. God is The Tree of Life. You can, also, prove God by His *fruits* (gifts).

The Fruits (Gifts) of God

What is the greatest gift God has given you? Jesus Christ was and is the greatest gift. Christ *inherited all things* and, therefore, *owns everything* with His *Father*. Christ inherited The Word of God. He, in these *last days*, *speaks to you as The Word of God*. God, in the past, spoke to you by His Prophets, but now He speaks to you through His Son. Jesus is your only *master* who can teach you from *The Word of God*. Jesus said *the scribes* (Rabbis) and The Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat, as Prophets of God (Matthew 23:1-2).

Do what The Pharisees tell you to do but don’t follow their *works* (how they live). *The fruit* or *gifts* that The Pharisees give you do not benefit you. They do ev-

everything to benefit themselves. Their *fruits* and their *works*, only make profit for themselves. Jesus, then, declares they are not really your teachers because their personal fruits *prove they don't follow their own teachings*. All The Pharisees' "*gifts*" are for themselves. Only Jesus, your Master, gives Godly *gifts* to you. He produces *good fruits*, "*But be you not called Rabbi [Master]: for one is your Master, even Christ; And all you are brethren*" (Matthew 23:8). Jesus is in *the exact image and just like God* (Hebrews 11:3). God's Son, Jesus Christ, inherited all things and is now like His Father who is The Tree of Life, giving *eternal gifts*.

What Makes You Holy?

The next eternal gift given by both God and Jesus Christ is to make you One with them. They are giving you *fruits* which *nourish* you with *The Gift of Life*. Jesus was given God's *word* from God's very *essence* and *power* – The Holy Spirit. Here is what the angel told Mary about Christ's *birth*, "*The Holy Ghost [Spirit] shall come upon you and the power of the Highest shall overshadow [God's reproductive seed] you: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of you shall be called the Son of God*" (Luke 1:35).

Jesus, born of Mary, was a *Homo sapien* born of human *flesh*. What made Him *The Son of God* instead of *The Son of Man* (flesh) was God's *Holy Spirit*. It does the same with Christians who have *The Holy Spirit*. That is *scripturally clear and simple*. Peter wrote that *The Spirit* in Jesus and in The Prophets was the same (I Peter 1:11). What *Spirit* was it? *The Holy Ghost*

(*Spirit*) gave The Prophets, Jesus and you His Holy Spirit (II Peter 1:21). You can understand God's *word* through His Holy Spirit, which can make you *Holy*, like Jesus. God's Holy Spirit gives you God's perfection. "*For God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of power and of love and of a sound mind*" (II Timothy 1:7). Only God has those *attributes*. God's Holy Spirit is more than just *power*. It is God's *very mind, thoughts* and inner *motivation* with a sound (logical) mind. The Holy Spirit expresses all that God is.

God Has No Darkness

"*God is light and in him is no darkness at all*" (I John 1:5). Light allows *everything* to be seen clearly and, therefore, God can make *just judgments* and know *all things*, since only He *makes all things*. Nothing can come from *nothing*. Everything that "*is,*" literally, came from Him. Everything that *was, is, or will be,* comes from God. God has *no darkness*. He is not and *cannot be "nothing."* He is "*all*" and will be "*all*" because He is *everything* (I Corinthians 15:28). God cannot die. Death is *nothingness* and devoid of existence.

God is Life

Why did Jesus, when He saw a *fig tree with no fruit* (even though it wasn't the time for harvest), *curse the fig tree* forever (Matthew 21:19)? He did it because some *fig trees* produce *fruit* and some don't. *The fig tree* was a type of The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil. Some *fig trees* produce *fruit* while others don't bear any fruit. It is either *good* or *evil*. Je-

Jesus was referring to God's temple when He said, "*My house shall be called the house of prayer; but you have made it a den of thieves*" (Matthew 21:13).

God wanted to make man (Homo sapiens) in His *image* (life eternal), but the majority of mankind chose *death* (no fruit). Humans want to *survive*, but they, only, concentrate on their personal desires. Here is what God had to say, "*I am the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. God is not the God of the dead [nothing], but of the living*" (Matthew 22:32).

God is not and cannot be a God of *nothing* (death). God is *life* and only produces *life*. *Death* has no *fruit* (example of the fig tree). God and Jesus are *life* and can only produce *life*. *Death* is complete *darkness*. God made *The Son of Man* from *darkness* or a *shadow* of what *man* could be. On the other hand, Satan is *The Deceiver* – *The God of Death*. He is *darkness*, *outer darkness*.

CHAPTER 3

WHAT IS OUTER DARKNESS?

In God, there is *no darkness* – only *light* (I John 1:5). When there is *light*, a person can see and *understand* what is real. In the light, they can see *the truth*. God’s *word* is *the truth* (John 17:17). Only God has *the truth* of reality. Jesus said, “*He that has ears to hear, let him hear*” (Mark 4:9 and John 12:40). Why did He begin with such a statement?

Darkness and Light

“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters” (Genesis 1:1-3).

In *the beginning*, only *darkness* existed. In that *darkness*, there was *the deep* (water). This water was like *an ocean* covering a *formless void*. This was God’s first baptism. “*Mikveh*” in Hebrew cleansed *the darkness*. “*Ex nihilo*” in Latin means “*out of nothing*.” God made *the firmament, the heaven and the earth* (Genesis 1:1). He made it through His *Holy Spirit* which is The Word of God.

The cleansed earth was where God chose to dwell with

man (Psalm 24:1-3). Everything God created in *the seven days* was very good (Genesis 1:31). The light that permeated throughout the world was God's *goodness* (Genesis 1:4).

This goodness was God's *glory* (Exodus 33:18-19). God made a distinction between *light* and *darkness*. Darkness was *nothing*. It was *a state of death* which is *non-existence*. Darkness is *void* and *chaotic*. It is the absence of *life*, which is God's *light*. God is only for *the living* and *not for the dead* (Matthew 22:32 and Hebrews 3:4).

Jude's Prophecy

Jude warns that *the false prophets* and *one-third of the angels*, who left their *first habitation*, are just like Sodom and Gomorrah. They are to be in *outer darkness like the stars in heaven, forever*.

Jude defines *outer darkness*. Satan, with his angels and the faithless, will end up wandering in *outer darkness*. What is outer darkness? It is like being a star, *alive* and wandering in *darkness*, as God described in the beginning of creation. These *stars* wander, aimlessly, in *the darkness* with no purpose. They are at the distant end of the universe. These *stars* give off *light*, but they cannot produce *life*. They just wander in *the darkness* without *life*. They do not know or see what or who they are. They are in *outer darkness*. Outer darkness is God's *prison*. This is very similar to a human being confined in *a dungeon* with nothing to do.

Life is a state of *consciousness* and *awareness* of one's *existence*, but life is nothing but wandering in *outer darkness*. *Intelligent thinking* demands purpose and *fulfillment*. Without *purpose*, a person can become *demonic* and *psychotic*. *Being demonic* is a state of *mental awareness* without *logic*, *wisdom* or *understanding*.

Imagining oneself in an *unreal* or *psychotic state* is a *mental problem*. If you do not know *reality*, your *mind* will *create* its own *reality*. *The Bible* refers to this as being *demonic*. Their *reality* is *not the truth* of what life is about. In order for your *mind* to be in *reality*, you must *create* or *produce good works*. You must become *mature* like Jesus (Ephesians 4). He is perfect as *The Very Word of God*. He is the epitome of *The Work of God* (John 6:29).

God's work is "*Christ – In You*" (Colossians 1:27). Why? "*For the bread of God is he which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world*" (John 6:33). This is quite clear. Darkness or death was in *the beginning*. God gave His *light* (life). Jesus received that *life* from God and, now, He can *give life*. "*For as the Father has life in himself; so has he given to the Son to have life in himself*" (John 5:26).

It, finally, becomes simple. God created *life* in the beginning from *darkness* (out of nothing – "ex nihilo"). He, then, gave *life* to His *Son*. Christ, as The Son of Man, inherited *life* from God. Then, Christ gave His life for you. Christ *inherited all things* from The Father (Hebrews 1:1-3). Therefore, being One with The Father, He created all things through His *inheritance*.

It is plain and simple. When you have “*Christ – In You*” and are growing *spiritually to perfection*, you, then, become One with Christ and The Father (John 17:21).

The Human State

In the flesh, you have three alternatives or *free choices*. First, you can remain *in this world* living *the so-called good life* and *die*. Second, you can, by human effort, determine what the meaning or purpose of human life is by yourself. Your third choice is to seek God and His *thoughts* so you can think and be like Him as His *sons*. “*Remember the former things of old: for I am God and there is none else; I am God and there is none like me, Declaring the end from the beginning [Alpha – Omega] and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel [teaching – doctrine] shall stand and I will do all my pleasure*” (Isaiah 46:9-10).

God’s *plan* and *purpose* give Him *pleasure*. The goodness you have found is God. Having *joy* or *happiness* is what God is *all about*. Depression, sorrow, pain and suffering is not of God. Everything depends on your *free choice*.

You have three options:

- 1) Pursue *the pleasures* of this world.
- 2) Try to find out why you are *alive*.
- 3) Seek God’s *will* and *purpose*.

God calls those who seek the pleasures of the world *ignorant*. Those who try to find the purpose of *life* on their own are *foolish*. Finally, the wise learn from God directly and understand what Salvation is all about.

Stars From Heaven

“And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament [space]; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever [eternity] and ever” (Daniel 12:3). Biblically, you can be *the wise stars* or *the stars wandering in outer darkness*. God compares physical things to *spiritual realities*. Jesus said the same thing to Nicodemus about being *born again* (John 3). To comprehend the invisible things of God, you must behold His *creation*, which reveals Him (Romans 1:20). God likens *stars* to *living beings, the angels* and His *creation*.

Spirit is not understood by *humans*; therefore, God created the physical universe so they could comprehend *the spiritual*. Christ told Nicodemus, *“That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit”* (John 3:6). Often times, these are not humanly understandable.

Humans understand physical things while angels understand spiritual things. Both require God to teach them the difference. When you guess what is *good* and *evil*, you continually make mistakes. Satan and the angels who follow him *sin*, just like most humans.

At the time of The New Heaven and The New Earth,

God will make all things new. Satan, his angels and *the wicked* will end up in *outer darkness*. They will be like *stars wandering in the abyss of darkness* for ages and ages.

Outer darkness is God's *spiritual prison, a dungeon*, to bring those who have *demonic intellects* to drink of *the healing waters of the fountain of life*. "*And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that hears say, Come. And let him that is athirst [free choice] come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely*" (Revelation 22:17).

Those in *outer darkness* can still repent and choose *life*. It is their choice.

CHAPTER 4

FREE CHOICE

The rule of one, over another, is slavery and the sign of an anti-Christ. Christ said to The Ephesian Church, “*But this you have, that you hate the deeds [works] of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate*” (Revelation 2:6). “*Nico*” in Greek means “*to conquer*” and “*Laitanes*” means “*the Laity*.” Being masters over the Church people (conquering the Laity) is what God and Jesus hate.

Faith And Free Choice

You are saved by *faith* and that is why Paul wrote, “*For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith, as it is written, The just [righteous] shall live by faith*” (Romans 1:17). Without *faith*, all are sinners (Romans 14:23). *Free choice* is required in order to reveal one’s *faith* in God. (Read the book, *Christ In You*).

Those under *lordship*, without *free choice*, have no opportunity to exercise their *faith* in God and Christ.

A *minister* of God is a servant. “*Minister*” in Greek is “*diakonos*” which means “*a waiter or servant*.” “*Konos*” in Greek refers to “*the common people in church*” (the laity).

Chief Among You

Jesus told His Twelve Disciples, “*You know that the princes [rulers] of The Gentiles [without God] exercise dominion over them and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister [servant]...Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered to, but to minister [a servant] and to give his life a ransom [payment to buy back] for many*” (Matthew 20:25-28).

Jesus, by His own choice, was a servant. By His free choice, He gave His life for you. Christians and The Messianic Jews are to emulate The Messiah and become slaves to God. Faith demands free choice so you are free to choose and have complete liberty. “*Because the creature [creation] itself also shall be delivered from the bondage [slavery] of corruption [death] into the glorious [God’s goodness] liberty of the children of God*” (Romans 8:21). At times, you place yourself under the dominion of others to become successful. Once the goal of being taught or the work is accomplished, the slave is to be released.

In *The Book of Philemon*, The Apostle Paul urges Philemon, the master of Onesimus (a slave), to free him and give him liberty as a fellow Christian. Paul even offered to be a ransom, like Christ, to pay Philemon for his slave’s freedom. Paul reminded Philemon that he owed his life to Paul because of The Gospel. Godliness is liberty. To give *The Gift of Liberty* requires faith through “*God – In You*” and “*You – In Him.*” It

is, also, necessary to receive *Salvation*. God and Jesus know what you are thinking in *your heart*. When *your heart* is *pure* and *faithful*, you can enter *Paradise*.

God's Rest – A Guarantee

The Garden of Eden was *a Paradise*. It offered The Tree of Life and, also, gave The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil (free choice). Mankind either *honors* God through *faith* or they cannot enter *Paradise*. “*To honor*” is “*to trust*” with *absolute faith* and *without doubt*. This is the only way God can *unconditionally* promise *a Paradise*. What a loving and perfect God you have.

Everything in The Garden of Eden was very good (Genesis 1:31). Even The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil was goodness and from God's *agapé love*. *Paradise*, eternal happiness and peace (Shalom – God's rest) can only occur when everything in God's *rest* is like Jesus and God.

In Greek, “*eleutheros*” is “*liberty*” and gives complete *freedom* to everyone through *faith*. That is why God gives you *Salvation* through *faith*, which means you have absolute and complete trust “*In Him*.” That is *honoring your father*, which is The Fourth Commandment. Listen to Paul's comparison, “*Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differs nothing from a servant [slave], though he be lord [master] of all; But is under tutors and governors until the time [age] appointed of the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage [slavery] under the ele-*

ments [works] of the world: But when the fullness of the time [age] was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman [Son of Man], made under the law. To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons [from humans]. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit [Holy Spirit] of his Son into your hearts, crying Abba, Father. Wherefore you are no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ” (Galatians 4:1-7). This is the reason Jesus said He was The Son of Man over and over again. He was to be the author and finisher of your faith (absolute trust) (Hebrews 12:2).

Jesus, to be The Messiah, had to be *born as a human*. He had to give His *life as an obedient slave* to become *the body prepared for a living sacrifice* (through faith). By His *works*, it was determined that Jesus was The Messiah. “*Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very work’s sake” (John 14:11).*

No Pleasure in Sacrifice

“*In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin you have had no pleasure [joy]” (Hebrews 10:6). “Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me) to do your will, O God” (Hebrews 10:7). Until those works transpired, there was no Messiah. It was what Jesus did that made Him The Son of Man and proved to be The Messiah.*

Why was Jesus The First Begotten Son of God? In order for there to be a first son, there must be more to

come. In Greek, "*the first begotten son*" is "*mono-genos*," meaning "*the beginning one*." "*Mono*" is "*first*" and "*genos*" is "*the very genes of The Father*." Jesus was *the beginning*, just like God (Alpha and Omega). What made Jesus first? He received *The Holy Spirit of God* (Luke 1:35). The Holy Spirit made Him, *The First Begotten Son of God from birth*.

You are adopted from human parents and, then, become begotten Sons of God. Jesus, from His *birth*, received *the full measure* of God's Holy Spirit (John 3:34). Therefore, at His *birth* as The Son of Man, He was *The Very Word of God*. He had the very *essence* (DNA) of God, His Father, just like any son from a human father. Unless Jesus did *every Word of God*, He could not have been *The Messiah*. The world would have had to seek another *Messiah*, as *The Muslims and Jews* still do.

Since Jesus accomplished *The Word of God* in every aspect, He was, indeed, *The Messiah*. Until He became *the body* prepared by God, The Father had no pleasure in *sacrifices*.

He was *The Son of Man* from His *mother*, fulfilling *The Word of God, perfectly*. He fulfilled everything The Prophets and *The Law* demanded. Every *jot and tittle* was completed "*In Christ*" as prophesied (Matthew 5:17-18).

CHAPTER 5

PHILOSOPHY IS NOT A RELIGION

Jesus said, “*I am the way, the truth and the life: no man comes to the Father, but by me*” (John 14:6). Jesus, the only way to *Salvation*, is not a *religion* but, rather, a *philosophy* and a *way of life*.

What Is Religion?

Some treat *religion* and *philosophy* as if they are the same. They are not the same. In Greek, “*religion*” is “*a faith*.” Individuals follow a certain ceremony when *worshipping* their God or gods. It is the way their god chooses to be adored or recognized. They worship their gods through ritualistic acts.

The Apostle James said that in order to have *pure religion*, you must take care of the widows and orphans. Also, you need to keep yourself *unspotted* and *uncorrupted* by those in the world. James is letting you know how God, Almighty wants you to worship Him.

All Christians believe in The One True God and Father who created *all things*. Pagans believed the same. Too many times they believed in many *other gods*, as well. Polytheism (many gods) demands a person trust each god – separately. Rituals and the way of worship change according to how you think your God wants

to be honored and worshipped. This is the definition of “*religion*.” Philosophy comes from two Greek words. “*Philo*” is “*life*” and “*sophia*” is “*wisdom*.” “*A philosophy*” is “*a way of life*” by using *wisdom*. Having *wisdom* means one is *wise*, but there are two types of wisdom. There is *a worldly wisdom* and a *Godly wisdom*.

An Atheist is a person who only believes in themselves and does not believe in any God or *superior being*. They regard themselves as knowledgeable enough to decide what is *good* and *evil*. They only want to believe in themselves. Their way of life or philosophy is predicated by their own intelligence and their *own street-smart wisdom*. *An Agnostic* is not sure of the existence of any god or gods. To them, *good* and *evil* can vary. Too many times you are like Agnostics and are unsure of who your god is or how to worship.

It takes *wisdom* to know who God is. Only then, can you know how to worship Him and how to live your life. Your *religion* should be *pure* (James 1:27). “*Pure*” in Greek connotes “*a catharsis – a cleansing*.” After cleaning, what is left is *pure* and undefiled. *The Law* can keep you sinless, but Christ is The Author who tells you how to receive Salvation (Hebrews 12:2).

Jesus *magnified* and enlarged *The Law* by making it clearer so you can honor and respect The Magnified Law. The Magnified Law is God’s *righteousness*. *The Law of Moses* was based upon man’s works. The Magnified Law is the only way you can, internally, become like God. You are, then, *One with God and Christ* (John

17:20-21). Honoring God is more than merely obeying a law. It is *a way of living*. Jesus is a duplicate of The Father. You, too, can be a duplicate of your Father by following Jesus.

God will reveal your *philosophy of life* to you. It is the only way you can be like Christ and God (Hebrews 1:1-3). You are adopted from human parents to become God's very sons. You must become *the way, the life and the truth* like Jesus. God is to be "*All In All*" (I Corinthians 15:28).

The Final Dispensation

When everything is fulfilled, it will be time for The Will of God to pass (Ephesians 1:10). Everything God purposed will be completed and God, through Christ, will bring all things in heaven and earth together as "*One – In God.*"

God declares He will accomplish His personal counsel and *will*. It is God's pleasure to do so. The Will of God is His desire and based upon His pleasure (Isaiah 46:10). This is The Work of God which is Holy (undefiled) because it gives God pleasure and happiness. Only God is good and knows how to do "*good.*" His *goodness* gives Him pleasure. That is why Jesus came to do only *good works* and will never do any evil. Christ is God's *word* and goodness. That is the reason Christ can *Save The World*. He will destroy death, which is the last or final enemy of man (I Corinthians 15:26). What a wonderful gift God has planned for you.

The Beginning and End

The beginning and *end* are the same. The Alpha and Omega consist of The Goodness of God. God's goodness was offered in the beginning with The Tree of Life. *The end* will occur because of God's goodness and The Tree of Life or Salvation in The Garden. Death will be terminated and will never return. Everyone will be Spirits. The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil will not exist under The New Heavens and on The New Earth. Death will no longer exist.

All the world is *at rest* in God's Sabbath Rest. Is free choice gone? No! All will have liberty with their everlasting free choice (Romans 8:21). You are at liberty to do whatever you choose. Christians and Messianic Jews following Christ, in faith, are free to do whatever they choose to do. When you make your decision to follow Jesus, all your choices will be to do *good works*. If you sin and repent, in truth, you will receive mercy by The Blood of Christ. Under The New Heavens and on The New Earth, God makes all things new, as was His will and pleasure from the beginning.

The Gospel Of Christ

The Gospel of Christ tells you of God's *kingdom*, which He planned from the beginning. There is, also, The Gospel of Christ which is The Kingdom of God (Mark 1:15).

Christ's *Good News Gospel* was written by The Prophets. "*Behold, I send my messenger before your face,*

which shall prepare your way before you” (Mark 1:2). **John, The Baptist, in The Spirit of Elijah, announced The Coming of The Messiah. This is written in Malachi 3:1.**

The Messiah has been preached from the beginning in Genesis 3:15. Satan has been an enemy of Eve’s children from the beginning (Genesis 3:20). Satan persecutes the promised human seed of Eve and, then, this Seed shall bruise Satan’s head. “*The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God* [The Promised Seed]” (Mark 1:1). **But, you are about to discover this Son of Man is a great mystery.**

CHAPTER 6

THE MYSTERY OF GOD

“Christ – In You” is The Mystery of God and reveals The Hope of Glory (Colossians 1:27). (Read the book, *The Mystery Of God*). You are about to discover why Jesus called Himself “*The Son of Man.*”

Prophets And Angels

The Apostle Peter wrote that even The Prophets of Old did not know who The Messiah would be (1 Peter 1:11-12). They had no idea when He would come or who He would be. They did know He would suffer. However, they understood *the glory* that would follow. Even the angels wanted to know who The Messiah would be and when The Messiah would come. Enoch was the seventh Prophet and preached Christ would come with ten thousand of God’s saints (angels) (Jude 14-15). Enoch knew there was *a Time of Judgment*. From the beginning, they knew The Gospel of Christ. They understood the entire Gospel of The Kingdom of God. *The Mystery* was when and how The Kingdom of God would come. Peter concludes that, in his day, the saints would understand The Mystery of God.

A Son Of Man

Why was Jesus, The Son of Man? The Pharisees and

The Sadducees tried to tempt Jesus into showing them a sign. Christ warned His Disciples not to follow The Pharisees and The Sadducees' doctrine or teachings. The Disciples were asked something very significant, "*Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?*" (Matthew 16:13). "*And Simon Peter answered and said, You are the Christ, the Son of the living God*" (Matthew 16:16). Christ was professing that He, *a son of man*, born of a woman Mary, was a special type of human. This *Son of Man* was different than other humans. His Disciples answered, "*And they said, Some say that you are John the Baptist: some, Elias [Elijah]; and others, Jeremias or one of the prophets*" (Matthew 16:14). Then He asked them, "*But whom say you that I am?*" (Matthew 16:15). Peter replied, "*You are the Christ, the Son of the living God*" (Matthew 16:16).

And Jesus answered and said to him, "*Blessed are you, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood has not revealed it to you, but my Father which is in heaven*" (Matthew 16:17).

So, God revealed The Mystery of God to Peter, which the early Prophets did not understand. The angels, also, wondered about this mystery. From The Time of The Tower of Babel, the world accepted their kings or emperors and considered them divine. They were confused and thought, perhaps, one of their man-made gods could be The Messiah to come.

The Romans held The Jews in captivity. The Jews looked for The Messiah to free them. Their anticipation was evident by The Coming of *The Magi* at The

Birth of Christ and giving The New Born, Jesus, royal gifts. That is why Jesus was a bit surprised when The Pharisees and Sadducees wanted a sign. Only God's saints are permitted to accept this Son of Man as their *Savior*.

You must come to *repentance* and when you are teachable, God's *truth* will be given. God only teaches His doctrine to those who are humble and eager to learn.

To whom will God teach knowledge (truth) (Isaiah 28)? He will only teach it to "*Babes – In Christ*" who are eager to learn because they know nothing and want to learn everything they can. That is when a person becomes *teachable*. "*And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual, but as to carnal [human] even as to babes in Christ*" (I Corinthians 3:1). There is your answer.

Jesus, *from birth*, was given God's Holy Spirit *without measure*. *The truth* was revealed to Him from *the time* He was *born as a human*. He was completely *flesh* and tempted in every way like you are. God's Holy Spirit gave Him *a sound mind* with *wisdom*, but He still had to have *faith* (Luke 1:35). He was *The Son of God* from birth and you, too, are to be Sons of God when you receive God's Holy Spirit.

Jesus did not have to *repent* because He never *sinned*. What *faith*! What an example for you! He didn't even have to be baptized; but, in order to complete *all righteousness*, it was necessary. He left you *a perfect example of absolute faith* (Matthew 3:15).

Jesus was The Christ through His *faith*, which His *works* manifested. That is why He told you, “*if you don’t believe Him, then, believe His works.*” You are to emulate *how He lived* His life (John 14:11). He was *The Torah – the path* to follow. He was The Way to Life.

He was *The Son of Man*, born of *the flesh* like all humans, and He chose only *good*. You and all mankind choose between *good* and *evil*, as well. Are you going to choose the evil path or do good?

It’s All About Faith

How *faithful* was Jesus? “*And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness and the first begotten of the dead and the prince of the kings of the earth. To Him that loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood*” (Revelation 1:5). Jesus was The Messiah and The Christ because of His *faith* in God.

Jesus, from birth, as The Son of Man, was *tempted* in every way, as you are, but was *perfect* because of His *faith* in God. “*For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling [emotions] of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin*” (Hebrews 4:15). How wonderful. God’s plan is so beautiful. Do you understand? Jesus was completely human in every way. His *divinity* came through having The Holy Spirit from *birth*. That is what made Him *Holy*, but He *lived “the truth”* He was given from *birth*. It is the same as when you receive The Holy Spirit.

Born Sinless By Faith

This is an amazing truth about Jesus. It wasn't The Holy Spirit which made Jesus *perfect*, rather it was His *faith*. Christians and Messianic Jews must have this faith. You must come before God as *babes* and He will bestow His *knowledge* upon you through His Holy Spirit. Christ showed *faith* from His *first breath* as *The Son of Man*. God did not wait for Jesus to mature to prove His *faith*. He had to be *faithful from birth*. His *faith proved* He was The Messiah. There was a possibility, but not a probability that He could have *failed* as The Son of Man. Now, you can understand why Jesus was The Son of Man.

God prophesied that *one* of Eve's *seed* would come to destroy Satan (Genesis 3:15). Abraham could have been *The Promised Seed* because he *obeyed* God's *voice* (Genesis 26:5). One mistake Abraham made was to listen to Sarah, his wife, and have *an illegitimate seed* from Hagar, her maid. Abraham was *a sinner*. Jesus was not.

Jesus, from birth, not only lived *every Word* of God as He grew spiritually, but He was also *sinless*. "*And the child grew and waxed [became] strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him*" (Luke 2:40). This verse reveals the childhood of Christ. Just as you grow *spiritually*, Jesus, also, had to grow *spiritually*.

As a child, Jesus was filled with *wisdom* and constantly had to make choices like you do. Christ always chose

The Tree of Life and God's Holy Spirit. He always refused **The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil** (human nature).

Jesus was full of God's *grace* (mercy). He was growing like any human child and was only held responsible for what He knew (John 9:41). He was always ready to forgive others. He was full of God's *mercy*.

Christ called Himself *The Son of Man* over fifty times in *the scriptures*. He wanted everyone to know that through Mary, his earthly mother, He was made completely human like everyone else. He, as The Son of Man, could do nothing in the flesh. God did the work, which showed Jesus' complete *faith*. "*Verily, verily, I say to you, The Son [a human] can do nothing of himself, but what he sees the Father do [Holy Spirit]: for what things soever he does, these also do the Son likewise*" (John 5:19). Jesus, as The Son of Man, could not do anything of Himself. He was a total human being guided by God's Holy Spirit. As God's Holy Spirit revealed *the truth, in faith*, He would do the same work as His Father did. That is *true faith*. Jesus was The Messiah because He witnessed *faith* and chose to do whatever His Father told Him to do. You must exercise *the same faith*. Jesus came to save (restore) what was *lost – The Tree of Life* (Matthew 18:11).

CHAPTER 7

THE AUTHOR OF SALVATION

Everyone should now know Jesus is *The Author* of your *Salvation*. He wrote the book on it. He is *The Torah Law, The Way* and *The Truth to Life, forever*. As *The Son of Man* (human), He did what no other man ever did or could do.

To The Jew, Then The Greek

The Jews were to be *the first*, then, became *the last*. Once again, The Jews will be *the first* to understand God's Mystery, which is "*Christ – In You*" (Colossians 1:27). This occurs at The Seventh Trump when Jesus returns to restore The Kingdom of God (Revelation 10:7).

The Time of The Gentiles, without God's rule, will be over and The Bride will be ready to be Christ's *wife* (Revelation 19:7-8). The Groom cannot return until The Gentile Rule ends in chaos. It will allow The Bride to complete her time of judgment and prove her worthiness to be *the wife*. Human governments, by their own *free choice*, always fails. The Bride (The Remnant of Israel and The Gentiles) will *love* Jesus as much as He *loved her*. God will not let His Son *return* to be *engaged* until The Bride proves she is, also, *faithful*. Only then, can they marry.

The Engagement Period

In the first resurrection, besides The Bride being given *Life Eternal*, all Israel will be resurrected. (Read the book, *The Wedding Feast*). ***The Kingdom of God* will rule the earth with *The Twelve Tribes of Israel* witnessing The Truth of God and the coming Wedding Feast under The New Heavens and on The New Earth. Satan will be imprisoned in *Tartaroo* (outer darkness), which is God's prison, for one thousand years.**

During The Millennium, *The Mystery of God* will be preached to *the whole world*. This preaching will be led by Christ, His Bride, God's people and Israel. At that time, the rest of Israel can be saved (Romans 11:26).

The Temple of God will be restored with His *glory* and *presence* and will rule the world with Christ as The King of Kings (Ezekiel 40-48). The Truth of God will be preached to all nations. The nations will be given *the first chance* to know The Mystery of God ("*Christ – In You*"). Everyone in the world will be *invited to The Wedding Feast* – both *good* and *bad* (Matthew 22:9-10 and Revelation 20).

Satan will be released when the entire world knows *The Truth of God*. Just before The White Throne Judgment, God allows *the whole world* their *final choice*. All will turn to The Truth of God except Gog and Magog, who are The Rebellious Ones on the earth. They attack Jerusalem, which has no *walls* and *no defense*, but they are destroyed by *lightning* from God.

The White Throne Judgment

God's *Three Faithful Witnesses* are Christ (The First Witness and Judge), The 144,000 of The Tribes of Israel (except Dan) and *The Countless Number of Gentiles* (Revelation 7).

*The trial begins with *The Three Witnesses* of God followed by The Queen of Sheba. Even The Ninevites will witness against those who committed *the unpardonable sin*. What is *the unpardonable sin*? “*But I say to you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment*” (Matthew 12:36). The unpardonable sin isn't *the sins* committed by an individual, but rather *the words that deny the truth*. “*For by your words you shall be justified and by your words you shall be condemned*” (Matthew 12:37). What are these words? “*And whosoever speaks a word against the Son of Man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaks against the Holy Spirit [The Truth], it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come*” (Matthew 12:32). *The unpardonable sin is the rejection of God's Holy Spirit*. Jesus will forgive all manner of sin. “*Wherefore I say to you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven to men: but the blasphemy [rejection] against the Holy Ghost [Spirit] shall not be forgiven to men*” (Matthew 12:31).*

The unpardonable sin is missing the mark and rejecting The Truth of God. Sin isn't the issue because Christ died for the sins of the world. “That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven and things in earth and things under the earth [graves]; And

that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord” (Philippians 2:10-11). Read the process of how everyone is saved (Romans 10:9-13). Finally, at The White Throne Judgment, “*For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved*” (Romans 10:13). At The White Throne Judgment *every knee shall bow and confess that Jesus is The Lord* (Philippians 2:9-11). God will give everyone a chance to repent.

When those who committed *the unpardonable sin* of rejecting God’s Holy Spirit confess, they fully understand that they will go into The Lake of Fire. They are like *goats*, kicking, weeping and gnashing their *teeth*, pleading for *mercy*. They go into The Lake of Fire to *purge* their resistance and, finally, give their *lives* as Christ did, as well as, those who have been invited to The Wedding Feast.

They need to *purge the unpardonable sin* from their *mouths*, like Isaiah when he had the angel *purge sin* from his mouth with *fire* from *the sacrificial altar* (Isaiah 6:1-7). What you *say, think and do* will change you when you go through *the fiery trial* as Peter wrote (I Peter 4:17).

Christians and The Messianic Jews, now, have their *Time of Judgment*. This is your time for *The White Throne Judgment*. If you remain *faithful* to the end of your life, then there is *no death for you*. “*Verily, verily, I say to you. He that hears my word [spoken] and believes on him that sent me [God], has everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation [judgment]; but is passed from death to life*” (John 5:24). **Wow!**

Death, The Last Enemy

The earth, when conquered, is God's footstool. He does so through The Son of Man – His Son. Jesus is the one to destroy all of God's enemies as King of Kings. *“Then comes the end, when he [Christ] shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority [given by God] and power. For he [Jesus] must reign, till he has put all enemies under his feet [footstool]. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death”* (I Corinthians 15:24-26).

When does Jesus destroy and eliminate death? *“And when all things shall be subdued to him [even death], then shall the Son also himself be subject to him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all”* (I Corinthians 15:28). Do you get it? Jesus cannot return control of The Kingdom to God until *death is gone*. Does it mean death no longer occurs or there is *no death*? To answer this question you must go to *the beginning*.

Alpha And Omega

God clearly reveals only He, no one else, is God, The Beginning (Alpha) and The End (Omega) (Isaiah 46: 9-10). Jesus, The Son of Man, inherited The Word of God (Hebrews 1). He is, also, The Alpha and Omega. *“And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first [Son of God] and the last. Blessed are they that do*

his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life and may enter in through the gates into the city (Revelation 22:12-14).

Jesus came to *save* (restore) what was *lost* (The Tree of Life). Why does Christ restore The Tree of Life so individuals can enter New Jerusalem? Read the purpose of Jesus and The Tree of Life (Matthew 18:11). “*And we have seen and do testify* [witness] *that the Father sent the Son to be the Savior of the world*” (I John 4:14).

In order for Christ to *save the world*, there can be *no death*. Everyone must be given *life as a gift*. They must have access to *The Tree of Life*. This is exactly what happens under The New Heavens and on The New Earth when God makes “*all things new*” (Revelation 21:5-6). God, The Father will dwell with *men*. But, what will He do? He gives everyone access to The Tree of Life and The Fountain of Healing Waters. No one will be denied. You will once again be at a *new beginning* where everyone can drink from these Waters of Life – freely. Free choice is now offered to all of Adam and Eve’s progeny. There will be no more death. *The Potential for Salvation* continues under The New Heavens and on The New Earth. The Bride (Christ’s wife) and God’s Holy Spirit will continue to offer The Waters of Life, *freely* (Revelation 22:17).

The Son of Man was born of Mary. If Christ had one hundred sheep and lost one, He would search to find the one lost. Of all who were given Him, He *lost none* except Judas. Judas Iscariot must go into The Lake

of Fire to be purged. God is a Glorious, Loving, Wonderful Father. And, Jesus is just like Him (Hebrews 1:1-3).

God is to be “*All In All.*” *The real trinity will be as Christ, The Son of Man said, “That they all may be one; as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be one in us [God’s Mystery]: that the world [everyone] may believe that you have sent me” (John 17:21). The Trinity is more than just a Trinity. It includes: 1) God, 2) Jesus, and 3) The entire world.*

Praise be to God and His Son Jesus, The Christ, The Son of Man. It will, indeed, be a wondrous world. There will be no sadness, pain, abuse, bickering, gossip, sickness or death. There will only be the multiplying of growth and success each and every day for everyone for Eternity. The quicker you have faith – the quicker Christ can return. Christ is waiting for you to repent and change. When you do, it will hasten The Return of Jesus Christ.

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PREFACE

The Testimony of The Messiah (Jesus) is a Witness of Prophecy (Revelation 19:10). The Apostle John wrote *The Book of Revelation* and *The Gospel of John*. In *The Book of Revelation*, John reveals the identity of *The Word*. “*For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ*” (John 1:17).

The Law of Moses defined sin, but it could not give grace (mercy) or truth (I John 3:4). Jesus witnessed the truth and came to testify to *the truth*.

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INTRODUCTION

Every witness who comes to testify in a trial, in a Court of Law, gives their testimony. What is astounding about Christ's *testimony* is how He came to witness The Word of Truth and to give *grace*. Just before Jesus was crucified to pay for The Sins of The World, He said, "***Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out***" (John 12:31). In this coming *trial*, Satan will no longer be allowed to be the prosecutor of this world. Furthermore, he will no longer be allowed before God's *throne*. Judgments are brought before a King's *throne*. From that time, there was no need for a court. The King watched, then, gave a judgment when needed.

Job was a righteous man but Satan accused him. Job did have lessons to learn, but they caused him many penalties. After Christ paid for everyone's sins, Satan could no longer come before God's *court* and accuse any of God's *people*. From that time on, Satan became The Devil – "***a destroyer of The People of God***" (II Corinthians 4:4). "***And I, if I be lifted up*** [crucified] ***from the earth*** [to God], ***will draw all men to me***" (John 12:32). This is a wonderful promise that you need to understand and expect in the future. Satan can no longer accuse God's *people* of sin. Jesus, in His *testimony*, is telling you a prophecy about how He will draw the whole world to Himself. Jesus truly came to pay for the sins of everyone and to heal The World from the penalty of their sins. Once you begin to understand *the truth*, Jesus will heal you (Matthew 13:15). As long as you do not understand The Truth of God (revealing all the ramifications of sin), you are considered not guilty in The Court of God. Jesus has great under-

standing and great love for all of God's creation. This is exactly what Jesus told The Pharisees, "*Jesus said to them, If you were blind, you should have no sin: but now you say, We see; therefore your sin remains*" (John 9:41). You, indeed, have a great and loving Father. If one has no participation in committing a crime, then how can that person be held responsible, especially when they did not know a crime was committed?

Once Jesus defeated Satan (the deceiving prosecutor), He could no longer, falsely, try to indict God's *people*. As The Devil, he, now, tries to destroy them through persecution and martyrdom. As Peter said, "*Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walks about, seeking whom he may devour*" (I Peter 5:8). Satan knows, he only, has a short time to be *the god of this world*. Here is Peter's answer, "*Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you*" (I Peter 4:12). Here is how God's *people* endured suffering, pain and death in this world, "*Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls [lives] to him in well doing, as to a faithful Creator*" (I Peter 4:19).

Sin Is Destroyed

Jesus is The First Faithful Witness. He was resurrected from the dead as The Firstborn Son of God (Revelation 1:5). Therefore, He is *The Author* or *The One* who reveals the truth about the destruction caused by sin. Furthermore, He is your Salvation (Hebrews 12:2). Jesus is The Messiah, your Savior. Everyone needs to become like Jesus (to be saved) (Ephesians 4:13). His "*testimony*" is "*the witness of His life.*" It

fulfills the function of *the spirit of prophecy*. With His death, Jesus destroyed all sin upon the earth. Consequently, His life reveals the truth. What truth? Here is the answer, “*Sanctify them [the spirits] through your truth: your word is truth*” (John 17:17). Christ is praying to God and states “*truth*” is “*The Word of God.*” Jesus, when on the earth, was The Father’s *very word to mankind*. *The Bible* tells you so. Do you believe your *Bible*? “*He that believes on me, believes not on me [Jesus’ word], but on him [God] that sent me*” (John 12:44). “*For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment [Deuteronomy 18:18], what I should say and what I should speak. And I know that his [God’s] commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said to me, so I speak*” (John 12:49-50).

The Word in John 1 is God, The Father’s “*word*” and became “*Christ,*” *in the flesh*. Christ was The Word of God who created all things when He became The First Begotten Son of God. He was God, The Father’s *word* in the flesh. Jesus was The Light or Truth of The World. Read the prophecy which God gave to Moses about Jesus (Deuteronomy 18). God was teaching the world through Christ and His Holy Spirit (Luke 1:35). You, now, are required to discover, *biblically*, why The Testimony of The Messiah is *The Spirit of Prophecy*. Furthermore, this prophecy is history. It is history told in advance.

CHAPTER 1

LIFE AND DEATH

Did God create death? “*God is not the God of the dead, but of the living*” (Matthew 22:32). The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is The God of The Living. If God can only be of *the living*, then He cannot cause death. Death is not from God. When you die (because you sin), does God put you to death?

Adam And Eve’s Sin

What was Adam and Eve’s sin? When there is no law, *sin* is not implemented (Romans 5). *A law*, with a penalty, curse or judgment, must exist before a sin can be imputed. One must transgress *a law* with a penalty connected to it so it can be enforced (I Timothy 1:7-10). Adam and Eve broke no law, but sinned by *missing the mark of life*. They made the wrong choice. God commanded them not to eat from The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil because they would die as a result. They did not die by ordinary means because God *did not* put them to death. They died naturally, because God could not give them *The Gift of Life*. They were babes and were just not ready.

They made a wrong decision which ended in death. God never caused them to die. Why not? Since there

was no law for murder, Cain was not killed when he murdered Abel; but he did lose *Eternal Life*. It was the same situation for Adam and Eve. Cain felt that the penalty or judgment which he had been given was more than he could bear. He spent the rest of his life seeking repentance. He knew his life would end, *automatically*, in death when he got old and not by God. Why does sin, *even without a law*, result in death? The answer may surprise you. God did not make a *covenant* against murder until *the flood* of Noah. It is called The Noachian Covenant. *Circumcision* (Genesis 17) and *the rainbow* (after a downpour) (Genesis 9) sealed this *covenant* between mankind and God. This was the first law against murder.

Murder And Killing

The Ten Commandments clearly condemns murder. Yet, God advocates killing humans for certain reasons. Isn't God breaking His own *Commandments*? No! "*Killing*" when one cannot bring a person back to life is "*murder*." Since God can resurrect the dead, He does not commit murder. Killing becomes murder whenever the perpetrator cannot resurrect the victim. Humans murder, but God does not. That is why God said, "*I form the light and create darkness: I make peace and create evil: I the LORD do all these things*" (Isaiah 45:7). "*Evil*" in Hebrew means "*to harm*." When God flooded *the world* in Noah's day, He killed mankind, but He did not murder them. That flood of Noah was a baptism of all who were killed. This is because they will be resurrected. Since God is The God of The Living, His purpose is to give *life* to everyone. Always

remember, Christ was sent to *Save The World* (I John 4:14). God deplores death. Death is caused by sin and *The Law* reveals what sin is (I Corinthians 15:55-57). Death is the state of non-existence. Only God can give life.

Through Christ's sacrifice, all sin will be destroyed. It will be the end of death (I Corinthians 15:54 and Isaiah 25:8). Paul took this prophecy right from the writings of The Prophet, Isaiah. Death is not of God. Death is the absence of life. It is the result of the free choice (decision) to eat from the wrong tree. That is how Adam and Eve missed the mark of life and chose death. From that point on, only God could resurrect them and give them "life" as a gift. Before *the beginning*, there was only God and nothing else. "Nothingness" is "nonexistence," which translates into "death."

What Is Life?

Only God has life within Himself. Jesus said He did not have life and had to receive it from God, His Father. It is the same with any son who receives life from his father. Jesus said, "*For as the Father [God] has life in himself; so has he given to the Son to have life in himself*" (John 5:26). Life only comes from God who has *life*. He gave life to His Son, who will give *life* to you.

If God, alone, has *life* and Jesus was given *life*, then *life* is something that humans do not have. It is a gift. A gift is not a present if one already has it. That is why there is no immortal soul. Jesus said, "*And fear*

not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell” (Matthew 10:28). Humans can kill a person’s body, but they cannot kill their soul. God can destroy both your body and your soul (life). By not being able to give *life*, you cannot be classified as a physical body. Your soul, however, is not immortal. Therefore, God can destroy it. Jesus explains this clearly.

Your *soul* or *life* is something outside of your human body. The fleshly *soul* or *life* can cease to exist. Hence, it is not immortal. ***“The Spirit is life”*** (Romans 8:10). Your body is *a tent* in which you, temporarily, dwell (II Peter 1:14). The Spirit of Life or breath from God makes you *a living being*. In Hebrew, the word is ***“ruach,”*** or ***“God’s breath,”*** which gives *The Spirit of Life* to your body. When you die God takes back His Spirit (Ecclesiastes 12).

Physiologically, the body is completed when it begins to function in *a mobile sense*. The body will have *life* from The Spirit of Life, which God breathes upon each human at birth. Within the womb, the fetus functions because of the mother’s *nourishment*. *The Spirit* from God is *a Gift of Life* to energize your body. The Holy Spirit nourishes you by giving God’s *truth – the word* (Matthew 4:4). This is exactly what, physiologically, occurs when a male sperm (*life*) enter the mother’s womb.

Upon death, *the life spirit* goes back to God who gave it (Ecclesiastes 12:7). Until God gives the body *a spiri-*

tual body, this life spirit (which is “you”) sleeps and waits to be glorified at The Resurrection (I Corinthians 15:43-44). “*The Spirit – In Man*” requires a body for it to become an individual that has life. In a spiritual body, that *life spirit* from God will become *Eternal*. Life is God. Only God, your Father, has *life* which He can give you as a *gift*. As a human, you do not have *Eternal Life*. God must give *life*. It is not a right. It is a *gift* from God which is given to you. After that, the body will be given *Life Eternal* in The Resurrection. Death is not of God. Since only God has *life*, humans do not own, nor do they have *any rights to life*. Plainly and simply, “*life*” can only come from The One who is “*the primary owner of life.*”

Since *life* comes from God, then, *life* can only be given by Him. Since God is *love*, then The Will of God is to give *life* to the world (I John 4:14). It is a gift from God because only God has it to give. *Death* is not *The Will of God*. *Death* is the result of everyone exercising *free choice* when they reject *life* (but eventually, in the long run, God will give them *Eternal Life*). God gives *life* when you grow, *spiritually*. Only you can cause your own death by the choices you make. Since you do not have *life* from yourself, you are the one who causes your own death by all the choices you make (not by God). Whether you die or not, it is your choice, just as Adam and Eve.

The Testimony of The Messiah (Jesus) is the prophecy of God’s *predestined plan* to make you Holy, according to His *will* or *desire*. Eventually, you will stand without blame before Him (Ephesians 1:4). Here is what

God plans to do, “*Declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying My counsel shall stand and I will do all my pleasure*” (Isaiah 46:10). Paul and Isaiah are in total agreement when you read, “*In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who works all things after the counsel of his own will*” (Ephesians 1:11).

God is *life* and has no death in Him. Death is your choice. It is the reason why God wants you to choose *life*. Your human life is your experience, so you can become like God (kind after kind). Just as you receive *life* (temporarily) through your physical parents, you are adopted by God to become His Son. God is destined to be All In All (I Corinthians 15:28). At that time, God will give you The Gift of Eternal Life because, then, a literal Paradise will become a reality. You will be just like Him and you will be able to walk together, *eternally* (Amos 3:3).

CHAPTER 2

ALPHA AND OMEGA

God Almighty announces *“I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending”* (Revelation 1:8). Then, Jesus declares, *“I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last”* (Revelation 22:13). How can this be? Was God, The Almighty, The Creator or was it Jesus who did the creating? What is the true answer?

Declares The Father

Jesus answers *“all the doubting Thomases”* about who He was by saying, *“If you had known me, you should have known my Father also: and from henceforth you know him and have seen him”* (John 14:7). These are *powerful words*. When you see Jesus and His *life*, you actually see God, The Father. Christ states why He is exactly like God, *“Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works’ sake”* (John 14:11). Jesus was The Savior, not because of His *person*, but because of His *works* which came from God’s Holy Spirit.

Do you perceive Christ’s *words*? Jesus said *“the words He speaks are The Words of God”* (Paraphrased). Hence, *“The Word”* was God. God is The Word, which was Jesus (who became *“The Word”*) (John 1:1). Al-

ways remember, The Mystery of God was hidden for thousands of years. Now, you can get a small clue to that *mystery*. Why is this? It is simply because Christ clearly states how He speaks God's *words* and He is, therefore, "*one and the same with God.*" They are *one in mind, heart and spirit*; therefore, they do those same works because God is "*In Christ.*" How is this?

Jesus discloses a serious contrast. He shows that when compared to the works He had done, His Disciples will do even greater works (John 14:12). This is amazing! Jesus and His Father are *one* through all The Words of God. Christians are to do the same. You, as an heir, can speak *The Word of God*. Christ reveals how you can speak The Very Words of God, "*And I will pray the Father and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever. Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it sees him not, neither knows him: but you know him; for he dwells with you and shall be in you*" (John 14:16-17). The Spirit of Truth (God's Holy Spirit) reveals the truth to you. Christ gives you *grace and truth* (John 1:17). What is truth? "*Thy [your] word is truth*" (John 17:17). *The Word of God is God's Holy Spirit*. They are one and the same.

Christ, as The Word of God, became flesh (human) when He was made human. He was God's First Begotten Son. The Very Words of God were given to Him at His human birth. This means He inherited God's "*word*" (Hebrews 1:1-4). Christ, before becoming flesh, was *The Word of God*. "*And the angel answered and said to her [Mary], The Holy Ghost shall*

come upon you and the power of the Highest [God] shall overshadow you: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of you [Mary] shall be called the Son of God” (Luke 1:35). What made Jesus *Holy* was *The Power of God*, which is *The Holy Spirit*. That *Holy Spirit* is *God’s Holy Spirit*, which is *truth*. Wow! How clear and simple! Is this perspective not as “*clear as a bell*” and “*as simple as apple pie?*”

God and Christ are “*One*” through *The Holy Spirit*, which is *The Word of Truth*. Christians with *God’s Holy Spirit* are all *Sons of God*. Jesus shows you the example by being *God’s First Begotten Son*. You can become *One* with Christ because God has declared it is so.

Author Of Salvation

If Christ hadn’t pleased God, then He would not have been *The Author of Your Salvation*. Jesus had to grow in *wisdom* and become strong in *Spirit* (Luke 2:40). He was baptized by John, *The Baptist* to fulfill *God’s plan of righteousness*. Jesus already had *God’s Holy Spirit* from birth. As your *Author of Salvation*, He walked along *the path to righteousness*. Baptism is the first step. It is the first step because it is your choice to let God change your mind to become like Him! Baptism signifies your death to become like Jesus who is like God.

What made His *crucifixion* different than anyone else’s *crucifixion*? First of all, He was filled with *God’s Holy Spirit* from birth, which led Him to *the truth*. Jesus

was The Word of God, just as you have, *scripturally*, proved. He spoke only God's *word* and always did His Father's *will* (John 5:30).

Since no one has seen The Father or heard His *voice* (His *word*) (John 6:46), Christ came to reveal The Father (Israel, His chosen people, were not even allowed to pronounce God's name, which is "JHVH").

Christ's *sacrifice* was "*the body prepared by God.*" It was an acceptable sacrifice because God did the work. God, by His Holy Spirit, wrote His *Law* (*The Torah*) in Jesus' heart and mind (Hebrews 10:5,16). He truly was The First Begotten Son and is, then, The Author of Your Salvation (Hebrews 12:2). He not only is The Author or The Beginner, He is, also, The Finisher of Your Faith. He, as The Word of God, was The Alpha and Omega. He was God, in the flesh, to be glorified at His *Resurrection*. He is in the exact image of His Father, which is "*kind after kind*" (Hebrews 1:1-3).

As The Author of Salvation, Jesus lived the life that points to who and what God, His Father's, *attributes* were like. At The Resurrection, you will be glorified to be like Him (I Corinthians 13:12). Jesus came to reveal The One True God, Elohim, The Almighty God who builds everything. As Christ, The Anointed One, He manifested His Father as The Son of Man (in the flesh). God was revealing His Great Love through His Firstborn Son. Jesus was The Christ because God authorized "*the prepared body,*" which revealed The Father's *greatness* and *agapé love* for you. Jesus and God are "*One.*"

In the not too distant future, you, also, will be able to become “*One*” with God. Then, God can be “*All In All*” (I Corinthians 15:28). Christ’s sacrifice paid for everyone’s sins. God caused it to happen through The Holy Spirit, which shows it was from God. With “*God – In You,*” you will be The Alpha and Omega through Jesus Christ. Have you come to understand why God can guarantee Paradise, *eternally*, for everyone He created?

CHAPTER 3

GOD'S PREDESTINED BIBLICAL STORY

How does God make *a covenant with man* regarding an Eternal Paradise? There will be billions of Spirit *beings*, each with their individual minds and hearts, living in *eternal joy* and *bliss*. Formerly, each had their own thoughts and desires, yet now, somehow, each will be able to live in *eternal peace* and *supreme pleasure*. How can that be?

God's Work And Man's Work

The parable of "*the lost son*" is about two sons with a wealthy Father. One son wanted his part of the inheritance before his father died. He wanted to do his *work* his *way*, instead of living by and serving his father. His father agreed to give him his inheritance, so he struck out on his own, attempting to find his own way to success. The son who stayed, obeyed his father. Eventually, the son who left, squandered his inheritance and ended up taking care of pigs. Pigs are unclean animals and are considered very unworthy. Disgusted with his life (after losing all his money), he realized how much better off he would be back at home. He returned home and asked his father to give him any type of work. The father was overjoyed at just seeing his son, again. He held *a great feast* be-

cause *his lost son* had returned. But this caused a big problem with his other son. *The faithful son*, who had stayed with his father, thought it wasn't fair. The father made a startling statement. He told *the faithful son* that he would have everything that the father possessed. His brother, who was thought to be dead, was back; and was accepted by his father with joy. The parable has a significant point. The derelict son was as good as dead. He lost his life by deciding to leave his father's house. This parable reveals that there are those who must *bottom out* before they can ask for help. Then, they are ready to listen and honor God, The Father!

God's House of Sabbath Rest is being built at this time. This Eternal House is a Paradise. All of man's attempts to build *a house* for God have failed (Hebrews 3:1-4). The houses by Adam and Eve, King Solomon, King Herod and The Tabernacle by Moses were all built on sand (by human works). Consequently, their effort failed when tested by trials and tribulations. The winds and storms came and washed each human house away. Jesus built His *house* upon a rock and it prevailed. Jesus relied upon *the true rock* by following *the words* and *the will* of His Father (God). Jesus and His Father, The One True God, are the only ones who builds all things. The Garden of Eden, Moses and King David's *house* (built by Solomon) figure into this. They were faithful. The problem concerned those who built the houses and who did *all the work*, rather than having *faith*. In the end, none succeeded and certainly not The Temple built by King Herod in Christ's day. Only *the house* built by God will eter-

nally stand under The New Heavens and on The New Earth. That *house* will be completely built by God doing all *the work* in The Kingdom of God (Psalm 24).

The House Jesus Builds

After Jesus was crucified and paid for mankind's sins, He went to The Father and sat at God's right hand. Jesus, as Melchizedek, intercedes for your sins. He is building mansions for His Bride (God and Jesus doing the work) (John 14:1-3). Jesus, as The Testimony of The Spirit of Prophecy, continues to be The Son of God and serves His Father, faithfully (Revelation 1:5). God is The One who builds all things through His Son, Jesus, The Savior.

Jesus, before His human birth, was in the bosom of His Father as The Word of God (John 1:18). (Read the book, *The Mystery Of God*). JHVH, in The Beginning, created The Heavens and The Earth as Elohim (Builder of all things). God did this through The Word of God. That *word* was destined to become *flesh* through a human birth. When Jesus was born as The Son of Man (human), He became The Word of God. From that point on, God, JHVH (as *Elohim*), continued *to do the work* through His Son who was now The Word of God (in the flesh). God, by His *word*, did *the work* through His Son Jesus, The Christ. Christ inherited God's *word*, "*the logos*," at His fleshly birth from His Dad (Hebrews 1:1-3). Christ, as The Word of God, became God *in the flesh*. Jesus was not God, rather He was The Word. As God's *word*, Christ was made *Holy* (Luke 1:35). Only God is Holy and, there-

fore, only God can do *the work* and make Jesus *Holy*. Here is the miraculous *secret of duplication*: you, too, will become *Holy* like God (Ephesians 1:4). Jesus, The Firstborn, is your proof of this result.

The principle of “*kind after kind*” in The Kingdom of God shows how His kingdom is composed of Sons of God. When you are *glorified* as Christ was, you, too, will become a Son of God. Why is that so difficult to understand? The adage, “*Like Father, like Son*” is what God is building “*In You.*” God builds all things (Hebrews 3). This implies that you will be joining The Family of God. Jesus clearly said that, of Himself, He could do nothing. This means that you cannot do anything on your own, either. The One True God, *JHVH*, has the ability to give Jesus the power to do what He did and will continue to do in the future (John 5:19-20).

God does His *work* through His *word*, which is in His Son! Those who have God’s Holy Spirit are led to The Truth of God by “*The Word of God – In You.*” Jesus is The Author of Salvation and He is the example for you to follow and believe by faith. Through this faith, you grow into His stature at The Resurrection. Only through Christ’s *words* and your belief in God (who builds all things) will you be able to receive Salvation (John 5:24). The Word of God is The Tree of Life, which is compared to Christ. The Word of God does *the work*. You must eat God’s *word’s* daily just as you eat your daily food (Matthew 4:4). God’s *story* is *prophecy* in *The Torah*, which is The Way to The House of God. God’s *house*, where He dwells, must be Holy like God and His Son. *The Torah* will lead you

to Christ, The Very Word of God (Galatians 3:24-27). God's *predestined story* is to make you Holy by faith "In Christ" (The Word of God). God does *the work* through His *very "word"* – Christ.

The Testimony

The Testimony of The Messiah (Jesus) is The Spirit of Prophecy or The Way to Salvation. "*In the beginning,*" God said in His word, "*Let there be light...and it [the light] was good.*" The One True God, *JHVH*, declared He created everything by His *word*. This is what God, your Father did. No one else could make this claim. It is only by "*Christ – In You,*" who is The Very Word of God, that *any "work"* can be done. If Jesus or The Holy Spirit were God, then God would not be doing *the work*. Rather, these two would be doing the work. God predestined you to become Holy through The Very Word of God which was "*In Christ*" at His *birth*. This made Him *Holy*. Christ had God's Holy Spirit without measure and, therefore, was filled with The Word of God. God predestined this plan from *The Beginning* and *will see it through to its completion*. The Alpha and The Omega is *The One* who became Christ (Revelation 22:12-13). God's *loving Plan* of Salvation is to be *All In All* (I Corinthians 15:28). "*God – In You,*" through Christ, will make you Holy through The Word of God. Then, God can guarantee an Eternal Paradise of Peace for everyone. Everyone will walk together in agreement knowing what is *good* and what is *evil* (Amos 3:3).

CHAPTER 4

DOCTRINE AND TRUTH

Moses gave *The Law*, but Christ brought *grace* (mercy) and *truth*. The Apostle John revealed this fact (John 1:17). Isn't *The Law* considered to be doctrine? How could Jesus bring The Truth and what truth could this be?

Who Is The Father?

Jesus is The Word of God. *The Word* is all *the thoughts and the mind* of God. Jesus, The Christ, came to tell you about God so you could hear God's *word and thoughts*. John said, "*No man has seen God at any-time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he has declared him [God, JHVH]*" (John 1:18). Moses saw God's *glory* and when he received *The Law* he could tell Israel when they sinned (I John 3:4). Christ came to reveal The Truth about who God was, *is and always will be*.

The Law never told Israel how God *thinks* or defined His *motives and desires*. That is why Isaiah wrote, "*Seek you the LORD while he may be found, call you upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return to the LORD and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God [JHVH], for he will abundantly pardon.*"

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, said the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts” (Isaiah 55:6-9).

John wrote exactly the same message. No one has seen or knows The One True God, Almighty (JHVH). The Israelites feared God. They would not even utter His name (JHVH). That is why they call God “*Hashem.*” God was “*The God with no name.*” Only Moses got to see God’s *glory*. The truth is basically this: *there is no one in the world who knows The One True God.*

Jesus is truly The Testimony (of The Messiah) and Spirit of Prophecy. This was out of The Prophet’s mouth (Isaiah). Other special messengers (Prophets) also attest Jesus, is The Messiah – The Anointed One. Notice how God was going to reveal Himself, “*So shall my word be that goes forth out of my mouth: it shall not return to me void [without truth], but it shall accomplish that which I please and it [God’s Word] shall prosper in the thing [God’s word] whereto I sent it [God’s word]”* (Isaiah 55:11). This *scripture* calls God’s *word* as “*the thing*” or “*it.*” Christ is The Testimony of The Messiah in prophecy. Christ only speaks God’s *word* and does His will. Jesus is The Spirit of Prophecy, which is The Truth and nothing but *the truth.*

Who is God? At the beginning, God was rejected in The Garden of Eden. He was, also, rejected at The Tower of Babel. The Sumerians (the earliest known civilization East of Eden) claimed to know “*The One*

True God. They referred to Him as ***“The SkyGod.”*** This was the reason they preferred to worship not only ***the sun***, but ***the entire creation***. (Read the book, *Who Is God*). From the beginning, **The One True God** was unknown and it is the same situation in the world, today.

Now, you know why there is ***a plethora of gods*** all over the world. That is why God hates idolatry so intensely. It keeps you from knowing who God is. Always remember, Jesus is **The Messiah, The Savior and The Anointed One, Melchizedek**. He will reveal ***mercy and the truth*** of **The One True God, “JHVH”** (Luke 1:35). ***The Word of God was The Holy Thing*** just as Isaiah said. ***“The Very Words of God became Christ, The Savior by The Holy Spirit*** (overshadowing Mary) ***who became The Son of God.”***

God’s word is truth. That ***truth*** is the act of Jesus fulfilling His Testimony of Prophecy as it was recorded by **The Prophets of *The Old Testament*** (John 17:17). The purpose of ***The Torah Law*** and **The Prophets** must be fulfilled in every ***iota, jot and tittle***. ***“Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill”*** (Matthew 5:17). Many believe Jesus was talking about keeping ***The Law***. But, He was not! This was prophecy, which included **The Prophets**. Jesus is revealing more than just ***keeping The Law***. That is why He said, ***“For verily I say to you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law [The Torah], till all be fulfilled”*** (Matthew 5:18). This was a prophecy about **Christ**.

Jesus tells the difference between *keeping The Commandments* in The Letter and how The Word of God, through The Holy Spirit, *changes your human mind and heart*. Jesus said, “*Be you therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect*” (Matthew 5:48). (Read all of Matthew 5, 6 and 7 to get the whole picture).

It becomes clear how God is The Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, and so is Jesus. This is because from birth, He was *The Word of God* (Revelation 22:12-13). This is *deep stuff for the unlearned*, but is, also, very simple once individuals want to understand. The Father is The Alpha and Omega and so is Jesus. He is The Very Word of God. Jesus is the end result of *the prophecy* which reveals The Real One True God (JHVH).

Be specific in your understanding. *Jesus is not God, The Father*, rather He is The Son who is Holy through God’s *word* and His *Holy Spirit*. You are destined to grow, also, with the different parts of God’s *words*, which The Holy Spirit reveals to you. But, you will not be like Jesus or God until The Resurrection (I Corinthians 13:12). Jesus is God (just like Him) as you will be too (just like Him). Christ came to reveal The One True God that the world does not know! One day you will be in God’s *family* with your brother, Jesus.

“*Doctrine*” is “*a teaching*,” but it is not a teaching that gives you Salvation. It only tells what *sin* is by *The Law*. When God gave Israel *The Ten Commandments*, He wanted Israel to have a right heart. This comes by

learning to instill those *Commandments* (spiritually) in your heart.

The Word of God is a matter of heart (spiritually) and not, merely, The Letter of *The Law* (physically), which changes nothing. The Letter of *The Law* required a *physical work* (sacrificing) as a reminder to Israel of their sins. But, they didn't get the point, so it never taught them to stop sinning. Jesus simply said when you physically keep *The Ten Commandments*, it is your duty to do so, just as Solomon said (Ecclesiastes 12:13 and Luke 17:10).

However, keeping *The Commandments* still makes you *useless* or *unprofitable*. It (The Commandments) was, only, to make you aware when you sin. *The Ten Commandments*, as a law, reveal sin, but *The Commandments* doesn't change your *heart* or *mind*. That is what God told Israel (Deuteronomy 5:29). Now, you know the difference between *The Old Covenant* and *The New Covenant*. God wants you to live by every Word of God to have His very *heart* and *mind* (Hebrews 3 and 4).

The Letter of *The Law* gives a prosperous, secure, long human life even though it is a temporary existence. It does not give Salvation. Salvation demands a change of your mind and heart (Jeremiah 31:31-36). God tells The Remnant of Israel and The Gentiles that He is their future Husband (JHVH). Jesus, as The Word of God, is now The Groom of The Bride. He made Himself qualified by giving His life for her so, she could *live forever*. He has proved His love for her. Once

Christ died, *the marriage* with Israel ended and Christ was able to court not only The Remnant of Israel, but, also, The Gentiles.

They (The Remnant of Israel and The Gentiles) will be able to marry Him in the future as The Word of God. Jesus, through His death, divorced her according to *The Law* (Deuteronomy 24:1-4). God and Christ are “*One*” and you will be “*One*” with them when you are resurrected. By being *One* with Christ and God everything is provided which has to do with marriage. *Doctrine* cannot and will not save you. However, doctrine is exactly what the three major religions (Judaism, Islam and Christianity) debate and fight about. “*Doctrine*” is “*a teaching*” and, although it can be true, it will *not save you*. You need to know what *the purpose of doctrine* is all about. Doctrine does tell what is *right* or *wrong*, but it cannot save anyone. Salvation is truly a gift from God.

Hear His Voice

Clearly, The Lord (JHVH) is a great God and a great King (Read Psalm 95). He is so far and above all *the mini-gods*, which so many people in history have dreamed up. God made everything. Christ is *the rock*, but you must never harden your heart (as Israel did in the wilderness). This message is right out of *The Book of Psalms*. David knew Salvation was a matter of cleansing your heart (Psalm 51). You must listen to *The Voice* of God as it is revealed by The Holy Spirit. Don't follow what Israel did (in the wilderness). The wilderness was their *temptation or trial and they failed*.

Ministers who preach God's *word* are supposed to teach Jesus and not *doctrine* (as Salvation) (Ephesians 4:11-14). Paul states that when they preach *doctrine*, it only tosses people *to and fro*. *Doctrine*, as a *point of Salvation*, seems to cause dissension and division between God's *people* – Israel and Christians. Christians are those who follow Christ *in faith*. They believe He was The Word of God (JHVH). *Jesus*, not *doctrine*, will save you. Jesus is The Messiah. Jesus is *The Word* and reveals The One True God.

CHAPTER 5

A MARRIAGE

When you know more of *The Bible*, you will discover it is all about *a marriage*. The underlying question is, “*What is a marriage?*” *The head* in a marriage is *a husband*. What and who is *a husband*? The husband takes a wife. Why does the husband take a wife? Who and what is a wife? All these questions need to be *biblically* answered. You learn from *The Bible*, because it is all about a marriage (husbandry and farming).

Ish And Ishah

A husband and wife relationship, basically, denotes a male and a female. The Hebrew words “*Ish*” and “*Ishah*” relates to the wife coming out of the male (Adam). This marriage is explained as *one being* coming from another *being*; therefore, it can be *one*. The male, *Ish*, is Christ and the female is intended to be a helpmate (Genesis 2:18). Two males or two females cannot become one flesh. That is why a child can only be born from the union of a male and female. Enjoining one’s company and having sex is not considered a marriage by God.

This marriage union has two meanings (Mark 10:2-9).

The Pharisees asked Christ if a man could put away his wife for any reason. Christ responded, “*What did Moses command [say]?*” The Pharisees replied that Moses allowed divorce (Deuteronomy 24:1-4). Christ said that Moses permitted divorce because, “*For the hardness of your heart*” (Mark 10:5). This was *one type of marriage* which allowed *the unconverted* and *the unrepentant* to marry. The word for “*marriage*” in this case is “*baal.*” “*Baal*” is “*any god who is a master or lord.*” The wife becomes the husband’s property, but this concept is not based upon being *one flesh*.

When Adam and Eve decided to make up their own minds about *good* and *evil*, their personal relationship changed. Eve was no longer a helpmate, because she became *subject to Adam*. Then, Eve was his property and he had to watch over her welfare. The master of his property is married to everything he owns. God did this because Eve was *the one* deceived by Satan (not Adam) (I Timothy 2:14). Adam became responsible for her. He, as a husband, had to provide for her and maintain her upkeep.

The husband that labors must be the first partaker of the fruits (II Timothy 2:6). A husband has to take care of the land and the wife. Both are his property. Furthermore, he owns *the land, his wife* and *the people who work the land*. The Greek word for “*husbandry*” is defined as “*to till*” or “*dress the land.*” This was to be a *second marriage covenant* with those who had a wrong heart. Originally, a Godly marriage was Holy. It was intended for those with a right heart who are of the same flesh. The wife was to be a helpmate, not a

slave with a master. Originally, Adam and Eve, as one flesh, were equals. Eve sinned and, by marriage, she became Adam's property.

God The Creator

Read about God's *creative purpose* for the world and everything in it (Psalm 24:1-10). Read it thoroughly several times (prayerfully and comprehensively). "*The earth [world] is the Lord's and the fulness [everything] thereof; the world and they that dwell therein.*"

God is The King or Master Lord over all and everyone in the world. God built a house on this earth (Garden of Eden) to live in. "*He that has clean hands [how you live] and a pure heart [Holy]; who has not lifted up his soul [life] to vanity [unprofitable], nor sworn [speaks] deceitfully [lies].*" What does that person receive, "*He shall receive the blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his [God's] Salvation.*" This is *The Gospel in The Old Testament* as it was told by King David. God (JHVH) is Your Master and Your Savior. He is married to everyone. (Read the book, *What Is Marriage*).

God (JHVH) owns everything and everyone belongs to Him. He is your Master and Lord who keeps watch over you. This is similar to Adam as Eve's husband. God is *The One* who tells you about the difference between *good* and *evil*. You are not responsible until you *repent* and *spiritually* grow. This is so you can live with God in His house (The New Heaven and The New Earth). God allows His Son to marry, only, repentant

individuals. He will, eventually, be All In All in everyone (I Corinthians 15:28). This is an example of *kind after kind*. Become *One with God* as Christ is *One with God*, “*And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world and I come to you. Holy Father, keep through your own name [family] those whom you have given me, that they [followers of Christ] may be one, as we are*” (John 17:11). There you have it. It is all about a Holy, Godly *marriage*.

The world and all the things in it, because of Adam and Eve’s sin, are ruled by God, as Lord and Master, who knows the difference between *good* and *evil*. It is not left to any individual to decide *right* from *wrong*. That is God’s *responsibility*. God is *the husband* over *the earth* and *everything* on it.

You must come in total faith and trust to God so you can master your lives through Jesus, The Groom. By doing so, you are given *the gift* of The Holy Spirit. This gift purifies you with *truth* so you can become Christ’s Wife. (Read the book, *The Wedding Feast*). This Wedding Feast will occur in God’s *New House* under The New Heavens and on The New Earth. God will dwell with men and they will be known as The Sons of God. How clear and simple this is! God will, then, be *All In All!*

Sons Of God

God’s purpose is to be All In All by having Sons of God. To be a Son of God, you will become *a family*, “*Of who the whole family in heaven and earth is named*

[after]” (Ephesians 3:15). The principle of “*kind after kind*” is God’s purpose. The only way two can walk together is by being in agreement (Amos 3:3). To have an eternal paradise with peace, everyone has to be of the same nature or heart. Your purpose is to become like Jesus, who has shown you *the way* to be made into the same image as God (Hebrews 1:1-3 and Genesis 1:26). *The Old Covenant* was given to Israel because they had a wrong heart (Deuteronomy 5:29).

They couldn’t keep *The Ten Commandments* because their *hearts* were not right. They were afraid when they had to pay *penalties* for their sins, but they never looked to God. When Israel sinned by building The Golden Calf, God had to change *the purpose* of The Fourth Commandment. This *sign* was changed from God’s people living in The Sabbath Rest in The Garden of Eden to God’s people *coming out of slavery*. The Original Sabbath was *a sign* to enter God’s *rest* in The Garden. The Israelites had access to The Tree of Life or Salvation (Exodus 20:10-11).

Now, because of their wrong heart and their sin of *idolatry*, The Sabbath was *a sign* of God’s *people coming out of slavery*. They no longer could have access to The Tree of Life. The Sabbath was *not made for man*, but, now, The Sabbath had *human works* attached to it. Salvation is *a gift* from God and, consequently, He does all *the work* (not man).

Faith in God with A Priesthood of Righteousness was needed. No longer would The Aaronic Priesthood be in force, where man had to do *the work*. A new mar-

riage covenant, *kind after kind*, would be in force. As long as man did The Works of *The Law*, they could live on God's property but not in God's *house*. To enter The Temple of God (God's house), a person had to be Holy or righteous. It, also, demanded The Melchizedek Priesthood (Priesthood of Faith), which is *based on righteousness* (Read all of Psalm 24). God can give it to those who, by *free choice*, choose *a life of faith* in God, so they can become like Jesus, The Christ.

Doctrine Doesn't Count

Doctrine teaches what *sin* is, but it cannot change human nature. Only God can give *The Gift* of His Holy Spirit. God's Holy Spirit leads you to truth which changes the way you think. This is so you can develop a sound mind (II Timothy 1:7). *Doctrine does not save you* because only God can save you. God, by His Holy Spirit, will make you into a Son of God, like Christ. This is so you can be "*One*" with Christ and God. You are to discover that *marriage* makes you *one* with God and Christ. *The Testimony of The Messiah is prophecy*, which will enable you to know how to be in God's *exact image*. God reveals *truth* to His people, not by any *Law*, prophecy or doctrine but by His Holy Spirit.

CHAPTER 6

HISTORY OF THE SONS OF GOD

Jesus was The First Begotten Son of God. However, you will find Sons of God existed before Him. They are listed in Genesis 5. What is the difference? Adam was made in *the image* of God; yet, Cain and Abel are not included in the genealogy. Why is this? Remember, Abel was killed and Cain was ex-communicated. The list in Genesis continues with Seth as the next son. Notice, Seth has a special designation.

To Call Upon God's Name

Seth followed Adam who was created in *the likeness of God*. Adam and Eve were declared male and female. They were called by Adam's name because Eve came out of Adam. Adam and Eve were in *the likeness of God*. This is a vital truth about Jesus and what The Spirit of Prophecy is all about. What began in The Alpha (the beginning) will prove to be scripturally important in The Omega (the end). God has both male and female traits because He is "*All In All*" ("*Elohim*" is the word in Hebrew). Adam was to be the first Melchizedek, but now, because of his sin, a future Son of God would be The Promised Seed.

Seth had a son named Enos (Genesis 4:26). In He-

brew, the word “*Enosh*” means “*to be called by the name of God*” (or Sons of God). They (birth men) began *to call upon the name of God*. “*To call*” in Hebrew is “*quara*.” The Hebrew word “*quara*” has many definitive descriptions. It refers to “*removing a curse*.” It, also, denotes the act “*to seek*” or “*discover*.” It means “*to be like*.” They were Sons of God or God’s *people*.

In a sense, Christianity began at the very beginning, since Christ was *The Word* before He became human. As God’s *word* (being The Word of God), *mankind* sought God and these individuals were known as The Sons of God. The genealogy listed in Genesis 5 describes those who were called *The Sons of God*. They existed from Adam to Abraham. Enoch, the seventh, was a Prophet while Noah, the eighth, was a Preacher of Righteousness (II Peter 2:5).

The word “*preacher*” in Greek denotes “*one who proclaims*” or “*one crying out*,” especially in reference to *the behavior of how people lived* at that time. “*Righteousness*” comes from a word in Greek “*dike*,” meaning “*justice*” or “*righteousness*.” It is “*the fulfillment of God’s righteousness*” or it can be a “*claim in a court*” (God’s court). Abraham, himself, was God’s *testimony* or a *Preacher of Righteousness* by his faith. His life witnessed a *total and complete faith* in The Word of God who became *Jesus, The Christ in the flesh*.

God warned Noah and, as a result, he obeyed The Word of God and built the ark. “*Christ – In You*,” God’s *word*, started in The Garden of Eden with The Tree of Life. Salvation or Eternal Life was preached

by God (JHVH) to Adam and Eve. “*The Torah*” in Hebrew is defined as “*a teaching,*” “*a path*” or “*the way.*” “*Torah*” does not mean “*law.*” *The Torah* consists of the first four books of *The Bible* plus Deuteronomy which was “*the added law*” written by Moses.

The root of “Torah” means “to shoot an arrow, directing one to a target of Eternal Life in Paradise.” That is why God offered two trees in The Garden for Adam and Eve to choose from. One produced *life* while the other caused *death*. Abraham, being faithful, called upon God. Since Abraham sinned in the flesh, as all humans do, a Priesthood was necessary. God instituted a Priesthood from the inception of sin (Hebrews 5:1-2).

Abraham was under The Administration of The Priesthood of Melchizedek and *not Levi*. Too many argue about The Letter of *The Law* and The Priesthood of Levi. *The Old Covenant Law of Moses* did not even exist until four hundred and thirty years after Abraham (Galatians 3:17). Abraham was responsible for sin under The Administration of The Melchizedek Priesthood and not The Aaronic Priesthood from The Tribe of Levi. For *a Law* to become binding there has to be a curse or penalties. Otherwise, there is no penalty, even though it’s the right way to live. Moses’ added the curses to *The Law* and made it binding (II Timothy 1:7).

That is the reason Abraham was blessed by Melchizedek. Abraham offered sacrifices for his own sins and his family’s sins. This was done because of faith and

not because of *a law*. It is very important for God's *people* who seek righteousness, like Abraham, to understand **The Two Priesthoods and their different purposes**. (Read the book, *God's Two Priesthoods*).

Abraham obeyed God's voice (The Word of God) and kept His (God's) charge, *The Commandments, Statutes and The Laws* (Genesis 26:5). There was *no law* until Moses and The Levitical Priesthood began four hundred and thirty years later. By faith, Abraham called upon God's name. He was considered a Son of God, "*Even as Abraham believed [had faith in] God and it was accounted to him for righteousness. Know you therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham*" (Galatians 3:6-7).

Those who obey God's voice, *in faith*, are seeking God's *righteousness* (Acts 10:35) so they can be added to *Genesis 5* as Sons of God. "*And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In you [Abraham] shall all nations be blessed*" (Galatians 3:8).

Abraham was blessed by The Priesthood of Melchizedek and not Aaron. Christians are, also, to be blessed by The Priesthood of Melchizedek since they are The Sons of God by The Order of Melchizedek. *Jesus*, who is *The Word of God* (God's word) (John 1), was present "*in spirit*" as The Word of God. As God's *word* (who became Christ) *by inheritance*, He was *One with The Word of God*. You, also, have the opportunity to become God's *word* and one of God's Sons.

The First Begotten Son

God's *Plan of Salvation* began in The Garden of Eden with The Two Trees. Abraham, The Father of The Faithful, always obeyed God's *voice* and His *word*. Subsequently, he made *a covenant* with God. *The Covenant* was a promise that all nations will be blessed through Abraham. This meant that, through Abraham, *a seed* would come and destroy sin. He would do this by giving grace to imbibe the truth of God's *word*. God's *word* is the truth and proclaims how *a seed* is to come. This *seed* had to be faithful just as Abraham was faithful, but this seed would be without any sin.

Moses (four hundred and thirty years after Abraham) brought Israel out of Egypt and slavery. They were Abraham's seed and chosen to be The People of God. But, because they lacked faith and had a wrong heart, God had to give them *The Law of Moses*. It was the only way God could keep them as His *chosen people*. God had to steer them to change their ways and to live righteously (Deuteronomy 5:3). This *Old Covenant* was made with Israel, only, and not The Fathers. Therefore, a new Priesthood administered by The Levites had to be given. This Priesthood was not based on faith, as with Melchizedek, but it was based on their *human works*. This would always remind them they were still sinning by all the human works they had to do.

Human works had to be instituted because the people had *a wrong heart*. They were given God's *Commandments* and were told to keep them (Deuteronomy 5:29).

It became *a law* known as *The Law of Moses* which carried blessings and curses (Deuteronomy 27 and 28). However, it gave no instruction about how *grace* or *mercy* could be given. Every part of *The Law* had to be kept *perfectly*. Any transgression of any part of *The Law* was *a sin* against the whole law (James 2:10). *The Law* became the path to Israel's *righteousness* (Deuteronomy 6:25).

Israel always feared God. They didn't know or understand Him because of their *wrong hearts*. They never understood the exact meaning of *good* or *evil* or what *sin* was. They had to have *sin* spelled out for them (I John 3:4). Salvation does not come by *The Law* without a right heart or God's Holy Spirit. Read all of Psalm 51 which is about King David's repentance for his sin (as an adulterer and a murderer). Try to look into David's heart. Having a clean heart is a gift God gave to David by His Holy Spirit.

Israel always rejected God and His *ways* concerning *The Torah* (now a Law, as well). That refusal is spelled out in the first chapter of Isaiah. From this point forward, Israel, The Ten Lost Tribes and Judah had to go into captivity (scattered into all nations of the world). (Dr. James Tabor's book, *Restoring Abrahamic Faith*, clearly defines Israel's problem).

Another seed of Abraham had to come to be the sacrificial body (The Messiah or Savior). This occurrence was based upon faith (like Abraham). In Hebrew, the word "*tsedac*" means "*to be the chosen Abrahamic seed.*" This Messiah or Savior (like Joshua or Yashua)

had to lead all Israel into The Promised Land. As Dr. Tabor points out in his book, *The Old Testament* had many *saviors* or *messiahs*. Cyrus, The Great King of Persia, signed a Covenant so The Jews could return to Jerusalem. Consequently, Cyrus was honored as a *savior*.

Another seed of Abraham, as The Messiah or Savior, had to come to Israel and the world. He would come as Melchizedek. This Savior had to have *two godly attributes: the ability to give grace* (mercy) and possess *the truth* (John 1:17). This new *seed* of Abraham had to be The First Begotten Son of God who had God's words "*In Him.*" He would grant *the forgiveness of sin*. That is the only requirement for this Messiah, The Savior to come and fulfill The Abrahamic Covenant!

CHAPTER 7

GOD'S FIRST BEGOTTEN SON

You are about to discover how only Jesus could be The Messiah, The Promised Seed of Abraham. You also need to know why Jesus is God's First Begotten Son. What is the difference between Jesus and the other Sons of God? Why is He The Only Messiah who will save Israel and, eventually, the entire world (I John 4:14)? Jesus is The Author of Salvation.

Ex Nihilo

To create *something* from *nothing* is *impossible*. Scientists do not understand this fact. Because you are seeking God's *truth*, do not be affected by Scientist's theories or guesses about their findings. God is The Creator of All Things (Hebrews 3). In Latin "*ex nihilo*" is "*to make something outside of oneself from nothing.*" You are about to discover how believing the notion of *making something from nothing* does not reveal The One True God.

Evolutionists and cosmologists like Stephen Hawking have coined the phrase "*The Theory of Everything*" (TOE). To find the answer, one must discover a *first cause* or Creator. In his book on time and space, Hawking said if there is a *creation*, then, there is a *Cre-*

ator. God, The Creator of all things, is uniquely different. God is a mystery and His creation is a great mystery. To solve these mysteries you must ask God for revelation. He only reveals His *truth to the wise*. God defines those with high I.Q.s and scholars with titles after their names as *the unlearned*. If they studied *The Bible* and asked God for insight, they could have, long ago, proved God exists.

God's Purpose

Why does God bother doing what He is doing? The Mystery of God is simple and quite understandable to *the faithful*. A clear explanation by King David is found in Psalm 24. God is building *a great house* on top of a hill. Who can ascend this *hill* and stand in God's Holy House? The House of God allows only Holy *beings* to dwell with Him. This is for an extremely vital reason, "*He that has clean hands and a pure heart; who has not lifted up his soul [life] to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully*" (Psalm 24:4). "*Clean hands*" refers to "*how one lives his/her life.*" "*Clean*" means to be "*undefiled*" or "*sinless*" like God. Saints are *Holy* and the faithful are *righteous* (Ephesians 1). Why are there such high standards?

God answers this question through King David, "*He shall receive the blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation*" (Proverbs 24:5). God's house is *a temple* or *a holy place*. Through this *holy place* God can give to those who follow Him all of His blessings, righteousness and Salvation (Eternal Life). This is God's *rest* (a Paradise forever). It

is a place of peace and eternal rest. To last forever, it must have humans who become eternal, like God. (They must become *spirit beings* who, walk together, are *in agreement and* do not die) (Amos 3:3).

This is unique because these are *individual beings* who have complete free choice. However, they are alike in their *thinking and desires*. Most of you have friends who think as you do (in general). Humans do not have the capability to experience these traits while *in the flesh*. Adam and Eve decided, on their own, what they considered to be good or evil. This confused one generation after another.

The answer of life is simple. Following human thinking and human desires along with their free choice leads to *Babylon* (confusion). Hence, a Paradise of Peace as *a true rest*, would be impossible. There would be as many human *desires and ways* to do *what is right* as there are people. Everyone would have a different opinion.

God's *plan and purpose* is *clear and simple*. You must love one another. No matter what fools most humans become, they must be willing to die for each other (following Christ's example). Only when you become like Christ, by never doing or causing any harm to anyone, will you have the true answer. That is the fulfillment of *The Great Commandment*, which is to love God with all you heart and love your neighbor as yourself. That *love* fulfills *The Law* because you would not cause any evil. In Hebrew and Greek, it means "*to cause no harm.*"

It becomes obvious that if you are to dwell with God in His *temple house*, you must become blameless (no sin). Then, Paradise, as a *house of peace*, will be *eternally guaranteed*. That is God's *Covenant of Promise* to Abraham and *his seed*. This is a promise. Sin must be destroyed and, only, then, can a person's nature be changed. *Laws* will never change human nature. *Laws* only tell a person when they are sinning. If God is leading them, He will show them why they need to stop sinning. Laws are necessary for criminals but not those with a Godly nature. Those with God leading them are *the wise* while criminals tend to be *the unwise*.

How God Changes Human Nature

Abraham was a friend of God. Besides being a friend, God was, also, His Father. Even with his faith in God, Abraham still committed sin. God promised, because of Abraham's *faith*, that a seed would come from his lineage and become The Savior (Genesis 22:16-18). Through Abraham's faith by obeying God's *voice* or *word*, this guaranteed a Savior or a Messiah would come. This Savior would be different than other human saviors. He would be able to give Salvation.

From this Messiah there were two situations that had to occur: 1) He had to be without sin by having the love of God and, 2) He must be willing to die for others. This type of human could only be prepared with God's help. This ability is not within anyone's human nature. Only God can make it happen. God was reproducing Himself. It is like "*kind after kind*."

Then, and only then, can there be an Eternal Paradise. There is no other way. It is the only way presented by God Almighty. That's *The Torah*.

In the past, to be a Son of God, it was only necessary to call upon God and His name (Genesis 4:26). Now, a person has to be in the exact image of God to become a Son of God (Revelation 21:3-7). This could only happen when The Promised Seed came.

God's Pleasure

Consider *the meanings of the words, "needs" and "wants."* What is the difference? Too many times, humans think and speak about a person's *wants* as *needs*. In reality, "*a need*" is "*something essential*" for life to sustain you. No one needs everything that they may want or desire. Since humanity is a mixture of good and evil, your dilemma might be found in wanting something *evil* or *harmful* (to God, to others, to yourselves or to the creation). For example too much alcohol, drugs, over eating, spending more for clothing than is necessary could be evil. Sin develops when you think of something that is more important and it becomes *a need*. God separates *a want* from *a need* and calls "*a want*" a form of "*vanity*."

Those who lift up their lives *in vanity* cannot come into God's Holy House (Psalm 24). Solomon said "*vanity of vanity, all is vanity*." He was referring to the human life. Solomon lived on this earth and, at the end of his life, he said "*all ends in vanity*." He was showing you how the best human life with all its needs and wants

only ends in *vanity* or *death*. Life's experiences profit nothing. (Read *The Book of Ecclesiastes*). The real pleasures you want and need should be exactly like God's. This is done according to the good pleasure of His *will* (Ephesians 1:5). God's *pleasure* or *wants* are good and will cause you to become like His Son, Jesus.

By God's Holy Spirit, you are adopted from human parents to be The Very Sons of God. As The First Begotten Son of God, Christ, by His Holy Spirit from birth, was not born of a human father. He was truly The First Begotten Son of God. Jesus experienced a miraculous birth just like Isaac (Sarah, Abraham's wife). *Pleasure* or *joy* is inherent within every human being. When you are joyful, you are happy and become optimistic. Since, in your flesh, you are both *good* and *bad*, happiness cannot be a continual state.

Repentance – A Change Of Mind

As long as you keep thinking of your personal wants and needs, your goal of happiness is not possible. You need to have a different mind and heart or a change of mind and heart. That is known, biblically, as *repentance*. Paul tells you to have The Mind of Christ who has The Mind of God (Philippians 2:5). With God's *mind*, through His Holy Spirit, you can have *a sound* or *a wise mind* (II Timothy 1:7). When you begin to get wisdom, you will be led to *a right heart*.

“*Wisdom*” is having healthy, good desires or a heart that grows *spiritually*. Wisdom is much like spring waters running into a brook constantly cleansing your

thoughts (Proverbs 18:1-4). You can begin to have a heart like God! You can, now, understand why King David, after his repentance, declared, “*Behold, you desire [want] truth in the inward parts [nature]: and in the hidden part you shall make me to know wisdom*” (Psalm 51:6). David prayed for a clean heart and clean desires (Psalm 51:10). David, by The Holy Spirit, was given the joy (happiness) of God's Salvation (Psalm 51:11-12). This is how God changes you from being a human to becoming a Son of God.

Jesus, as The First Begotten Son of God without sin, loved you when He gave His life for you. His fleshly body was prepared (for everyone) as *an acceptable sacrifice for sin* by God.

If Jesus, by His perfect works had sinned, He could not have been The Messiah. All of Jesus' works and deeds were perfect. There could not have been another way. Jesus is The Christ or The Anointed High Priest who is a Destroyer of Sin. He offered Himself to end sin and death by giving grace to the world to save it (I John 4:14). He is of The Priesthood of Melchizedek and is not from The Aaronic Priesthood (after The Levites). The Aaronic Priesthood is from *human parents* and is not *a Priesthood by Oath* through God. Jesus is The Author of Salvation because He set an example by being The First Begotten Son of God.

CHAPTER 8

MOSES' AND CHRIST'S TESTIMONY

The Torah did not become *The Law* until The Time of Moses. Yet, *The Book of Genesis* reports events that began at The Creation in The Garden of Eden. There was about a 2,000-year span between The Creation and The Time of Moses. From Abraham till Moses was four hundred and thirty years. The Levitical Priesthood did not exist during those years. Melchizedek was The High Priest during The Days of Abraham. What is the difference between these two priesthoods?

Converted And Unconverted

Repentance is necessary for an individual to receive God's Holy Spirit. Remember, Adam and Eve lost access to The Tree of Life. They relied upon themselves to determine good and evil, so a restoration to The Tree of Life was needed. King David pleaded with God not to take The Holy Spirit from him (Psalm 51). The Holy Spirit is available to anyone who asks, as long as that person repents.

God had two methods by which He offered *The Commandments* and *Statutes*. One method concerned those who had *a wrong heart*. The other method was

for those who had *a right heart*. God had two different ways for individuals to become God's *people*. It involved those who were *repentant* and those who were *not repentant*.

To have a prosperous, secure and long human life, all humans needed to do was to keep *The Commandments* and *The Statutes*. But, Eternal Life or access to The Tree of Life was not part of the deal. God placed *Cherubims* near The Tree of Life. They kept Adam and his family from stealing the fruit from this famous and miraculous tree. To be able to get to The Tree of Life, *repentance* was required. Melchizedek, as High Priest during Abraham's day, had blessed Abraham. Abraham was blessed because of his faith, so he received The Promise of Inheritance. Then, he was able to inherit God's land.

Abraham received *The Promise* of The Land, only. He never obtained *The Inheritance*. That inheritance could only be given through *The Promised Seed*. This seed would come and bless the whole world. Because Abraham obeyed God's *voice* by faith, his seed would produce God's *future generations* (Genesis 22:18). Abraham kept *The Commandments*, *Statutes* and *The Torah* before it became *The Law of Moses*. He did this by *faith*.

Abraham always obeyed God's *voice* or *word* whether it was to leave the land of his birth and go to Babylon or to go to Canaan, The Promised Land. He, also, kept *The Torah* before it became *a Law* and he was willing to give his miraculously-born son, Isaac, as a

sacrifice. Abraham was faithful and always obeyed God. It began with Abraham's *seed* which, through successive generations, grew into many nations that would be blessed.

When Israel *failed* to listen to God's *word* – *their test of faith* – they received the penalty of death. God intended to build a new nation from The Levitical Tribe of Moses because that tribe was faithful. Israel sinned by building The Golden Calf. God knew Israel had a wrong heart from the time He personally gave them *The Ten Commandments*. Israel was given choices but always failed (Deuteronomy 5:29). Moses didn't have much of a speaking voice, but he was able to convince God not to destroy The Israelites. He did not want the other nations of the world to accuse God, The Creator, of killing His own *people* (like the pagan gods). God agreed with Moses.

To straighten everything out, The Savior had to come as The One who would bless The Nations of The World. This Savior was required to offer His own life by His own *free choice* in order to be The Messiah. Only then, could Israel again become God's *chosen people*. This task had to be done through *a Law* (blessings, curses and judgments) (Deuteronomy 27 and 28). *A Covenant* was given (to Israel) which *The Original Fathers* never received (Deuteronomy 5:3). The addition of *The Book of Deuteronomy* was *the added Law* that changed *The Torah* from *a teaching way or path* into a Court of *Law* (I Kings 8:26-32).

The Torah became *a law*, which was *The Law of Moses*.

It was for people who were sinners because they had a wrong heart. They had to have a law to forgive or pardon sin. Breaking *The Commandments* was a capital crime, so death was administered to the transgressor. This was *the only way* Israel (with a wrong heart) would know when they sinned, so they could remain *clean as God's people*. They were intended to be *a testimony or witness* in a Court of *Law* to the world. This was for a very good reason. *The Torah*, before becoming a *Law* in a court, was under The Priesthood of Melchizedek. It allowed them to be pardoned from their sins and receive mercy. The Priesthood of Melchizedek pardoned sin through faith. Sacrifice was necessary to be a testimony for The Future Promised Seed. The Messiah would not only save Israel but the rest of The World, as well (I John 4:14).

A Testimony

“*A testimony*” in Hebrew and Greek is “*a witness*.” Adam and Eve were *a witness* to their progeny (Proverbs 22:6). “*Train up a child in the way he [or she] should go and when he [or she] is old, he [or she] will not depart from it.*” But, they failed. When the failure continued into Noah's day, God had to flood the world. When Israel failed by not trusting God, The Promised Seed came and, then, Christ turned to a nation more worthy than *the chosen* who became *the unbelievers* (Matthew 21:43). By the end of The First Century, Christianity failed again. Only a few of The Tribes of Israel and Christians (The Gentiles) were faithful (Jude 3). A witness was necessary for *a court trial*. What trial would this be? The only trial appli-

cable for the entire world is The White Throne Judgment. This is where witnesses are present to *judge the world* (including angels) (I Corinthians 6:2). That is why God's *people* are required to witness or testify to the world as God's *chosen people* (both The Israelites and The Gentiles) (Hebrews 3:1-4).

Never forget why you are told to look to God. Only God can build *all things*. No human can do this whether it is The Scientists, Scholars or other *learned men*. You are required to have faith in God and not have faith in yourself. You either obey God's *words* in faith, like Abraham did or you disobey. Either you live by man's puny works or you believe God is The Creator of all the momentous creation He built. *The true witnesses* are the ones who live by every Word of God (Matthew 4:4).

The Testimony Of The Messiah

The Testimony of The Messiah is *a prophecy*. Through *prophecy* and *world history* you find all the pieces will fit together. Only God, *Elohim* (JHVH), can tell the beginning from the end (The Alpha and The Omega) (Isaiah 46:10). History proves to everyone *The Bible* is true. *The Bible* shows you history written in advance. Christ is The Word of God. The Spirit is *life* and, therefore, *the mind* and *heart* of God. Jesus, in the flesh, as God's *word* from the beginning, was in God's *image*. Jesus is the exact Image of God and He has inherited all that God is (Hebrews 1:1-3). In these last days, there is The One who speaks God's *words* instead of The Prophets. Remember, the goal is *kind*

after kind. God is reproducing Himself. Jesus is God or The Firstborn of God and is in His family. Jesus inherited all of God's *mind, thoughts, words*, love and power. You have the chance to become like God and be a part of His family. It was always God's intention to make man in His *image* (Genesis 1:26).

The Hebrew word for "*image*" means "*a ghost*" or "*a phantom*." Adam and Eve were originally created out of the dust of the earth. They looked like God but they needed to grow *spiritually*, in order to gain *the mind and heart* of God. God allowed them to decide for themselves (free choice). In this way, they could be *individual thinking beings with a right heart*. He offered them The Tree of Life, which was eternity, or The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil, which produced death.

The Mystery Of God, "*Christ – In You*," is unique (Colossians 1:27). How could God offer a Paradise forever and have each person remain *an individual*? It takes a *mind and heart* that truly is superior to all others (Isaiah 55). "*Prophecy*" is "*history written in advance*."

But it could not be *absolute* unless an absolute date is set. However, it is guaranteed because God's *predestined plan* is perfect. Prophecy does not occur in sequence or at a certain time, but rather it takes place according to *stated conditions*. It occurs when certain conditions have been met. That, my friend, is why it's *a mystery and a puzzle*. Remember the verse, "*a little here and a little there*." It was a plan which was assured from *its beginning to have a perfect ending*.

It started in kindergarten, which is a child's garden, and it ends under The New Heavens and on The New Earth.

Time does not exist with God because He is *infinite*. Dispensations or His *will* determines how and when events should take place. Prophecy, therefore, is conditional and is not necessarily tied to a certain time frame. That is why The Apostle Paul said prophecy *can fail*. Languages and knowledge (doctrine) shall vanish away (I Corinthians 13:8). "*Failed prophecy*" in its Greek root, conveys "*a pause*" or "*a rest*." Prophecy is not dependant upon *time*, but *events*. Languages change by *custom, values, knowledge* or *doctrine* (a teaching), which cause changes according to *conditions* at any given time.

Free choice demands individuals grow *spiritually* by making a decision for themselves. How you think and what your desires may be, will alter what you do or decide not to do. You cannot be taught anything unless you choose to do what you are able to do. It is all a matter of *free choice*. That is why Paul wrote, "*You [are to individually] work out your own salvation with fear and trembling*" (Philippians 2:12). (Of course, in schools and universities you may have no choice but to take mathematics, a language or certain prerequisites). "*For it is God which works in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure*" (Philippians 2:13).

God enjoys revealing His *will*, which is His *plan* to you from His *superior mind* and *heart*. He loves you! Why is this? It is simply because God is your Father and

He loves you. He wants *the very best* for you and God knows better, than your human father, what is best for you.

Moses could only be *a witness about what sin was*. Because human flesh is very weak, there is *a need* for a Messiah or a Savior. That is why Paul said, *The Law* was the school-master to train anyone and everyone to come to Christ (Galatians 3:24). A Messiah was needed to be The Author and to lead everyone *to faith* (Galatians 3:25).

The Testimony of The Messiah (Witness of Christ) was a prophecy restoring The Tree of Life (Salvation). *“For the Son of man [Jesus] is come to save [restore] that which was lost”* (Matthew 18:11). In The Garden of Eden, The Tree of Life had to be restored to its proper use. That is the difference between Moses and Christ. God told Moses what Christ would do (Deuteronomy 18). Jesus would be an Author (as a Prophet) who would, only, speak God’s *word* and would, only, do God’s *will*.

Jesus is your example as God’s First Begotten Son who will lead you to God, The One True God through The Holy Spirit (Ephesians 4:13).

CHAPTER 9

THE PROMISED SEED

Abraham, The Father of The Faithful, received two promises. One promise was given when he obeyed God's *voice* by moving from Babylon (Ur) to Haran and, then, from there to Canaan, The Promised Land. In faith, Abraham obeyed God's *voice* by keeping *The Commandments*, Statutes and *The Torah* (Genesis 26:5 and Genesis 12:7). Through Abraham's *seed*, The Promised Seed (Messiah) would come and bless all nations of the earth (Genesis 22:17-18).

Who Is Jesus?

The Abrahamic Covenant had two promises or two guarantees which came from God to Abraham. This was because Abraham was faithful. One agreement was made by means of the rite of circumcision (all the males) (Genesis 17:11-24). This promised Abraham's children The Land of Palestine. The second promise was given because Abraham was willing to sacrifice Isaac (Genesis 22:15-18). Isaac would produce *the promised seed* that would bless all nations.

How could *this seed* bless the world? How many realize *The Gospel* was preached in *The Old Testament*

(Psalm 24)? You must ascend God's Holy Hill to dwell with God in His *house* which is *a temple* – Holy and perfect. God's *house* is where The Tree of Life is located, so you will be able to live, eternally.

King David wrote what The Blessings of The Lord were. This is how *The Promised Seed* of all the nations will be blessed, "*He [that is faithful] shall receive the blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation*" (Psalm 24:5). There it is, in a nutshell. Jesus, The Messiah, The Anointed One, had to be of faith after The Order of Melchizedek and not according to The Levitical Priesthood. King David wrote about Jesus or *the good news to come*. Before Jesus was crucified, Philip asked Him, "*Lord, show us the Father*" (John 14:8). He answered, "*Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake [all the miracles which were done]*" (John 14:11).

The fact that Jesus was The Son of Mary was not important, but rather *the works* He did were important. *The life* He lived showed *the works* He did, "*Believe you not that I am in the Father and the Father in me? The words that I speak to you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwells in me [Holy Spirit], he does the works*" (John 14:10). It is the same with any son who honors his earthly father. It will be the same with you when you honor God, your heavenly Father.

Jesus was not *a separate god-being* before He was born. Clearly, Christ declared prior to His birth how He was God's *word*. Jesus inherited The Word of God

when He was born. That *word* (The Word of God) was The First to be The Begotten Son of God as an example for you to follow. God gave Jesus *life* (John 5:26). That is what made Him in the exact Image of The Father (Hebrews 1:3). Jesus was not born of Himself, as *a god-being*, but rather He was from His Father, The One True God. Jesus spoke only God's *words* and not His own. Since He only spoke and did God's *will*, Jesus was doing His Father's *work*. What is The Work of God? Here is what Jesus said, "*This is the work of God, that you believe on him whom he has sent*" (John 6:29). That is why Jesus did *the will* of The Father (John 6:38). It is all so simple. The Promised Seed of Abraham's *faith* had to be The Spirit of Prophecy.

God so plainly said, He was The Beginning and The End (Isaiah 46:10). It isn't The Work of Jesus, but it is The Word of The One True God. By means of God putting His *word* into Christ at His human birth through His Holy Spirit, Christ became Holy like God (Luke 1:35). Christ became God in God's family as His Son. This compares with "*kind after kind.*" Jesus, by means of *the life* He lived and *the works* He did, proved He was The Messiah. Why is this? It is because He only spoke God's *words* and did His Father's *will*. It was God through The Holy Spirit doing *The Work of God*. Jesus, as God's First Begotten Son, received the same *glory* He had with The Father in The Beginning (John 17:5).

Order Of Melchizedek

Abraham was blessed by Melchizedek and not by Levi.

The Levitical Priesthood was *an order*, but it was by genealogy from *father to son*. This priesthood served in the capacity of The Work of *The Law* done by Israel. The Order of Melchizedek was by oath from God. It was based upon faith and not through human works (giving sacrifices) (Hebrews 7-8). Abraham made sacrifices because he had not received the inheritance. Also, he did not receive *the second promise* until Isaac was offered as a sacrifice (Hebrews 11 and Genesis 22). The Melchizedek Priesthood operated by *faith* while The Priesthood of Levi was by *human works*. It is stated very plainly in *The Bible* how The Testimony of The Messiah (Jesus) is The Spirit of Prophecy by *faith* through God's Holy Spirit. This gives *the truth* of who God really is and the work He is doing.

Christ The Messiah

The proof Jesus was The Messiah is *The Life He Lived* through *The Work of God* and by, only, speaking all The Words of God. He fulfilled God's *will*. Likewise, you, as a follower of Christ, must witness Jesus. Then, you will be doing God's *work* as The Author of Your (own) Salvation (Hebrews 12). An author is an originator of a book (Hebrews 12). What book is this? The book is *The Bible* – The Word of God. That is why Jesus said He did not come to destroy *The Law* (*The Torah*) or The Prophets. Every jot and tittle must be fulfilled. Both *The Torah* and *The Prophets* foretold about Jesus. From Enoch's preaching about Christ's *return* (Jude 14), to Malachi's message and the corruption of *the temple* and The Levitical Priesthood, Christ was preached.

The Prophets

The Torah tells about *The Promised Seed* to come. What do The Prophets have to say? Enoch proclaimed The Coming of The Lord. Now for a surprise. Isaiah announced how Israel was to be delivered by a *human man-child*. He asked the question, “*Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? Or shall a nation be born at once? For as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children. Shall I bring to the birth and not cause to bring forth? Said the LORD: Shall I cause to bring forth and shut the womb? Said your God?*” (Isaiah 66:8-9). The birth of this one man (a human Messiah) delivers Jerusalem and everyone will rejoice (Isaiah 66:10).

A human is destined to be born to save or deliver Jerusalem. He is The Messiah or Savior. This man does not immediately restore Jerusalem. God allows Isaiah to know and write about a land which becomes a nation. God is building a New Heaven and a New Earth. This restoration will take time (Isaiah 66:22). A time of Israel’s restoration must first occur before The Coming of The New Heavens and The New Earth. The Messiah’s *return* to restore Israel takes *time*. What an amazing prophecy this is, by describing a human Messiah, who will restore Israel.

Joshua, The High Priest, is told that a branch (a man) will grow up as a human and will rebuild The Temple of The Lord (Zechariah 6:12-13). You are told this Messiah shall be a Priest upon His *throne*. This branch is a

Priest/King just like Melchizedek. He is The One who shall bring peace. Melchizedek comes from two Hebrew words “*malak*” and “*tsedaq.*” “*Malak*” is defined as “*a king*” and “*tsedaq*” denotes “*righteousness.*” He is The King of Peace and “*righteousness.*” Who is the human who fulfills these prophecies? *JHVH* (The One True God) tells Isaiah to write this prophecy about this human prophecy of a Messiah.

Then Malachi, the last prophet in *The Old Testament*, foretells how this branch will be a human and He will restore The Temple, “*Behold, I will send my messenger and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom you seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant [Abraham], whom you delight in: behold, he shall come, said the LORD [JHVH] of hosts*” (Malachi 3:1).

This is just a small example from *The Old Testament* proclaiming about a coming human Messiah who will be a Priest/King of *world peace*. In nearly 6,000 years of history what human could have fulfilled these prophecies which were given to The Prophets by The One True God (JHVH)?

The Testament of Jesus is The Spirit of Prophecy. Jesus is The Only One who completes these conditions concerning a human Messiah. Christ is the only Promised Seed, as a human from Abraham’s *seed*, who will be God’s *branch* and High Priest.

CHAPTER 10

CHRIST, THE GROOM

God created the earth and everything in it. That is the reason why *the people* and *the land* belong to God. God's *purpose*, as the owner (through His Son), is to be married. He is destined to rule over everything. God, *The One* who builds everything, intends to dwell with man in His *house* when all are Holy like Him. It is the only way individuals can live in an Eternal Paradise. Two cannot walk together unless they agree.

Morés And Morals

The dictionary defines "*morés*" as "*what is the custom.*" In The United States, you may call it "*being politically correct.*" It has no basis *in fact*, yet it is accepted by a nation, tribe or people as *the way it is*. World religions developed this same pattern. Being *politically correct* can include humanity's ideology (ideas of behavior). This includes instructions about how to worship God.

"*Morals*" are "*truths*" or proper behavior patterns that a civil society demands in order to live prosperously, safely and in good health. God, from The Garden of Eden, only wanted Adam and Eve to be moral by eating from The Tree of Life. Instead, they chose to

eat from the wrong tree (The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil). They felt *politically correct* with their own human ideas of what was good and what was evil.

Jesus Christ The Word

Jesus Christ, as God's *word*, said the same thing. Either a tree produces good fruit or bad fruit (Matthew 7:19-20). The fruit that a person produces determine if they are *moral* or not. (Read the book, *Morality And Economics*, for further insight).

Today, the world is in confusion about what is the way to preserve the earth. All this occurs in an effort to be prosperous and survive. The choice is yours. If you choose God, He will give you His *word* through The Author of Salvation (Christ, The Anointed One).

God's *predestined purpose* is to have every woman and every man become His Sons and, eventually, become The Bride of Christ. The wife must become worthy just as Jesus was worthy. Besides, she must be willing to die for Him to prove *her love* (just as He did, for her).

God, The Father would never allow His Son to marry a woman who doesn't love Him to the same degree as He loves her (Revelation 19). When she does, He will come as *a knight* in God's *glory*. He will be riding on a white horse to take His bride (Revelation 20). Together, as Husband and Wife in God's Holy House, both will live and produce children (those unrepentant who will eventually repent) who will, also, become The Sons of God (Revelation 21:5-7).

Kind After Kind

God, in His Kingdom (as King over all), will do all the work and make all things *new*. The Groom (Christ), who is now The Husband, and His Wife, will have an Eternal Wedding Feast. Everyone must wear proper *Garments of Righteousness*, which is God's *glory or goodness* (Exodus 33). Those who are not clothed in *The Righteousness of God's Glory* are thrown out of The City of New Jerusalem into outer darkness (Matthew 8:10-12). (Read the book, *God's Will*). This marriage is not of *baal as lord or master* over his wife; but it is as it was in the beginning, "*flesh after flesh, bone of bone.*" Honor or high respect is what the relationship will be based upon. *The Law of Moses* allows divorce, but this was *not the original marriage* in The Garden (Deuteronomy 24:1-4 and Mark 10). This marriage lives by *the golden rule* as Jesus foretold (Matthew 7:12). "*Only do to others what you want done to yourself, for this is what The Law and The Prophets are all about*" (paraphrased).

All In All

There is, only, One God and, only, He is good (Matthew 19:17). Since God is good, He knows what is good. The absence of good is evil (which causes harm). Paul said when Christ conquers God's enemies, *death will end*. Christ will return His control of The Kingdom back to God. Only God knows what must be done through goodness. At this time, God will be All In All with God in His Kingdom on The New Earth (I Corinthians 15:28). God will rule as King and do *the work* by

making all things new. Those in outer darkness must drink from *the waters of life* – *the healing leaves* from The Tree of Life (in New Jerusalem) will heal them. The Husband and Wife produce many new children who will be Sons of God in The Kingdom of God to be like God, “*kind after kind*” (Revelation 22:2,17).

The Abrahamic Covenant

Now, The Promised Seed from Abraham fulfills *The Covenant*. It will be a time when all nations will be blessed by Christ. Jesus truly is The Spirit of Prophecy. As King/Priest with His Wife, Christ will make all things new. This Paradise will be according to God’s *will* and will be for the benefit of all. This Kingdom is guaranteed to last forever and everyone will be dressed with the garments of God’s *glory* or *goodness*.

With everyone being like God and His Holiness, all can walk together. Everyone will always be in agreement (Amos 3:3). Joy and happiness will be continual because sin no longer exists (I Corinthians 15:53-57). The Testimony of The Messiah is *the witness* of Jesus’ life. His works are The Words of God, which, in turn, is *prophecy*.

God’s word from The Beginning created everything. He did all things in order to become Christ, in the flesh, as The Author or Genesis of Salvation.

He, by being a faithful witness, is your example to believe in faith The Word of God. Jesus manifested The True God and what He was like (Revelation 1:5).

Thereby, with “*God’s Holy Spirit – In You,*” Christ will lead you to The Truth of God (John 17:17). The Prophecy of God’s *word* by faith allows Christ to be “*In You.*” It is a time when God will be “*All In All!*” You are on the trip of your life. The route is all mapped out for you. Your decision to follow Christ *will guarantee* you to be a part of The Family of God.

The dream of dreams, throughout the world, is to live forever. It no longer needs to be a dream because it is a reality. It is a precious gift from your Father, in heaven.