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PREFACE

“Religion” is “the worshipping of a god.” “Pure religion” is “worshipping The One True God in truth.” Truth is The Word of God. Jesus made this outstanding statement, “They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify [seal for a Holy purpose] them through your truth: your word is truth” (John 17:16-17).

Before Jesus’ persecution, He offered this prayer to His Disciples. He prayed His followers would learn from every *Word of God* so they could “*know the truth.*” Why was your Savior so adamant that all Christians follow *The Word of God*? It is necessary that all Christians become *perfect* and without God, no one can reach any form of “*perfection.*” It is all about “*religion.*” God wants you to worship Him properly.

The Apostle James explains what pure religion is, “*But be you doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves*” (James 1:22).

If you make no change (for the better) in your life, it can make your religion “*all for nothing.*” To worship God and not learn from Him is foolishness. Many do not know *the god* they worship. You may fear God because of His *power*. Or in a catastrophe, you turn to God, but He is not there. God is not satisfied, if you do not know who He is.

You must get to know who God is by worshipping Him properly. Here is James’ comparison, “*For if any [man] be a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like to a man beholding his natural face in a glass [mirror]. For he beholds himself and goes his way and straight-*

way forgets what manner of man he was” (James 1:23-24). **If you do not take The Word of God seriously and refuse to learn The Word of God, then your life is all for nothing.**

The solution is quite simple, “*If any man among you seem to be religious and bridles not his tongue [words], but deceives his own heart [true intention], this man’s religion is vain. Pure [unblemished] religion and undefiled before God [to worship Him] and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world”* (James 1:26-27). **Amazingly, Jesus also prayed you are not to get too involved in this world.**

Your religion must be to help the widows and orphans. You are not to falsely follow the world, while acting *oh, so religious*. You are to change yourself by becoming *The Word of God*. The world claims to be compassionate and merciful in their religion, but in reality they do not change or follow God. God should be your *true love* with no darkness or deceit.

This book is free and no donations can be accepted. Should you have extra funds, help the orphans and the widows who have no family and the truly poor. Please send any comments and/or criticisms. Feel free to list scriptures which may have been overlooked.

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INTRODUCTION

GOD'S EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

God's educational methods are diverse. God is creating you in His image and will leave no student behind. To accomplish this feat, He formed a Private School and a Public School. God's purpose is to Save The World, but is founded upon the free choice He gives you. Since God's intention is to make all His children, eventually, be like Him and to do so, He has steps you must follow. However, you can only follow these steps when you have made the choice to be a Disciple of His.

Everything on the earth belongs to God since He created all things. He is The Father and The One True God, "*Elohim*" as "*The I Am.*" You are to become just like Him (John 17:21). God builds His School (way of life) *on sound methods* which will not fail. God's *will* (His desire) becomes His Counsel, "*Declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times the things that are* [prophecy] *yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand and I will do all my pleasure*" (Isaiah 46:10). This is a guarantee. Which is an absolute. How does God teach all mankind to be like Him?

Free choice demands a diversified *methodology of teaching*. God, first and foremost, considers *every one's* needs and desires. God is The One who gives you understanding, but only by the desires of your heart. He implements His teaching systems to guarantee success. What does The Tower of Babel teach you? What is God's leadership position? God accepts full responsibility without excuse and does all the work. "*You know that the princes* [rulers] *of the*

Gentiles 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 [waiter]; And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant” (Matthew 20:25-27). Matthew makes this achievement quite clear!! Why does God your Father, do all the work? The teacher is the only one who knows the difference between *good* and *evil*.

Out of God’s love for Adam and Eve, He caused them to leave The Garden, where The Tree of Life was. God, however, allowed them to live on His land in Eden. Since they chose to do what was good or evil, they really did not understand how living this life would really work for them. God allowed them to learn through experience and observation, which today is called Science. Over the next thousands of years God permitted the world to experiment on their own as to what would be good or evil. Mankind decided to come up with their own system of deciphering their form of truth. Amazingly, Science continues to make the same mistakes and errors. Science is “*a trial-and-error system*” based upon mathematical probability, and that is the best humans can do when they do not know *right* from *wrong*. A guess and a mathematical probability gives them a theory, but does not provide absolute facts.

Humans have created disciplines in almost every aspect of knowledge. Governments or politics have their own Science, called Political Science. The world has, experimented and works with the best method of rulership. That is the reason so many human systems have been tried and yet, each failed. Each form of

governmental rule begins with good intentions and tyrants believe they know what is best. Each of these governmental structures are humanly designed. A tyrant is generally, one who sincerely believes he knows the best way for everyone else to live.

RULERS COME AND GO

For the last six thousand years, the world has continually tried to discover the best way to live. And the pattern seems to repeat itself. Every new beginning has great hopes. Since they are, ultimately, subject to death, their primary efforts are to survive. When a system of rules meet their survival needs and they are allowed to pursue their personal interests of pleasure, they generally accept that way of life. That form of government can persist for thousands of years, since it is the best anyone can do.

Medical Science tries to extend lives and attempts to search for immortality. With human imagination the possibilities are endless. That is why God, at The Tower of Babel 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 11:6-7).

Humans live in “*a form of Babylon*” because of their various natures. That is why God confused the languages to forestall the future inevitable conclusion – annihilation. God warned, mankind’s way of thinking, “*without God*” produces death. When Christ tells you to come out of Babylon (the world’s human system), He is telling you to stop listening to the human ideas of

right and wrong (Revelation 18:4). Do not be deceived and be lured into following the wrong way. God and Christ want you to cease eating of The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil which only is man's way of thinking that leads to death.

Whether democracies, kingdoms, tyrants or dictators, all systems of world government begin with celebrations of joy. They build to their natural apex and then end in corruption and failure. This is mankind's civilization. (Request the book, *Satan's Image*, which clearly defines this civilization). There are always "*the few individuals*" who remain faithful to God. What is it that God knows that humans do not understand? Since God created all things, only He knows how you can be at liberty. *The Bible* discloses mankind's inherent genetic weakness and how to come out of Babylon. Then, and only then, can you by free choice finally choose what is good or evil. The Kingdom of God is *The Gospel* or good news. When you live in The Kingdom of God, you will have the answer to goodness. This book *The True Churches Of God* covers The Kingdom of God as the only way to eternal Paradise.

CHAPTER 1

LAW AND THE SPIRIT

Unlike a mystery book, *The Bible* explains its theme and purpose in the beginning. You do not have to wait, for the last page, to find out “*what it is all about.*” God always informs you of His intention to make man in His *image*. God is a Spirit just like the angels. As a human, you are not a “*spirit.*” You have been made “*a little lower than the angels*” as *physical* beings. Islam calls *The Bible* – The Book of The People. Why? There is a difference, between *a religion*, and *pure religion*. *The Bible* is about mankind and people with their religions. “*Ideology*” is “*a philosophy*” concerning “*the purpose of life.*” This is the reason why all Ph.D. Degrees are in one, or another form of discipline.

FAITH TO FAITH

The Bible, is The Book of The People, in which God tells you how He will make you in His “*image.*” *The Bible* is The Word of God that teaches you how to become like Him, as a Son of God. When you realize the true aim of *The Bible*, The Word of God will hook your imagination. *The Scriptures* are God’s text book for His “*School of Learning.*” The *scriptures* are not

about *religion*, or how to worship Him, but how to become like Him (John 17:17).

Paul wrote to The Christians in Rome, about how mankind went astray. Instead of honoring God, they worshipped *the creation* (Hebrews 3:4 and Romans 1:21-25). They believed *the creation* revealed God's greatness and therefore, regarded everything in *the creation*, as *gods*. They worshipped the different parts of God's creation, such as the heavens, trees, mountains, rivers, animals, fowl and fish. "*Polytheism*," crept into all faiths and religions, and God calls this "Babylon." Babylon is founded upon human imagination and reasonings (Genesis 11:6). People followed what they thought they should do.

God's textbook starts and continues with its explanation of what will happen at the end of time. *The Alpha* (beginning) and *The Omega* (end) cover the entire history, as prophecy. As *prophecy* becomes *history*, proving to be *the truth* and The Word of God. God should be your *teacher*. God made everyone and everything in the world (Psalm 24). All belongs to Him, because it is His property, which He allows, mankind to occupy. God had *The Bible* written over thousands of years ago by His Prophets and their scribes. Prophets are defined as those who speak *The Word of God* and are God's *scribes* and *secretaries*. To argue over who wrote what, or who did the writing is foolishness, because they spoke and wrote only what God revealed to them. They had to be inspired to write what they did. It could have been revealed in visions, or drawings, about what the Prophecy inspired to teach them.

When a secretary types for her boss, you never debate if she did, or did not type the letter, you only read the letter as coming from the boss. So is it with *The Bible*, except, it was written by many scribes as God's secretaries. Over the years, God's *scriptural text* used many *teaching systems*, because people vary greatly in regard to their level of understanding. Only God knows how to help them learn.

DIFFERENCE OF LAW AND TRUTH

Moses gave *The Law*, "*But grace and truth came by Jesus Christ*" (John 1:17). *The Law of Moses* had a purpose (a teaching or a doctrine) to achieve different goals. *The Law* was a teaching by dictatorial means with a small amount of free choice. *The Law* is defined as "*a transgression*" which is "*sin*" (I John 3:4). *The Law of Moses* cannot and does not do anything, but warn God's people what causes harm to themselves, to others and to God. But *The Law*, shows God's people, how they can stop sinning. God gave them His loving *Law* to help them know what they must and must not do. *The Law* also included a host of numerous human *deeds and works*. *The sacrifices and prophecies* were to remind them of their weaknesses. *The Law* was also a shadow, or prophecy of things to come.

Israel had just come out of slavery in Egypt where they falsely worshipped many "gods." This *Law of Moses*, as *The Old Covenant*, was only made with Israel and no one else (Deuteronomy 5:3). This covenant with its many human works made them pay a penalty for the smallest infraction. One example was, if they

touched a dead animal, they were not allowed to return home until sundown.

God's *method of teaching* His people covered the minutest details to remind them they were not perfect. He treated them as little children in a primary school. Barely knowing their A, B, C's, it was, as if they were in Kindergarten. Each error had a curse, as a penalty to remind them they had not done what was right. It was the same with Adam and Eve who did not obey God. They ate from The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil (their human nature). *Homo sapiens* from birth do not know anything, except what they observe, experience, or are taught.

Jesus came and *magnified The Law*, so you can grow to become perfect. "*Magnify*" means Jesus is writing *God's Law* in your heart for you to consciously choose to know *The Truth* (Isaiah 42:21). *The Law* became *spiritual*. *The Law* in your heart gives you understanding without doing "*the works*." When individuals sin, there is a curse to remind them. They will then, automatically, in their heart and mind, understand *right* from *wrong*. Then, Jesus through His sacrifice removed all *the curses* of *The Law* (Deuteronomy 27 and 28). That is *the grace*, or *mercy*, given you by His sacrifice. In this way, God has Jesus leading you to The Truth, of every Word of God. Christ was The Word of God (Matthew 4:4). Through Christ, God changed His method of *teaching* or *doctrine*, so you will be ready to advance to your Master's Degree. Only Christ had The Truth of God's Law and not The Law of Moses.

CHAPTER 2

THE OLD AND THE NEW TESTAMENT

The Bible is rife with allegories, parables and symbols. For example, Jesus compared *trees to humans*. He said, “*By their fruits you shall know them*” (Matthew 7:20). Symbolizing the trees in the garden as individuals, allows you to decide how to behave (Matthew 7). When you, by free choice, eat from The Tree Of Life, you honor God. The other choice you have, is through all the human experiences accumulated in your lifetime. This personal experience only comes from eating from The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil. You can only follow God when you show *good fruits*. Following Science is by *human observation*. Science is the epitome of human nature which is a form of Babylon.

GOD’S TWO SCHOOLS

When universities originated, everyone looked to God as their *teacher*. The Age of Reason in The Middle Ages produced a great change. Science replaced God, as the teacher and source of knowledge and truth. The scholars learned by what The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil taught. Rabbis and *spiritual teachers* no longer taught *The Torah* or *The Law of God*.

Through their human natures, they replaced *the truth* with *Science*. As time went on, Science became the foundation of all truth. That is why Jesus preached, “*You shall know them by their fruit*” (Paraphrased). Just like the trees in the garden, *the fruit of human nature* was very apparent and called “*Babylon*.” God warned, mankind is incapable of knowing *the truth*. No one knows which road leads to *peace* and *prosperity*. God knows *the only path*. Most of the decisions rendered by leaders of this world multiply the confusion. Christ was right. You will know them by their *fruits*.

In The Garden, God gave mankind a choice of two opportunities to learn – The Father to teach them, or to be on their own to learn through their daily observations and experiences.

To lead you to God, these two ways were instituted to learn The Truth of Life. Isaiah wrote the first step to understand that The Purpose of Life is, “*Seek you the LORD while he may be found, call you upon him while he is near*” (Isaiah 55:6). The way to find God will only be available, while He is still near.

What keeps you from God? Isaiah said, “*Behold, the LORD’S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your God and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear*” (Isaiah 59:1-2). The answer is quite clear! Until you desire and want God to teach you (sin) God will not listen to you. Most rely on their human nature to

learn. Why? Because God knows only too well, no one knows what they are talking about. One example is, if man understood, there would be no wars, or prisons, or greed in governments, or business.

You must *repent*. Repentance is necessary so you can receive God's help. *Biblically*, "*repentance*" is merely defined as "*a change of mind*" (Hebrew and Greek). God knows you will not listen to Him until you truly learn He is The Only One True God and the creator of plants, trees, rivers, lakes, oceans, lands, animals and "you" – you probably are His greatest creation. And because God created you, only He knows what is good for you, "*Thy [your] word is truth [The Word of God]*" (John 17:17).

The Old Testament and *The New Testament* are the methods God uses to *teach* you. *The Old Testament* taught those who were *fearful* of God, but would not repent, so they could follow God. *The Old Testament* was a beginning to learn God's *truth*. *The Torah* (The First Five Books of *The Old Testament*) is known as "*the way*" or "*the path*" to The House of God (His School). The House of God – The Temple of God was a perfect place in which to live a wonderful life and is the best school of life. Issues and degrees merely means *truthful doctrines* or *teachings*. These are not human doctrines taught from human minds, but from The Mind and Word of God. *The Old Testament* was Israel's school to learn to follow God. When they did not learn to follow Him, God sent His Son to save the future generations of Israel. But God also gave The Gentiles their chance.

GOD'S TEACHING METHODOLOGY

To a person who majors in Education, as their discipline (concentration), their entire educational purpose is to learn how to teach. They want to be in *the teaching profession*. They receive their degrees – first their Bachelors, then their Masters and finally, their Doctorate. God's School follows the same pattern. God did not choose *the degree program* for humans, but the secular group learned it from Him. In The Garden of Eden, God gave Adam and Eve an opportunity to learn from Him. Through God, they could have received their Doctorate Degrees, instead, they chose to earn their Bachelors Degrees on their own.

The Torah is the history of how God fulfilled His teaching system by offering a Bachelors Degree. The rest of *The Bible* completes God's *teaching methodology* according to the need of mankind's desires and ability. Attaining your *education* is always a matter of your *free choice*. God used the angels and The Prophets as *tutors* along The Path of Life (I Peter 1:10-12). Jacob's generations grew into a specific nation named Israel. But as they grew, God needed *The Old Covenant* and then *The Law of Moses* was added, because Israel *transgressed* (Galatians 3:24). *The Law* was added to *The Torah* becoming *The Book of The Law*, meant only for Israel (Deuteronomy 5:3). When Israel continued to sin, the added *Law of Moses* was called *The Old Covenant*. The rest of *The Old Testament* was God's witness to Israel. That was under the *Old Covenant*. God used this *system of teaching* under The Priesthood and Rabbi's tutelage. "*The Rabbis*" were called "*Mas-*

ters.” They graduated from being *Bachelors* to become *Masters*. Israel, then had scholars specializing in *The Torah* to teach them *The Way of Life*. *The Old Covenant* was a *testament* of God’s *people* graduating from a *Bachelors Degree* to a *Masters Degree*. On their way, to ultimately, receive a *Doctorate*, in *The Truth*. The truth was *The Way*. *The Way* would lead to *Life Eternal in Paradise* (The House of God). *The New Testament* continued God’s *system of teaching*.

CHAPTER 3

THE MASTER TEACHER – JESUS

The Old Covenant Law was about to be superseded with a new type of people. But only *a remnant* of God's people were willing to change and live by every Word of God. Only a few in Israel responded to God. Israel was supposed to be "*first*," but became "*last*" to receive their Masters Degree. These few were known as The Messianic Jews.

THE MESSIAH AS GOD'S WORD

The Jews were waiting for The Son of David to come and rescue them from the captivity of The Roman Empire. Just like Joshua was a savior, and David was a king, they all were expecting their new Savior and King. They did not know this Savior would be a King/Priest, which represented a new order of The Melchizedek Priesthood, who came to fulfill *the prophecy* given by God to Moses (Deuteronomy 18). He was The Son of David through genealogy – The Son of God. He was to be The Word of God but in *human form*. God's Word was in Christ by The Holy Spirit that overshadowed Him from birth (Luke 1:35).

Jesus Christ, born of Mary (His earthly mother), was also of God, literally "*In Christ*" just as Christians

have “*Jesus – In Them.*” God’s predestined plan was to make man in His image, “*Let us make man in our image, after our likeness*” (Genesis 1:26). Whether Christ or humans, it is God’s Holy Spirit which teaches Christians The Truth.

Christ’s *purpose* was to save Israel first, but God altered His teaching method to reach out to those who were ready and willing to become *righteous* (The Gentiles) (Acts 10:35). God was ready to call them, when they made their free choice to follow Jesus and God (John 17:21).

All God’s *children* are to become The Word of God like Jesus. Jesus, The Christ, was more than Israel’s King, but also their High Priest who would save them *spiritually*. He was *The First Prophet* and the first human to live The Word of God. He was literally God’s *word*.

NEW RABBI

Jesus said, they should do all The Pharisees told them. However, they were also told never follow The Pharisees’ example (Matthew 23). He continues to teach them, The Pharisees and *the scribes* are inadequate teachers. Jesus also said, Judah did not, or would not change. The Temple *worship*, in itself, was corrupted by their leaders.

When new Rabbis were appointed to teach them, Jesus told them, “*O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you that kills the prophets and stones them which are sent to you,*

how often would I have gathered your children together, even as a hen gathers her chickens under her wings and you would not" (Matthew 23:37). Christ wanted them to come to God and be taught in His School. Jesus was the first example to mankind who lived by every Word of God. Therefore, you must strive to follow Christ's example.

Since the Israelites chose not to live by The Word of God, now was the time to change their teacher from Moses and *The Old Testament* to *The New Testament*. Some Jews (the remnant) believed Christ kept *The Law* as The Messianic Jews did and followed their Savior. However, the newly repentant Children of God (The Gentiles) under a *New Covenant* were also to become The New Witnesses of God. *The New Testament witnesses* were now added to The Remnant of *The Old Testament* witnesses (The Twelve Tribes of Israel), "*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*" (Matthew 23:8-10). This was an entire change of personnel. Their old teachers through The Levitical Priesthood were being replaced by a new teaching staff. With the change of The Priesthood came changes of how *The Law* was to be administered (Hebrews 7:12).

PHYSICAL WORKS TO SPIRITUAL

This change of The Priesthood, demanded a *complete new teaching methodology* from *The Letter of The Law*

to *The Spirit of The Law* (II Corinthians 3). *The Old Covenant* was to lead them to Christ (Galatians 3:24). But when Christ came, it was no longer necessary to be righteous by *human works*, or *human efforts*, but only by *faith*. *Faith* demands you have *full trust* in your teacher. You must trust God, as Jesus trusted His Father. Jesus taught the woman from Sumeria that God was a Spirit and wanted to be worshipped, *spiritually* (John 4:24). People either learn by force or desire. *The Law* forced them, but they had the choice, to freely follow God. *Faith is the primary goal for all Christians.*

For those in *The New Covenant*, The Rabbis, or scholars were no longer to be your teachers. The curriculum was entirely new – a new school of teaching other than The Synagogue. The Synagogues were for those who were still coming to Christ, including The Messianic Jews. James, The Just, who was their teacher, as Bishop of The Jerusalem Church, bringing The Jews to Jesus by *The Law*. That is why Paul went to The Synagogue as Christ directed His Apostles to do. To The Jews *first* and then to The Gentiles. Jesus said, Salvation is of The Jews (John 4:22). Christianity starts with *The Old Covenant* and then to be changed with *The New Covenant*. With *The New Covenant*, Christ is able to save you (who magnified the law). Now you are saved through *a spiritual change* and no longer through The Levitical Priesthoods of human effort and works. The Bachelors Degree has been earned. Now, on to a Masters Degree, where individuals must exercise great *faith* in their teacher – God only, then you can be saved.

CHAPTER 4

GOD'S CURRICULUM

God created Adam, and then created his wife, Eve, from a part of Adam's body (Genesis 1 and 2). Thus, Adam and Eve had the same DNA. Eve was actually made from Adam's bone and flesh. God made them male and female, but they were one flesh. God joined them together and then "*no man was to tear them asunder* [separate]." They were never to be divorced or separated. When God creates something, it is always left as is (Genesis 1:31). Any tampering with God's *work* is "*a sin*" and defined as "*less than perfect*." In fact, Adam and Eve's job was merely to dress and keep The Garden, as God created, because it was "*all good*." If they did not, dress and keep the Garden, they would destroy "*The Perfect Work of God*." Only God is good and only He can create everything that is good.

JESUS EXPLAINS GOD'S SCHOOL

God's *purpose* is to make man in His own image to be exactly like Him. *The Bible*, is The Text Book of God, explaining how He makes man in His *image*. God *refers to man*, because Eve came from *man* and the couple are of *one flesh*, united by God, Himself,

from *man's bone and flesh*. Man must not put asunder what God has joined together. Godly marriage is an example of God's *image*. The Godhead is God and all that He is, can be and will be. He is "The I Am."

Did you know, Jesus reveals God's complete curriculum of how He intends to make *man* in His *image*. Jesus was confronted by The Pharisees about marriage (Matthew 19), asking Christ was it all right to *divorce a wife* for any reason. He told them, Moses allowed them to divorce because they had a wrong heart, and to prevent the possibility of one of them killing the other. But, originally, marriage was a joining together *as one flesh*, never to be destroyed. To be "*till death do them part*." *The marriage union* depicts how God makes man in His *image* (John 17:21).

Couples are to be married "*To Christ*." "*When Christians have "Christ – In Them,"* they are becoming "*The Word of God*." Christ and all Christians will become "*one*" in God's exact *image*. It is all about marriage through Jesus, so everyone can become like God. God summarizes His entire method of *teaching the world* in *The Bible* (Matthew 19).

The Disciples who heard His original marriage, did not permit divorce. So, would it be better for a man not to even consider marriage (Matthew 19:10). Jesus said, "*it is a matter of free choice*." In fact, God's entire method of teaching is *a matter of everyone's free choice*. He tells The Disciples, "*All men cannot receive this saying, save [except those] they to whom it is given [the ability to control themselves]*" (Matthew 19:11).

Unless God calls some men to remain single, they may not keep themselves from sinning. Christ says, some men are born to be single and probably should not have children. This rule applies to sick, single men, who have 9 to 12 children, each with different women. Other men are forced to be eunuchs and never marry. Some, by their own choice, choose not to marry and only serve God and The Word of God, like the Monks.

It is all a matter of *free choice* whether it is better for some to marry *for life*, or better to remain single. The important part is for everyone to be dedicated to enter The Kingdom of God and attempt to be in The *Image of God* (Matthew 19:11-12). Christ continues explaining how you can be in God's Kingdom by becoming like Him.

On one occasion a few children ran up to Christ, but The Disciples tried to prevent them from bothering Him. Jesus intervened and blessed the children for good reason, "*Suffer little children and forbid them not, to come to me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven*" (Matthew 19:14). Wow! This is a perfect example of how you are to be ready to be taught by God. First, you need to repent to receive The Mind of God. Only then can you begin to think like Him, much like any child who is eager to learn.

As God's Disciple, when you are truly ready to be taught, you are accepted to attend His "*synagogue*." Ready, or not, is always a point of *free choice* and for a good reason. A rich man came to Jesus and asked him, "*Good Master [Rabbi], what good thing shall I do, that*

I may have eternal life” (Matthew 19:16). The Messiah said, ***“Only God is good,”*** and not to call Christ ***good*** (Matthew 19:17). The next step required, is to become like God because only He is ***good***. Only God knows what is ***good*** and ***what is not good***. First, you are to repent and be ***child-like*** seeking to learn. You must have complete ***faith*** believing God knows ***the truth*** of human existence and His purpose. He alone possesses Godly ***goodness***.

If the rich man chose to follow Jesus, he would have to sell everything he had, or give it to the poor. Being rich was his downfall. Rich meant everything to him. Jesus warned, ***“That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of God*** [The Kingdom of God].” But God can do it, ***“With men*** [human works] ***this is impossible; but with God all things are possible***” (Matthew 19:26). Do you comprehend what Jesus just said? Whatever God ***wills***, He will and can do. Christ was to come into ***the world to save the world*** (paraphrased) (I John 4:14) . Do you believe that?

Most believe they are not rich, so this warning to the rich man is of no concern to them. But yes, it is! Here is your Savior’s final requirement for God to make you in His ***image*** and for you to become ***perfect*** like God, ***“And every one that has forsaken houses or brethren or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands*** [nations], ***for my name’s sake, shall receive an hundred-fold and shall inherit everlasting life***” (Matthew 19:29).

Do you understand these vital words? You are all rich and desire something above all else like ***the rich man***.

Everyone in this life holds their individual desires dear to them. If anything is keeping you from being like God, you have a serious problem. You must be teachable in order to be like God, since this is the only way to receive The Gift of Eternal Life. God has His *School* to teach you to be able to be in His *image*. This is God's complete textbook and teaching method. If you truly desire to be like God, you will pass the test, no matter what effort it takes.

CHAPTER 5

BABES TO MATURITY

When women experience childbirth, it is *a symbol of spiritual growth*. In fact, God made the entire universe to reveal Him and His loving purpose (Romans 1). The woman came from man as the genesis of “*like kind*” from a male’s sperm. The seed was created from the male. The wife is to give nutrition and teach the lessons of life to make sure their household is properly cared for.

PHYSICAL TO SPIRITUAL

God compares physical locations (geographically) to depict *spiritual growth* in *The Bible*. Ezekiel, The Prophet, shows God had chosen Jerusalem as His Bride and Wife from childbirth (Ezekiel 16). Then, Paul likens New Jerusalem, which is presently in Heaven, as The Mother of The Entire World (Galatians 4:26). The reason Paul chose The Heavenly Jerusalem, over the earthly one, was because sin had corrupted the earthly Jerusalem. God will not come in contact with any form of sin. The Romans captured the earthly Jerusalem which was to be The City of Peace and Safety for the entire world – a far cry from the present-day Jerusalem which is in turmoil. Today’s Jerusalem is still in Babylon and not in The Rest

of God. Paul, clearly compares his physical growth experience from child to adulthood with his *spiritual growth*, “*For we know [knowledge] in part and prophecy in part [preach God’s word]. But when that which is perfect is come [spiritual], 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*” (I Corinthians 13:9-11). The “trip” from child to adult cannot be explained in a simpler manner!

Paul directly transfers your physical life’s experiences representing *spiritual growth* to becoming perfect. In fact, Paul continues, “*For now we see through a glass [mirror], darkly; but then [when matured to perfection] face to face*” (I Corinthians 13:12). You will see what you are learning, when you see your growth in a mirror, which will *in time* be just like God. As you grow into adulthood, thinking you have all the answers, but you will only know “*in part.*” As you grow in God’s doctrines, especially in teenage years, to think that you have all *the truth*, when in reality your knowledge is without any *adult experience* and does not provide you with the real truth. You begin to become dogmatic and you do have *the truth*, but that is not God’s way. Many times teenagers insist they can make their own decisions like Adam and Eve. Elderly men looking into a mirror see a totally different person than what they saw when they were younger. You easily see the aging process at a glance. You have finally come full circle in life and are exactly like Christ and God (*spiritually*). Paul completes this *physical* journey to *growing spiritually* “*In Christ.*” This completion can

happen if you remain *faithful*. How clear! God is The Greatest Teacher! Now you will learn how God's *Gift of Faith* can save you.

CHAPTER 6

GOD'S TEACHING TOOLS

“Faith,” above all else, is ***“God’s greatest teaching tool.”*** You are saved by God’s Gift of *Faith*. Paul said, you must live from *faith to faith*. You are only justified by *faith* (Romans 1). Why is *faith* so powerful that it causes you to be *saved by faith*? How does God give you this *gift* which can make you *grow to perfection*?

FAITH IS NOT BLIND

Those who do not believe in God believe Christianity must live by *blind faith*, but have no proof. In reality, *faith* is based upon *the truth* and has substance, ***“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen”*** (Hebrews 11:1). This is Paul’s definition of *faith*. Notice first, *faith* is based upon *substance that is logical* and makes real sense. *Faith* has to be proven to be real and having *blind faith is useless to you*. Christians are not to ***“just believe,”*** but must study and prove all things. Gravity is real, because every time you fall, you head downward, and not upward which is *a reality* – not *blind faith*. The Truth of gravity makes you cautious around heights, and that is your evidence. You learn by experience. The right and only way will always *work perfectly*. Then, your *faith* has substance in truth.

It makes *intellectual sense* for you to live God's way for a better life. God's Word means exactly what it says. Job went through His experience of being super-rich and a leader in his society. When he lost everything, he could not understand the meaning of what had happened to him. He had been so careful in keeping The Word of God. Even though he wanted to stand before God's presence, he did not lose *faith* in God and truly, kept his *faith*. He had *hope*, because God had already proved in his life that He was blessed above all others, and had everything any human could want.

Why did God allow Satan to try him? Job's life is a good example of how God allows a person to be tested, even by Satan, to grow and have more *faith*.

When Jesus was tried before He was crucified, He felt God had left him, "*My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*" (Matthew 27:46). He had to remain *faithful* in *hope* to His *death*. Jesus, Himself, had His final trial to show His *faith* in His Father. He qualified to be The Author of Your Salvation (Hebrews 12:1-2). This final act gave substance to Christ's *faith*. Job and Jesus were two examples of their *faith* based upon substance.

Jesus and Job are two examples of how God allows you to grow in *faith* from one trial to another. Read the examples of those who continued to grow in Godly *faith* as Abraham and his son, Isaac (Hebrews 11). Abraham was ready to accept the death of his son, believing God would resurrect him and keep His promise. These examples show why *faith* is used as one of

God's teaching tools. He keeps helping you to grow in substantive *faith*, not *blind faith*, but *true faith*, as you live your life. *Faith* for your good life may even require an early death, because you have grown to believe in a god – "*yourself*." The One True God is always there for you. As God substantiates "*He is God*" and as you grow in *faith by life's experiences*, He will bless you. This blessing is His gift to you to learn how to always have absolute trust "*In Him*." You must trust God, no matter what you experience in this life. God allows every person to trouble Him (in prayer), because He is The Only One who can raise you from the dead (Hebrews 9:27).

INSPIRATION OF GOD

Christians claim *The Bible is inspired*. How can this be? Many believe it is not. What is the conflict? God grants mankind *a spirit of life*, but He is required to give you understanding (Job 32:8). You are born of the animal kingdom, like any other animal. A good *Biblical* example would be when Nebuchadnezzar, King of Babylon, got a big head. God removed his understanding and had him roam for seven years as a wild animal (Daniel 4). He had The Mark of the Beast and had to struggle for survival on his own. God removed his ability to reason. He lost *the human understanding* God had originally given him.

Born of human parents, you rely on their loving teachings, as you grow physically. This teaching allows you to understand human existence. If you were raised by bears, or wolves, thinking how you would live and

the many things you would do differently. You are of the animal kingdom. How do humans learn by human experience and physical growth? You learn from your parents how to live this human life, thus, setting humans apart from the animals.

How do you begin to think like your Father – God? Certainly, humans do not necessarily know, unless their parents teach them. Their limitation is that parents can only teach them what their *faith* is and how far they have grown, no more! This generally starts your *faith* and *belief* in God. When not taught by your parents, you learn from others, or from your personal experiences. Eventually, you may grow to the place where you find God will make sense in your life.

What makes *The Bible* inspired? The Word of God in *The Bible*, obviously, does not make everyone believe. With belief, everyone would have *faith*, knowing *the scriptures* are The Words of God. Something else must inspire you that *The Bible* is The Word of God – God and only God, The Father gives you *understanding*. The “*Spirit – In Man*” gives you *understanding* and makes you an individual as opposed to an animal. God made mankind human – Homo sapiens, as opposed to animals who function by instinct.

Since Eve is the mother of all mankind, you learn from your parents. Apes are *Homo erectus* and walk upright like mankind, but are not Homo sapiens with human understanding. God gave mankind human understanding as opposed to animal understanding. Adam and Eve were the first Homo sapiens, which is

why Adam was called a Son of God. Only Homo sapiens have *the gift* from God to become like Him (Genesis 5:1). Only Eve, who came from Adam, could be human with human understanding to be in *The Image of God*.

Adam and Eve looked like God. But how does God make His Sons be like Him? What is lacking? How do Homo sapiens (humans) become like God? Without God's Holy Spirit, no human can be inspired by The Word of God. The definition for "*The Holy Spirit*" in Hebrew and Greek means "*to understand what was not known previously.*" "*Inspiration*" is "*intellectual understanding.*" You abstract from what is known to the unknown. You come to learn and are aware of knowledge that you formerly did not possess and are inspired.

Here is what Job finally learned from God, "*I know that you can do every thing 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 42:2-3).

Job, as a human, believed in God and perfectly obeyed Him because he had *faith*. Now, by his *faith* in trusting God, he learned that he did not "*know it all.*" He was not God and finally learned His lesson. Job needed to continue having total trust in God, no matter what God could bestow on him. He, finally, repented and once again became teachable as a little child learning from his teacher, God (Job 42:6). It is God who

always does *the work* and your human work is nothing. Humans on their own cannot be profitable (John 6:63). Only God is The Father and Teacher who can make you in His *image*. You need The Gift of God's Holy Spirit to learn *the truth* (John 16:13). The truth can only be given by The Word of God which sanctifies you to become Holy, as Sons of God (John 17:17).

Inspiration by God comes from His Word as your *teacher*. It takes "*The Spirit – In Man*" to give human understanding for you to believe in God. To be in God's *image*, you need The Gift of God's Holy Spirit. Then, and only then, can you understand what inspires you to comprehend the reason you are being taught to follow The Word of God.

CHAPTER 7

WHAT IS A DOCTRINE?

What is “*a doctrine?*” Why are so many Churches divided over doctrine? Some denominational churches will not even read doctrines from other churches, worried they will find someone who disagrees with what they believe. They may be surprised to know other doctrines may not be so different from their own beliefs.

GOOD AND BAD DOCTRINES

Paul warns Christians, “*Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace [mercy]; not with meats, which have not profited [helped] them that have been occupied therein*” (Hebrews 13:9). The Apostle did not say Christians should not read different doctrines, but warned them not to establish these different doctrines in their hearts. Paul told Christians to have *grace* or *mercy* toward others concerning doctrines. Why? “*Jesus Christ the same yesterday and to day and forever*” (Hebrews 13:8). Christians are to follow *The Word of God* as The Apostles taught (Hebrews 13:7). A doctrine should not teach anything against Jesus Christ, as he is *The Word of God*.

The Apostle is teaching you not to follow doctrines

which lead you away from Christ. This warning is quite simple! You need to understand what a doctrine is before you make a judgment. Studying what someone else believes is not committing a sin. You need to make your own *free choice* to follow Jesus, *The Word of God*. But again what is a doctrine?

DOCTRINE – JUST A TEACHING

Paul declared, “*The just shall live by faith*” (Romans 1:17). Godly *righteousness* comes by *faith* in God through His Holy Spirit. Doctrine (a teaching) does not give you Salvation, even though the doctrine may be *true*. Still, it is always *faith* that saves you and not a doctrine. “*Doctrines*” can be defined as “*prophecy,*” “*a shadow,*” “*a symbol,*” “*a sign,*” “*Bible history,*” “*idioms*” or “*any new understanding about the scriptures.*”

Doctrines can increase your understanding, as God sees human nature change. The Apostle Paul lists a group of doctrines which are all *true*, but reveals these doctrines are meaningless unless you have God’s *agapé love* (I Corinthians 13:1-3). Love is a never-ending doctrine and is the same as *faith*, which directly saves you.

CHANGING DOCTRINES

The list of doctrines Paul wrote, means nothing to God and “profits nothing.” You can never receive Salvation though tongues, prophecy, mysteries, knowledge, or having *faith*. In The Garden, God rested from the work He created (Genesis 2:2). Adam and Eve did not

have to cease from their work, since they had not done any work and were already in God's Sabbath Rest.

Israel received The Sabbath Day, as *a sign*, referring to God's *Rest* in The Garden. This sign revealed a prophecy of good things to come. The Sabbath *sign* given at Mount Sinai was different in purpose. The Sabbath *sign* given after Israel sinned was changed. They were forced to go into *the wilderness* rather than into God's *Rest*.

As a sign at Sinai, Israel was to enter The Promised Land in remembrance of The Garden of Eden (Exodus 20:8-11). After they sinned, The Sabbath *sign* was to remind them they were *slaves* and later were to go into *the wilderness* rather than to *The Promised Land* (Deuteronomy 5:12-15).

Jesus *magnified The Law* to make it more *honorable* and eliminate *the works* of *The Old Testament* (Isaiah 42:21). Now, The Sabbath was *lawful* to do good works, if it happened to be hard work, such as pulling an ox or lamb out of the ditch. Working on The Sabbath to save a life was now *lawful*. Christ came to magnify *The Law* (Matthew 12:12).

Finally, The Sabbath was extended to every day to be in God's *rest* by doing *good works*. *The Magnified Law* makes each and every day a Sabbath for you to do *good works* (not just on one day of the week) (Hebrews 3 and 4). The Sabbath is no longer *a sign* of good things to come and represents God's *rest* in *Paradise* (Revelation 21 and 22). What wonderful changes concerning

the precious Sabbath! *Doctrines and the teachings of God do change. Only spiritual growth through faith and by becoming or having God's love, will complete God's purpose for you to receive Salvation. This is the reason love fulfills (completes) God's Law (Romans 13:10).*

A Lexicon, or a Concordance, defines "*a doctrine*" as "*a teaching,*" that merely means *a part of The Word of God. Paul explains, "For we know in part and we prophecy in part" (1 Corinthians 13:9). Paul informs you to grow spiritually from "faith to faith" and adds, "The just shall live by faith" (Romans 1:17).*

Doctrines, or teachings change in meaning, as you spiritually grow from faith to faith. If you bury your talent, you will stop growing "In Christ" (Matthew 25). A doctrine must keep growing in spiritual knowledge. Christians must keep growing doctrinally to increase their understanding of The Word of God. A "doctrine" is "a magnified understanding of a weightier doctrinal truth." When you grow spiritually, you grow in faith. Paul said, "For whatsoever is not of faith is sin" (Romans 14:23). Doctrine should be your belief.

DOCTRINAL DIVISION

Does God allow doctrinal differences in His Church? Yes, he does. Almost all of I Corinthians 3 covers this subject. God always allows His children *free choice*. Paul explains how God handles dissensions over doctrine in The Church of God. The explanation of the way God works with His children over doctrinal dif-

ferences (1 Corinthians 3:1-23).

Your Father begins with you as a baby “*In Christ.*” When you are “*carnal*” means “*a person fights and debates over doctrine,*” much like animals trying to survive. The Apostle concludes, “*Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours; Whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas [Peter], or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours; And you are Christ’s; and Christ is God’s*” (I Corinthians 3:22-23).

Do you grasp what Paul is telling you? Paul did not say you should not consider any minister, or preacher (which is only a man), to be right, but you need to read every *Word of God* and not be hung up on any one particular teaching (Matthew 4:4). This mistake Satan made when he accurately quoted Psalm 91 about the angels feeding Jesus. He did not know every *Word of God*. God is not to be tempted. Preachers are not infallible, they only know “*in part.*”

Paul did not want anyone to glorify him. Only Christ and God are to be given *glory*, or *honor*, as having all the truth. Only Christ and God deserve honor. Man can be in error. How can you tell? “*Know you not that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?*” (I Corinthians 3:16). God teaches you through “*Christ – In You*” by your ability to understand. Only God and Jesus know your heart. Only God knows what truth you are ready to accept, and that it is all a matter of *free choice*, the same *free choice* Adam and Eve had. Christ told you God’s Holy Spirit

would lead you to *the truth* (John 14:26). Mere man cannot lead you to all *the truth*.

Paul clarified the fact that one preacher teaches one thing and another teaches something else. But all are right if they lay their foundation "*In Christ*" (I Corinthians 3:11). When a preacher commits an error, he will be *tested* and *tried in the fire*. If he is wrong, the falsehood will be destroyed, but the minister will be saved, once he learns the error of his teachings. How wonderful God is, who gives you understanding by His *spirit*, as you grow *spiritually*.

You must not be as a baby "*In Christ*" who does not know better and debates over *doctrine* like a small child. The end result is to be "*tossed to and fro... with every wind of doctrine*" (Ephesians 4:14). Ministers should be preaching to help you become perfect in *The Stature of Christ*. You must become mature and not stay as a baby. Troublemakers in the church who insist only they have the truth should be avoided. Those who split The Body of Christ by their dogmatic teaching should be turned over to Satan (I Corinthians 5:5). After three warnings anyone *causing trouble or dissension* in The Church, should be *rejected* from the group.

GOD'S DOCTRINAL TEACHING

How does God teach Christians doctrine? The Apostle Paul is very clear how God through Christ teaches you according to your level of understanding, "*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, I put away childish things. For now we see through a glass [mirror], darkly; but then face to face [speaking directly with God]: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known” (I Corinthians 13:11-12).

God knows your heart and what you should know regarding any doctrine. Later, He will disclose all truth to you when you talk with Him – face-to-face. The word in Greek for “*child*” in I Corinthians 13 is translated “*babe*” and is exactly the same in I Corinthians 3. Both references mean you are considered babies, infants, or little children, knowing little, or nothing at all. Children always insist they are right and feel rejected when others tell them they are wrong, are hurt or feel rejected. Just like Job, they insist upon *their righteousness*. There is no understanding of God’s *righteousness*. God’s ways are higher than your ways and His thoughts are higher than your thoughts. His mind is so much more superior to yours (Isaiah. 55).

When you learn *a doctrine*, it is not *the whole truth* but a small clue to a mystery. A doctrine is a teaching but only part of a whole. An example can be explained when a person begins to learn mathematics, first learning simple Arithmetic, then Algebra, then Geometry to Trigonometry then, Calculus. You must start with the basics before you do higher mathematics.

You should look at doctrine the same way. You need to know *the whole* before you will clearly comprehend all the parts. That is why God and Christ are The

Alpha and The Omega, the Beginning and the End. God teaches you *doctrine* – according to your heart – bit-by-bit. As God's people you should not debate, or argue over *doctrine*, or any new teaching when all any of you know is only "*in part*." Instead, you should prove all *scripture* given you. God expects you to prove through The Word of God, *the scripture, is the truth*.

You are carnal, as animals and babies "*In Christ*." Instead, Jesus tells you, the world will know you are one of Christ's Disciples, if you love each other (John 13:35). Disciples are students or followers of your teacher, Jesus, The Christ, "*Wherefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling*" (Philippians 2:12).

CHAPTER 8

FLESH TO SPIRIT

The “*Spirit – In Man*” (from Adam) has human intellect and separates you from the animals. You begin to think, a little, like God. You were made a little lower than the angels and are not completely “*spirit*” like the angels. You have some of “*The Spirit – In Man*” (intellect) and the rest are made of flesh like the animals.

The problem is, what animal are you like? You have human intellect but are still flesh in the animal kingdom. What does this mean?

ADAM – A FIGURE OF CHRIST

Adam was *a figure of Christ* (Romans 5:14). The fact means exactly what it says – Adam was the first Savior. You have discovered *The Bible* has many *saviors* like Joshua, even King Cyrus who gave Judah the right to rebuild The Temple of God. Why was Adam the first type of Messiah? The earliest Prophets and the angels knew a Savior, “Christ” would come, but they did not know who or when (I Peter 1). Even the angels wondered about who The Christ, was just as the entire world wondered. Adam was The First Jesus (Savior) because of his love for Eve who was from

his own flesh, or like any female animal, who gives her life for her babies. Adam decided to die with Eve even though he was not deceived, as Eve had been (I Timothy 2:14). Adam was not the transgressor – Eve was. Adam willingly gave his life for his wife, knowing he would die, just like Christ died for His Bride. Being one flesh, Adam did not want to live without Eve. Now the world had to wait for their Savior, since all had sinned and come short of The Glory of God. Now a Savior had to come to *save the whole world* (I John 4:14). Adam was *the first Savior*, but failed. *A new Savior* was to come.

This Savior had to die for all sins of the Whole World including those of His Bride. Why? Because Adam and Eve had children throughout their generations. God gave “*The Spirit – In Man*” to every human from Adam and Eve. God intended to make man (Homo sapiens), in His *image*, including the rest of the world. The problem with *the flesh* is, it is of the animal kingdom.

CLEAN AND UNCLEAR

What is the difference between *clean* and *unclean* animals? Clean animals are farm animals that can be taught, domesticated and used by man. Wild animals will kill for food or for safety. Domestic, or farm animals, can react when threatened, but are nowhere near as ferocious as a wild animal. Even domesticated clean animals vary when compared to an ox or a ram, although they can be controlled. The lamb, however, is one animal that is never hostile and will never cause

harm. Gentle lambs go to their death without being harmful. This describes the full gambit of animal behavior. The clean animals are teachable in differing degrees, but the wild animals are truly beasts and unteachable. That is why God uses animals for sacrifice to depict the variety of human behavior. The Priesthood uses only clean animals to be *a shadow*, or type of *human behavior* (Hebrews 5:11). These animal sacrifices are only shadows of human behavior, but do not make anyone perfect in God's *image* (Hebrews 10:1). Fleshly, mankind cannot become perfect with, or by his own works or deeds, but needs God through The Holy Spirit (Luke 1:35).

Being in God's *image* requires everyone to become Spirit like the angels. Even the angels did not know the entire Word of God. Satan, formerly a cherub of God, was an angel who did not know all The Word of God. Jesus told followers, they must live by each and every Word of God. Christ, was the complete Word of God from birth (John 3:34). Jesus, knowing all *the truth*, had to prove His *faith* by living every Word of God. He could not be your Savior without proving He was *faithful* (Revelation 1:5).

Christ said, "*flesh is flesh and Spirit is spirit.*" John, The Baptist said, "*He that comes from above* [God's Word] *is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly and speaks of the earth: he that comes from heaven* [God's Word] *is above all* (John 3:31). Quite simple! You must be born of The Spirit and the flesh must die. *Spirit is spirit and flesh is flesh.* There is only One True God who wants you to be like Him. This fact sounds re-

dundant, but is exactly what must take place. You must first become Spirit by growing – *spiritually* (Romans 8 and Hebrews 12:2).

God must teach you. Your flesh must die (body) and be like a new baby “*In Christ.*” Baptism pictures your death by first repenting when God sees your heart (desires) and you seek God. Then, wanting to be like Him, you change your human mind for The Mind of God. Read the prophecy and history of *The Book of The People* (world) as The Muslims claim. The human family is being taught The Word of God. *The Bible* is God’s textbook and relates how He makes the world in His *image* by His own predestined plan.

CHAPTER 9

THE SPIRIT IN CHRIST

Humans lack The Mind of Christ. Jesus told His Disciples, “*That they [disciples] all may be one; as you, are in me and I in you, that they also may be one*” (John 17:21). The real Trinity is when God, *The Father*, and His Son Jesus with all His true Disciples became “*One*” in The Father’s *image*.

What did your Messiah have that was so radically different, than what any of the angels, or the other humans have? What Christ had (which no one has) was God’s Holy Spirit from birth. Jesus at birth received God’s Holy Spirit, the power which made Him Holy (Luke 1:35). Without this Gift from God, Jesus would be human like everyone else. You lack God’s Holy Spirit and therefore, are only human until God gives you this gift.

GOD’S HOLY SPIRIT

At birth, you do not know, or have the ability to know, *good* and *evil*. Therefore, all mankind is born *in sin*. You need to receive God’s Holy Spirit by *adoption* from your human parents. Jesus Christ, from His birth, was overshadowed by God’s Holy Spirit which made

Him The First Begotten Son of God. God has also adopted you from your human parents to become a Son of His (Ephesians 1:5). God's DNA is placed within you by His Holy Spirit. If you are growing in the ways laid out in *The Bible*, then you will begin to think like Christ and God (Philippians 2:5). As God's Son from His birth, what did He have to overcome since He had the advantage of God's Holy Spirit to lead Him into all truth? He had the same test all humans have – born with a fleshly body just like you. He had to prove his *faith* and *love* for God. Your Messiah had a greater test than any other human. God's Holy Spirit led Him to *the truth*. Because Christ had *the truth*, He would have been found guilty had He committed the smallest sin, “*Jesus said to them, If you were blind [not knowing], you should have no sin: but now you say, We see; therefore your sin remains*” (John 9:41). Before everything Christ did, He knew what was *right* or *wrong*, but still really had to have *faith* – it was His test. If He had sinned, even once, He could not have been The Messiah. Since being The Very Word of God, He had to live every Word of God. God put His Holy Spirit “In Christ” from birth. Christ because He was faithful was able to follow through on God's plans.

Your heart pumps your blood to circulate your entire body and give you life. Your heart is what makes you function as a human being. Without your heart functioning properly, you would die. It is the same with your life's experiences. Whether you are positive or not depends on your choices and experiences in life. What makes your human existence worthwhile? What drives every one of you (Proverbs 18:1-4)? *Solo-*

mon writes, your *desires* determine what you will do. Humans do not know *good* and *evil*, but instead, you make “*life choices*.” Be sure to read Proverbs 18 to learn about *wisdom* in a thoughtful and realistic way.

Solomon clearly reveals, *your innermost desires* confuse your ability to make right decisions. Any hidden, deep-seated emotion, or passion, will keep you from logically using your intelligence. Then, you destroy your *God-given talent* to have *wisdom*. You can no longer think straight. You hinder your logical common sense to use your intellect properly. “*Confusion*” or “*Babylon*” is the outcome. The lack of *wisdom* is like a person in deep water who cannot see anything in front of him. Life lacks purpose and you become depressed. (Request the free book, *What Is Idolatry*, which provides many little-known parts on the many characteristics of idolatry).

Your wrong desires can become false idols. You, too often, start worshipping *a false god* instead of The One True God. Only “YHWH — The I AM,” can give you the wisdom to think straight or logically. Jesus, as God’s Son, grants you wisdom by revealing God and who He is, “*Wisdom*” is depicted as “*a clear running spring of water where you can see all the way to the bottom.*” As the healing waters run over the rocks and you keep drinking, you begin to grow increasingly wiser, and understand logically what human life is all about. You become a positive and optimistic human. Life suddenly has true purpose and significance. You no longer face human death which, for Christians in faith, is only to be a sleep.

CHAPTER 10

GOD'S METHODS OF TEACHING

Adam and Eve were the first true Homo sapiens with “*The Spirit – In Man*” to be able to be in *The Image* of God. “*The Spirit – In Man*” can be taught to understand how to become like God (Job 32:8).

TEN STEPS TO CHRIST

- 1) Because Adam and Eve had *free choice*, God's educational system had to be given *freely to those who wanted to follow God*. It was given to comprehend the purpose of human existence.

Instead, Adam and Eve chose to learn on their own about their human existence. However, God was still a tutor to guide them, but Adam and Eve and all other humans had to find out for themselves.

- 2) Mankind, too, has free choice. This system of free choice continued for almost two thousand years.

Civilization lived by their own efforts of survival, learning right from wrong through the hard knocks of life. This learning was history.

beginning from The Garden to The Tower of Babel.

- 3) Only one man, Abraham, agreed to have God as his tutor. *In faith*, he trusted every Word of God and became The Father of The Faithful.
- 4) Because of Abraham's *faith*, he and his seed, were promised to receive and enter God's land and be blessed forever. This promise could have become The New Land of Eden or Pleasantry. This promise was passed on to Abraham's progeny. Isaac and Jacob inherited the same promises made to Abraham.
- 5) Jacob's name was changed to Israel, as God from the sub-planter, to one who prevails with God. This change meant Jacob looked to God for his *blessings*. Israel grew into The Twelve Tribes and ended up in slavery in Egypt. Finally, Israel was delivered by God to inherit The Promised Land given to Abraham, with Moses as their *leader*. (But, later Joshua brought new generations of Israelites with the fall of the Walls of Jericho).

Then Israel kept sinning, so God exiled them from God's *rest*. They had to endure forty years in *the wilderness* on their own.

God, always mindful of them, had an angel lead them. But He still did not give *mercy*, when they sinned (Exodus 23).

Moses, and The Israelites, in the wilderness, died and did not enter The Promised Land, because they lacked *faith* and doubted God (Hebrews 3).

- 6) Joshua as Israel's Savior led this new generation (born in the wilderness) into The Land of Canaan. To stay in The Land of God, they had to, diligently, keep *The Law* given to Moses, because they were to be *witnesses* as God's *chosen people*.
- 7) Israel, as God's people, obeyed Joshua and the elders as long as they lived. When David became King of Israel, he had grown into a man with a right heart and was promised he and his seed would rule Israel forever through his family.

When his son Solomon, was ruler, he built The Temple of God, as his father David had hoped to do. Solomon prayed for *wisdom* so he could be a fair and honorable leader, to properly rule Israel.

His kingdom gained world wide renown. When he died, his son Rehoboam was not a wise man which caused his kingdom to split into two governments.

The Ten Tribes (Israel) split from Rehoboam and were ruled by Jeroboam. These remaining two tribes ruled by Rehoboam were called

Judah. The other Ten Tribes were known as Israel.

- 8) First Israel went downhill and into captivity under The Assyrians. Judah held *the sceptre* to God's government. They, too, became corrupt and had to go into Babylon as captives. During this time, every man was ruled under a system of Judges.**
- 9) King Cyrus of Persia released The Jews to restore The Temple of God which had been obliterated. This release started The Time of Jacob's Trouble, but later The Resurrection.**
- 10) During this Time of Jacob's Trouble (Israel) Jesus was born as The Savior, then was crucified. But Judah had sinned and committed adultery with its lovers – The Empire of Rome. Then Titus destroyed Judah and the temple in 70 A.D.**
- 11) Jesus, as The Messiah, will return to restore God's Kingdom and restore God's *rest* in The Holy Land.**

TEN SYSTEMS OF TEACHING

God tried ten ways to teach His *people* to have faith and *trust* in Him. He wanted to teach them to know *good* from *evil*. Every time God blessed them with their needs by doing *the work*, they again disobeyed Him. God had to punish them again and then had to

once more become *their teacher*. In *the millennium*, God will alter His *method of approach* according to their hearts. God knew by the honesty of their *hearts*, His altered *methodology* would begin to *Save the World*. Now, besides these ten ways of teaching, God works on an individual basis with everyone, constantly altering how He teaches, as it benefits each individual. Individuals gather by choice with those who agree with them. Only when members of a group bury their talents of belief and stop growing, do they split into more denominations. Some in the church will continue to grow, while others stop growing or leave. Paul calls this type of church *carnal* – “*beast like*.” No single doctrine saves, but as long as you keep Christ as your foundation, you are all on the right path (I Corinthians 13:11). You must keep seeking God’s *righteousness in faith*.

CHAPTER 11

STEP 1

FREE CHOICE

God's main purpose was to make man in His *image*. Why did God not do so in the beginning? God made man a little lower than the angels by creating man with a "*Spirit – In Him*" and being flesh could die. Angels are spirit and cannot die.

WHY GOD GAVE FREE CHOICE

In Greek "*man*" is called an "*anthropoid*," meaning man stands upright, like an ape, but is still an animal. The Neanderthal and Cro-Magnon men were *Homo erectus*. They could walk upright and had human DNA, but were not *Homo sapiens* who could have their DNA mutated with the ability to understand. The Spirit was in man and they had understanding. Adam and Eve were the first *Homo sapiens* with understanding.

Adam and Eve did not know anything, when they were babies and needed to be taught. They did not know they were naked. To teach them sex was a huge mistake. Why? Because only God knows how to explain everything, perfectly. Only God understands mankind and is aware that the best way to teach them is to have *spiritual* wisdom. The real aim is God wants you

to be taught properly. You need to understand your decision to make the right "*free choice*" is the best way to become perfect.

FAITH AND FREE CHOICE

Every Christian and religious Jew knows it is by *faith* that you are saved. "*Faith*" means "*to implicitly trust someone.*" How can you be sure? *Faith* is not blind, but founded upon reality. If what you learn turns out to be *true*, your *hope* and *faith* increases. It is a simple matter why *free choice* must be given for you, to grow in *faith*, *physically* and *spiritually*. Without *free choice*, you cannot determine *right* from *wrong* since you were not born with that ability. By being *free to choose*, you have the opportunity to find out who really knows *the truth*. Learning that fact will increase your hope and trust in God, causing you to learn God is the only Path to Life that works. It is that simple! God made you that way from the beginning, so you can grow in hope and trust in God, "*For the creature* [man as an animal] *was made subject to vanity* [no profit], *not willingly, but by reason of him* [God] *who has subjected the same* [animals] *in hope*" (Romans 8:20). You were meant not to understand the difference for a specific reason. When you are thrown *to and fro* from life's experiences, you learn the truth of reality. This human learning experience teaches you *right* and *wrong* so you must have *faith to learn the difference*. Then, by having *faith* in every *Word* of God, you come to *trust Him*, and become like Him. God is completely free to do what He chooses and to be in His Image you need to have the same choice as well and to choose wisely.

Adam and Eve came from the animal kingdom, on The Sixth Day, along with the rest of the animals. They walked upright like an ape, but were given humanoid DNA which, when *mutated properly*, could have intellectual logic to think with “*The Spirit – In Man*” (anthropoid). From the beginning, they could ultimately be in God’s *image* if taught properly. God should be your only master teacher, “*Because the creature [man] itself also shall be delivered from the bondage [slavery] of corruption [sinning] into the glorious liberty [free choice] of the children of God*” (Romans 8:21).

This information is quite plain! God intentionally made man to be slaves, because not knowing better they *sin* and do *harm* like any animal.

GOD’S KINGDOM REST

The following outlines God’s total system of training mankind to be in His *image*, “*Now I say, That the heir [inheritance], as long as he is a child, differs nothing from a servant [slave], though he be LORD of all [Christ]; But is under tutors [angels – prophets] and governors [human government] until the time appointed of the Father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage [slavery and corruption] under the elements of the world: But when the fullness [completion] of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law [human nature], To redeem [buy back] them that were under The Law [curses] that we might receive the adoption of sons [God’s Image]*” (Galatians 4:1-5). Christ redeemed you by giving His life, so the world could be saved.

Once “*The Holy Spirit*” is “*In You*” as “*Christ – In You*,” then you become Sons of God on *the path* to be in God’s very *image*, “*Because the creature* [animal nature] *itself also shall be delivered from the bondage* [slavery] *of corruption* [sinning] *into the glorious* [God’s goodness] *liberty* [total freedom] *of the children of God*” (Romans 8:21). God uses *this way* to teach you to be in His *image*. “*Liberty*” in Greek is “*eluetheria*” defined as “*completely free to do whatever you want.*” As you live forever, in God’s *rest*, you will grow in Godly *faith*. *In this way*, you will always look to God and never think of sinning. You will not need any *Law* to tell you, because God *magnified The Law* to be in your very nature and heart. You must have complete *faith* in your Father and always trust Him, first and foremost.

You as God’s Sons and heirs, will continually inherit everything God created by His work. God will always know you will love Him and His creation and will never harm His Creation. There will come a time, you will be motivated by the same love God has. Paradise will always be available to Christians who do *good works*.

STEP NUMBER 1

Choosing God, will allow you to be delivered from *slavery*. Christ gives you that opportunity with His sacrifice. Christ came to save (restore) what was lost (Matthew 18:11). What did Christ *restore*?

CHAPTER 12

STEP 2

WHAT WAS LOST?

Adam and Eve were exiled from The Garden of Eden, but got what they wanted, a chance to do what they wanted at any given time. God had to change His *method of teaching*. They wanted to earn their Bachelors Degree by themselves. They freely chose to learn from experiencing the good from the bad, but those choices differ with humans.

They were still on God's developed property in *the pleasant land*, but had to survive on their own. When they lost The Tree of Life, they could not obtain Eternal Life, but had to survive doing all the work themselves. God had been willing to do the work for them. When Eve experienced pain in child birth and Adam had to struggle to survive, God stopped doing *the work*.

THE PROMISED SEED

Satan was their adversary (Genesis 3:15), he continued to deceive them, until The Promised Seed came bringing all *The truth*. Satan would keep those who

followed their Messiah trying to confuse them by nipping them at the heel. This continued until Christ came and destroyed Satan's *poisonous head*.

God allowed Adam and Eve and their children to do *everything* on their own, but they had a Deceiver, constantly, ready to indict them. Job is an excellent example of Satan being The District Attorney attempting to falsely convict him in front of God. He was innocent, but certainly learned a good lesson, even though, he was not guilty. God completely changed His *doctrinal methodology of teaching*. Adam and Eve choose to seek *the truth* by themselves.

God was still present as *a Tutor*, so they would not destroy themselves or their family. This was God's second step which altered His *way of teaching* to make man in His *image*. To develop *the trust* and *faith* in God, mankind had to learn the hard way when they sinned. To earn Eternal Life, they would suffer vexation, (stress) pain and suffering. Actually, it was the best way for them to learn. Life experiences teach many lessons.

CAIN AND ABEL

The lessons taught by God through Cain and Abel introduced two paths of learning for the world. One group through Abel learned The Path to *Faith*. Cain, on the other hand, refused to be taught by God, wanting to do things his way. God was ready to introduce another system for mankind. Abel was a shepherd and wanted to thank God for blessing his work. Cain,

a farmer, was also pleased with his work and offered God some of his first fruits. Why was God more pleased with Abel's sacrifice than Cain's? This was the genesis of The Order of The Melchizedek Priesthood. What was the deciding factor that caused God to chose Abel's sacrifice over Cain's offerings (Hebrews 5)? Both sacrifices were acceptable according to *The Law of Moses and were proper sacrifices*. Why did God choose Abel, when Cain was *the firstborn*? "*By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying [witnessing] of his gift: and by it he being dead yet speaks*" (Hebrews 11:4). *The lamb typified the right animal as humble and faithful, but Abel had a right heart, while Cain, being selfish and jealous, did not.*

The difference was a matter of having *faith* and *trust* in God. Abel knew, he was to be like a lamb, so he could be teachable. Abel's sacrifice revealed his heart to God. Abel had faith and humbled himself willing to be taught – to the death.

God gave Cain a warning. Cain became angry at God because He did not accept his sacrifice, "*And the LORD said to Cain, Why are you wroth [angry]? And why is your countenance fallen? If you do well, shall you not be accepted? And if you do not well, sin [missing the mark of life] lies at the door. And to you shall be his desire and you shall rule over him*" (Genesis 4:6-7).

Cain lacked *faith* in trusting God. He became angry and committed the cardinal sin of murder. Satan

urged him on, as well (Matthew 8). Abel's offering became "*the system*" of sacrifice after The Order of Mechizedek when asking for *forgiveness*. This new Priesthood became a method for them to forgive sin which was not based upon genealogy like The Levitical Priesthood (Hebrews 7:17-22). Eve said, when Seth was born, God appointed another seed to replace Abel (Genesis 4:25). Seth was assigned to The New Order of The Melchizedek Priesthood to forgive *sin* and give God's blessings. Seth, according to *The Anchor Bible Dictionary*, lived twenty-five years longer than Abraham. This is the same claim Jewish Rabbis make. God had altered His system of teaching. That is why Cain's relative, Lamech, after he killed two people, declared he should be forgiven 70 X 7. Lamech was familiar with The Melchizedek Priesthood.

A MATTER OF HEART

What is in your heart? Your heart pumps blood throughout your entire body and gives *life* to every cell. Your heart makes you function as human beings. Without your heart being in good health you would die. God observes the value of your human experience. You may be positive, (or not), in your life about living. It depends on how you make your various choices to be in this life. You either choose *faith in God* or *yourself*.

What makes your human existence worthwhile? What drives each and everyone of you? Your *desire* determines what you want to do (Proverbs 18:1-4). Since humans do not know *good* and *evil*, you make life choices

that can be good, or harmful for you. When the choice causes harm, it can be defined as *evil*. But like Adam and Eve you have free choice. (Read all of Proverbs 18 which offers an opportunity to fully understand the details of free choice). You will learn about wisdom, but you must read about it in a thoughtful and realistic way, with honesty in your heart. Solomon clearly reveals, *your innermost desires can* confuse your ability to attain wisdom. If there is any hidden, deep-seated emotion, or passion, keeping you from logically using your intelligence, you lose the ability to know wisdom. You hinder your common sense to logically use your intellect in a proper manner. Confusion, or Babylon, is the outcome. Refusing to learn, you want only to run from the truth. You can accept, or fight, when you are suffering from the penalties of sin which must be paid. The choice is yours.

The lack of wisdom is like a person in *deep, deep waters*, where you no longer can see anything. Life has no purpose, causing you to become depressed. Your wrong desires can cause you to worship your false god instead of The One True God. Only JHVH, “The I AM” can give you wisdom to think straight and logically. When Jesus came two thousand years ago, He, through The Holy Spirit, will grant you wisdom to reveal The One True God.

The Wisdom of God is depicted as a clear-running spring of water, where you can see all the way to the bottom. As the healing water runs over the rocks, you are growing wiser and wiser to understand logically what human life is all about. You become a positive

and optimistic human. Life suddenly has true purpose and significance. You no longer are facing human death which for Christians, is only a sleep until resurrected to an Eternal Life in Paradise.

CHAPTER 13

STEP 3

SONS OF GOD

AND DAUGHTERS OF MEN

The Apostle Paul warned, God's wrath comes upon all those "*who hold the truth in unrighteousness*" (Romans 1:18). The whole world, in the beginning, knew The One True God. However, they did not *glorify* Him as God and were unthankful.

TRUTH AND ERROR

How did they pervert God and His plan by using *the truth* in an unrighteous way? "*And changed the glory [goodness] of the incorruptible [Ever living One] God into an image [idol] made like to corruptible [dying] man [humans] and to birds and fourfooted beasts and creeping things*" (Romans 1:23). Humans were divided into two groups, both knowing the truth of The Priesthood after The Order of Melchizedek. Then, Seth replaced Abel after he was killed. A selfish Cain, however, believed, he as the firstborn, should be *the priest* to offer sacrifice for sins. The world was split into two directions. God accepted Abel as The Priesthood of God. Seth continued The Priesthood after Abel was killed. The children of Cain followed their forefather who was

exiled from The Land of Eden and settled in The Land of Shinar. They foolishly accepted Cain as *a god* and *high priest*. The human priesthood was of Cain and Seth was from God. Seth was The True High Priest after The Order of Melchizedek. God's Sons were of the genealogy of their High Priest (Seth), as listed in Genesis 5. Enoch was The Seventh Prophet of God who preached the account of The Messiah and His return with 10,000 angels to judge the world (Jude 14-15). Over time, The Sons of God started to marry the daughters from The Land of Shinar. As time elapsed, they became one people with one language. Fewer and fewer followed The One True God and Father of all. In time, only Noah, with his family, was left who called on the name of God. In world history, those in Shinar were known as Sumarians. Human nature being what it is, always knowing what is right, they began to quarrel and debate with each other.

Only Noah and his family lived peaceably. Noah was the only Preacher of Righteousness. War, violence and wickedness spread until every thought of humanity was only evil. (Genesis 6 tells of the evilness of humanity and makes for a clear explanation). God once again had to alter His method of teaching. He decided to start over again by baptising the world, and the people would one day be resurrected. God flooded the world leaving Noah and his household to start over again.

TOWER OF BABEL

After the flood, the ark landed on Mount Ararat,

which is in present-day Turkey. In their wanderings, they settled back in The Land of Shinar, not too far from The Garden of Eden. Only Noah and his son, Shem, continued to follow God. Ham and Japheth viewed those from The Land of Eden like little gods. They worshipped: 1) The first world trinity with Adam, as The Christ, 2) Eve, The Queen of Heaven as the mother of all and 3) Satan. The Tree of Life was worshipped, as a Christmas Tree, because they felt with its lights, the tree could make you live forever. Everyone searched for this tree and the healing rivers of water flowing from the garden. Many have since been trying to locate this Fountain of Youth. This tree was known to give *heavenly gifts* and was worshipped. Noah taught his sons Ham and Japheth about The Garden, although their wives had differing ideas. Ham and Japheth's families grew up thinking their "man-made gods" in Eden were continually fighting each other. The account of Cain and Abel testifies to this realization.

Ham had a son, Cush, who had a son, named Nimrod, who was *a mighty hunter*. Nimrod, by his hunting skills, was regarded as a provider of food to save those in his kingdom (Genesis 10). Because he was such a good hunter, they also regarded him as a mini-god. The Sumerians knew from Shinar a seed of Adam would become The Messiah. Nimrod became The First Emperor of The Land of Shinar and was thought to be The Savior, who was promised to Adam and Eve in The Garden. The One Great God who created everything, was the word "*Anu*," known as The Skygod. They assumed The Skygod had left mankind on their

own and went to dwell in the heavens. Nimrod knew about the violence in the world from his father and grandfather. He convinced the people they needed to be combined as one nation, one people, with one language. The only way to remain, as one people under Nimrod, was to build a Religious Tower towards the Heavens. This tower, known as The Tower of Babel, was to be a place of worship. Religion would keep them united. This Tower was called a Ziggurat in The Land of Shinar. The Tower was called Babel as their religious symbol to Heaven and The Skygod, "*Anu*," who builds all things. This Tower represented the way to where God's temple was located, and was to reach Anu in the heavens. This Skygod was to bring heaven on earth, and at the top where the gods lived in Paradise. The Tower of Babel was considered a very Holy structure. To ascend this tower, one had to know the "*mystery system of worship*" which was only understood by The Priesthood.

"Babel" in Hebrew means "*Gateway to The House of God.*" In Sumeria "*Babil*" carries the same definition. This place was Babylon. God realized, once again human nature, left to itself, would be as it was in pre-flood days. They turned to the old Babylonian ideas. If left to themselves, "*nothing would be restrained from them which they imagined to do*" (Genesis 11:6). God needed to employ a new method to teaching mankind.

CHAPTER 14

STEP 4

PELEG'S DIVISION

God was ready to act teaching mankind to use their human imaginations against each other. The results were the same as at the time of the flood. He confused their languages, and those individuals grouped with others that they could understand, causing a change of the classroom size. Instead of having everyone differ from each other, they had various ideas of *good* and *evil*, the children of Shem, Ham and Japheth were divided. God had no desire to repeat the violence and evil which had happened at the time of the flood. With God's way, they could join those who could understand the same language. God took one more step to prevent them from engaging in useless debates, arguments and war. He separated them by continents (geography). Shem's lineage produced Eber, who were called The Hebrews after *their father Heber*. Heber had two sons, and one was named "*Peleg*" which meant "*to divide*." During those days, the lands were divided (Genesis 10:25). The opportunity to choose *good* and *evil* by following The

Word of God vastly increased. Of all the people on earth, only the children of Seth sought God, while the rest worshipped their many man-made gods.

The Song of Moses prophesied the above results (Deuteronomy 32:1-10). Abraham was The High Priest, after The Order of Melchizedek, who blessed him. He always obeyed The Word of God. Abraham bore Isaac who was offered to be God's sacrifice, like Christ who passed on God's *promise*. Jacob was born to Isaac because he prevailed with God, and his name was changed to Israel. Israel had twelve children who became The Nation of Israel. This account can be read in Deuteronomy 32. The Children of Israel were now God's *chosen people*. From the entire world, God chose Abraham's genealogy, because of Abraham's *faith* in always doing whatever God told him to do. God would teach the world through Abraham's progeny – The Children of Israel.

SLAVERY TO THE WILDERNESS

The Nation of Israel ended up in Egypt, when Jacob moved from The Promised Land because of a famine. When they multiplied, The Pharaoh thought they might overtake The Nation of Egypt. Over four hundred years transpired and they were made slaves. Moses delivered them from slavery in Egypt on their way to The Promised Land. They stopped at Mount Sinai, where God planned to make a *Covenant* with them. This contract with God was different than any former contract made with their forefathers (Deuteronomy

5:3). As God's *chosen people* this agreement was, exclusively, made with them only and did not include any of The Gentiles. The rest of the world consisted of Gentiles, called "*the goy.*" They were still allowed to learn by their human experience, as to what was *good* or *evil*. If someone chose to immigrate to Israel, they had to be circumcised, keeping the laws given them. No illegal immigrants were allowed.

God gave Moses *special demands* for Israel to obey in Canaan. God gathered them at the foot of Mount Sinai and personally, gave them *The Ten Commandments*.

These *Commandments* were much like The Constitution of The United States. They told how God was to be honored, what type of nation they were to become and how to treat everyone. Israel was to be God's *First National Witnesses* to the world. God's purpose was to *Save The World* by observing Israel's example. Moses went up the mountain, where God continued His instructions to him to keep Israel pure. While Moses was on the mountain, The Israelites believed he was gone too long. They decided to behave, as they were taught, when they were slaves in Egypt. They built *and* began to worship *a golden calf*. They broke God's *Commandments* which had just been given to them. Sadly, they were unable to keep their first agreement with God, proving they should not be allowed to be new immigrants in God's land. God decided to have them die and start over with only The Tribe of Levi (Moses genealogy). Moses intervened on Israel's behalf and told God it would give a bad example to The Gentiles around them. God agreed. Israel

only obeyed God out of *fear*. At this point, they were not sure if their Egyptian *gods* were stronger than this new God with the name “*YHWH*.” God would give them another chance to enter His property.

God was testing them to see how much they would honor and trust Him. When Moses finally, went to God, he was given God’s *statutes* and judgments to make sure a penalty would be paid when disobeying His *Covenant*.

Aaron was appointed High Priest, so if they disobeyed minor infractions, they could make sacrifices as a reminder of their sins. But when capital crimes were committed, such as “*murder*,” it demanded the guilty be put to death. This contract, as Israel’s Constitution, was to keep them a Holy Nation. The Levites under Aaron were to perform the duties in The Tabernacle. God was to initiate this new way of teaching Israel and explaining to the world. Israel was first to be taught by God. Then, Israel as God’s *witnesses* would teach The Way of God to the world. God did not want to lose anyone, so teaching each Disciple was imperative. This way, God made everyone in His *image* according to the specific needs of each student. God allows every person in the world to have *free choice* in deciding for themselves whether to follow or not to follow God.

CHAPTER 15

STEP 5

THE WILDERNESS

God knew The Israelites were not ready to be taught. They did not seem eager to be Disciples of His. Israel, because of a wrong heart (by not knowing of The True God did try to obey Him). It was more out of fear than love for Him. *The Old Covenant* was so harsh and they were *carnal*, like any beast trying to survive. God had to treat them like any beast who struggles for life in the wilderness. This was God's new way of teaching those who did not understand. *The wilderness* with its extremely harsh environment was not under God's protection. They were left on their own, but God promised to keep them as His people. God knew life in *the wilderness* made their existence very *harsh*. He intervened, when Moses asked Him for help. This is God's method of teaching when He is not honored (only feared). Israel would not *trust* their Father. God wanted Israel to learn by *faith*, when they needed help, God was there for them.

“*Honor*” in Hebrew and Greek merely means “*intense*”

respect.” When a person is *highly respected*, they are *trusted*. When you trust someone, you accept that person *faithfully*. To have “*faith*” means you are always safe and can rely on The Word of God. Israel lacked that *faith* by dishonoring God, who knew Israel had to come to reality on their own before they would *trust* Him. Without *faith* in God, they would always have doubt, if He was right or wrong. They did not love God, as *The Great Commandment* demanded. God, with His *great love* for them, had to allow them to endure the pain and suffering on their own before they would really trust God. God allowed them to suffer for their good, but was always there when help became necessary.

God, as any good teacher, changes His *educational methods*, when students do not understand what they are being taught. Each time Israel’s trials overwhelmed them, God intervened and gave them what they desired. God’s goal was for Israel to have implicit *faith*, or *trust* in Him, no matter what the situation. Over and over again, God worked to help them understand what they needed to have *faith* in Him. Moses was always *faithful* to God as their leader (Hebrews 3:2).

GOD’S THREE SCHOOLS

Adam and Eve were created and lived in a Royal House. This Paradise was the best anyone could imagine (Genesis 1:31). Adam and Eve were *noble*, but at the same time, innocent children. They were *heirs* of God needing a lot of training and experience

as all children do. Adam and Eve's house was a school with their Father as teacher. Being home-schooled, they understood they would be entrusted and go on to greater educational opportunities. Their only problem was they chose to be released on their own. But being alone was too early for their limited experience, so the results were chaotic. Their children caused more havoc in too many cases. Only a remnant of Israel learned their lessons to have *faith* and *trust* in God. Adam and Eve were like teenagers, wanting to do it themselves, but Israel was actually rebellious and inexperienced.

Adam and Eve were allowed to live on God's cultivated property in Eden, but had to survive according to their own choice of work. God was still present to oversee their safety and gave them advice when they sought it. Over time and gaining experience, they came to learn their Father wanted only the best for them. This was God's Second School House. But the Israelites could not be entrusted with Eternal Life, because they were not mature enough, or did not have real *faith* to *trust* their God. God was truly *the elder* knowing what was *good* or *evil* for everyone. He was their *father* and *elder*. The Third School House for God was His undeveloped property, *a wilderness* full of many dangers. Life in that House was like being isolated in a dungeon where one is left on their own to produce their own living. This Third School House of God was His final attempt to get His children, Israel, to trust Him in *faith*.

The generation which sinned at Mount Sinai faced

forty years of struggle to survive and finally, had to turn to God when all else failed. In fact, many Israelites actually wanted to go back to Egypt. All their children born in the wilderness were confused, seeing their parent's system did not work. Only Moses, their human leader, seemed to be getting it right by following God's teaching. Very few, like Joshua and Caleb, proved to be *faithful*. Most of the parents did not succeed, and learned none of their lessons. After Mount Sinai, Israel started their journey in *the wilderness*. God gave them every opportunity to have *faith* and *trust* Him. He allowed them to enter The Promised Land of Canaan. They sent ten spies to report what they found in God's land. Giants lived in the land, which frightened them. Joshua and Caleb, both *faithful*, were willing to trust God to deliver them, but the rest of Israel did not. God had no recourse, but to test them. They must continue living on their own in this undeveloped wilderness. *The Commandments* declared that if a generation kept sinning, it would take two, or three generations, *to forget* the ways of their sinful forefathers. Only then could the third generation be willing to do what was right and have *faith* in God. Humans only know what they observe and experience from their past. Humans on their own do not know *good* from *evil*. It takes time to look at life in a new way, but they continued in what they had been taught in the past. Some must "*bottom out*" and go through the worst, like Nebuchadnezzar did for seven years in the wilderness, as a wild animal. Then, and only then, did they see and understand their way of righteousness. He finally said, "*It was enough.*" This state of "*hitting bottom*" can be prophetically called

The Mark of The Beast, the lowest behavior into which humans allow themselves to fall.

CHAPTER 16

STEP 6

JOSHUA AND THE ELDERS

The new generation under Joshua's leadership entered God's chosen land. Israel wanted to leave behind their life in the wilderness. With the miraculous victory at Jericho, Israel's *faith* had grown to the point they wanted to follow God. "The I Am," – YHWH, proved to be with Israel in spite of strong military resistance. This could have been the result, if they trusted God in faith and before they sent out the spies. The miracle at Jericho traveled rapidly throughout The Land of Canaan. The other kingdoms were frightened, especially, hearing how the walls fell at Jericho.

ISRAEL'S MILITARY POWER

With Joshua's leadership, Israel was a confident people with the protection of this Unknown God. They knew how powerful their God was compared to their enemies' "*gods.*" However, their leaders and Elders were still carnal, and Israel was not converted except for a few. They needed to prove their faith to trust this Almighty God.

THE OLD COVENANT

Israel was a nation that God planned to destroy. He wanted “*people*” who feared God and would be willing to follow Joshua, as His choice to lead them. They were still “*babies*” in The Knowledge of God and really were unaware of who God was. Israel saw God as an Almighty power and force, stronger than any other gods of Egypt. God knew their hearts were still carnal. “*Carnal*” in Hebrew merely meant “*they were still like beasts,*” not as lions, bears, or leopards, but more like oxen. An ox is quite calm when fed and left in peace and can even be trained, if not threatened. When Israel transgressed God’s *Law* they had to sacrifice the appropriate animal which depicted their behavior. Paul, The Apostle, instructed Timothy, The Evangelist on the purpose of The Law that was given to Israel by Moses, “*Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly; for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murders of fathers and mothers and for manslayers. This included whoremongers, those who defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine. According to the glorious Gospel of The Blessed God, which was committed to my trust*” (I Timothy 1:9-11). This was *carnality*. God knew Israel’s heart and was always willing to teach them. Miraculously, He knew their minds and could lead them according to their level of understanding.

Step Six, in God’s system of teaching was to deal with them at the level they understood. The Old Covenant

made with Israel was a beginning because of God's promise made with Abraham. Israel knew very little of The Gospel of Peace, or that it was *The New Covenant* through Christ. In fact, the purpose of *The Old Covenant* was just a *schoolmaster* to lead them to Christ. Then, after His resurrection Christ brought *The New Covenant* (Galatians 3:24). Israel still viewed human existence as a struggle between nations. God accepted Israel, as His Disciples, just as they were. Many wondered why God was so harsh with Israel and even went along with war and suffering. Some, erroneously, believe this *Old Covenant* God was cruel and a different God than in *The New Testament*. That motion is ridiculous. "YHWH" is the same God who was The Father of Jesus in *The New Testament*. In any society, there are *good* and *bad* people, *the societies' laws* are made to protect the decent people – that was *The Old Covenant* given to Moses. The Apostle John wrote, *The Law* came by Moses, which was *The Old Covenant*. No longer were the sacrifices necessary, when they sinned under *The New Covenant*. Jesus was *the sacrifice*. Christ came with *grace* and *mercy* (John 1:17). Moses and The Elders had to deal with a very *carnal* people. Israel always needed a harsh *Law* to keep them from harming others or themselves. To make certain no murderer was left alive to commit murder and desecrate God's chosen students, they were put to death. It was not a matter of controlling the murder rate, like nations today, but actually eradicating any murderer who came along. God's *Law* functioned like Hammurabi's Law – "*an eye for eye*" which was copied from God. As King of Assyria, Hammurabi was known as a "*just*" King in spite of his

harsh rules. Step Six is God's way of teaching people who are carnal with a wrong *heart*. *The Law of Moses is for criminals*. Paul wrote about Israel, "*Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, they do always err in their heart; and they have not known my ways*" (Hebrews 3:10). Even though God was stressed and in pain for His people, the only way He could help them was with a strict *Law*, so they could be God's witness to the world. In this way, God could continue giving them the promises He gave Abraham. (All of Deuteronomy 28 specifies the blessings God would give Israel if they walked in God's just Laws). A suitable *an-nolgy* here would be – when children are unteachable, they must pay the consequences of their acts.

FROM JOSHUA TO THE ELDERS

It is suggested the reader make the effort and take the time to study, *The Book of Joshua* in depth, word-for-word. Israel had their blessings and curses as Moses told them in Deuteronomy 27 and 28. At the end, after Joshua and The Elders died – Israel degenerated. Every man did what was right in their own eyes. Israel was so corrupt that saviors and judges would arise from time to time to intervene on Israel's behalf, even when they did not deserve the help. God, as a loving Father, was teaching His children that in life they had to live through grievous suffering. God as a loving Father knows best (Judges 21:25).

CHAPTER 17

STEP 7

SAMUEL IS BORN

After Israel's behavior, God knew each person chose *right* from *wrong* according to their own desires. So a change would soon be made. A woman named Hannah was married to Elkkanah, an Ephramite. Without a child for a long time, she prayed God would give her a child and she would give the child to God. Samuel was born and became God's Prophet and His last Judge.

SAMUEL'S RULE

Samuel, continually, tried to get Israel to follow God, but they kept going their own personal way. Israel came to the place they thought was the way to peace, to be like the nations around them. This was a momentous decision to ignore God and depend upon other nations. Samuel was irate! He felt rejected after all his efforts. This decision occurred when Samuel was old and his own children did not follow God's way. When Eli, a good priest, died, Israel believed their only choice for peace was to have a King to protect them (I Samuel Chapters 1-8). They refused to listen to Samuel's pleas, so he was told, "*And the LORD said unto Samuel, Harken to the voice of the people in*

all that they say to you: for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them” (1 Samuel 8:7). God was their *loving King* serving His people, but they wanted *a human king*.

God was their King and Father, yet they felt this was not good enough. They wanted *a man to rule* them, as the other nations at The Tower of Babel with Nimrod. Israel thought they could still have God, as Samuel directed, but now could depend on a king for protection. So, God allowed His children to have their personal *free choice*.

The basis for Salvation depended upon their *faith*. Step 7 was significant in that God was allowing Israel to separate their religion from their education. This was a New Philosophy of teaching, like Adam and Eve, except for one point. Adam and Eve wanted to depend upon their own works. However, Israel wanted to follow another man for their security and protection. They forgot what their forefathers learned at Jericho. If they had the *faith*, they should have had, God would have miraculously protected them.

God allowed Israel to pick their own king. They chose Saul, who had his own set of problems. God directed Saul how to behave and protect Israel, but he made the mistake of not following God *faithfully*. God had to reject Saul and replace him. Saul, continually, made excuses and insisted he had no choice, but to disobey God according to his own thinking. God could no longer trust Saul, as he followed his own human ways. King David replaced Saul as Israel's king, but Saul

refused to accept God's choice. When Saul died in battle, David was made King. But God, once again, because of David's behavior, had to change the way he was to rule Israel.

LAWS FOR A KING

David was a dedicated man with strong *faith* in God. But before repenting, he committed two heinous sins. He murdered Bathsheba's husband and committed adultery, with her, before her husband died. There is a great significant difference between King Saul and King David. David had *faith* and "*a right heart*," while Saul lacked *faith*. When David, finally, realized how horribly he had sinned, he repented and immediately turned to God.

What kind of heart did David have that Saul did not? When Nathan, The Prophet, confronted David concerning his two *great sins*, he made no excuses, but immediately repented. This reaction was opposite to Saul's behavior. God understands that everyone *sins*. But sin is not the point. No one should sin, but mankind was born to sin. Everyone needs God's mercy and forgiveness. God told Moses, "*And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim the name of the LORD before you; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy*" (Exodus 23:19).

God decides when a person's heart, or desires, actually want to do everything right. David had a right heart by not making excuses for his sins and was *faith-*

***ful* in always trusting God. That was the awesome difference between Saul and David. (Read I Samuel and II Samuel had a deeper understanding of these two men. Then read Psalm 51). Be in deep thought and prayer and you will be in the act of repentance. David's repentance brought him to be humble. God promised David would always have "a seed" ready to inherit His throne forever. This was God's *Covenant* for the future Messiah. Religion and education separated, and this state of affairs, will continue until God's Kingdom is restored.**

MARY'S LINEAGE

How can Jesus be a Son of King David, when his human parent was Mary? Joseph had to adopt Jesus, as his son, and was not his natural father by birth. How could He be from the genealogy of King David? Many are unaware (because of The Law of Moses) that the lineage of a family was through the genealogy of the mother and not the father.

***The Law of Moses* demands that if a man marries a woman and he dies without a son, his brother can marry his wife. Their first child must be given the name of the former husband, to make sure the family line continues. Since Jesus was not born from Joseph, the family line continued through Mary's genealogy. Joseph's progeny is listed in Matthew 1, making Joseph Christ's father by adoption. Mary, Jesus' real mother, genealogically is given in Luke 3. This family line reaches back to God with Adam, His *physical firstborn*. This lineage has Nathan as part of the fam-**

ily tree (Luke 3:31). King David's genealogy incorporated David as King, including Nathan, a Prophet and Mary's line of The Priesthood.

The birth of John, The Baptist is given in Luke 1. His father was a Priest and his wife, Elizabeth, was of the daughters of Aaron, a Levite. Mary, Jesus' mother, was told by the angel that Elizabeth was her cousin (Luke 1:36), thus making Mary, a Levite. Christ's complete genealogy was from King David, Nathan and The Levitical Priesthood. Jesus goes all the way back to God through Adam. You, the reader, are now ready to unfold this prophecy from King David's time through Solomon.

CHAPTER 18

STEP 8

BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY

During the rule of King David and Solomon they became known world wide. King Solomon was able to complete his father David's dream by building The Temple of God for Israel to worship YHWH, their God in The Temple of God.

After Solomon's death, Rehoboam succeeded to The Throne of David, but The Ten Tribes of Israel refused to be led by him. Only two and a half Tribes accepted Rehoboam, while the remaining Ten Tribes (Israel) accepted Jeroboam, as their king.

Judah's capitol was in Jerusalem with Solomon's Temple. Israel called The City of Samaria theirs. It was prophesied that Judah would keep The Sceptre of Government and the responsibility to teach *The Law until Shiloh* came (Genesis 49). Shiloh was referring to The Coming of The Messiah and true Temple worship (Matthew 3). Israel and, finally Judah went downhill and ended in corruption. First, The Ten Tribes of Israel became corrupt by worshipping false gods as their neighbors did. However, The Ten Tribes were taken captive by Assyria and became The Lost Ten Tribes of Israel. About one hundred thirty years later, Judah

followed Israel (being even more depraved) and went into captivity under control of (neo-new) Babylon ruled by King Nebuchadnezzar. He completely destroyed The Temple of God built by Solomon. God's Temple became corrupt and was used as a business for filthy lucre.

SEVENTY YEARS OF CAPTIVITY

Babylon controlling the known world, was divided into provinces with governors assigned to each section. This division was to maintain The King's laws which were still binding. Future kings could amend the former King's laws, but laws were viewed like The United States Constitution. These held great weight as *The Law of The Land*. Nebuchadnezzar, prophetically, was one of the four-world rulers to exist and was considered The Head of Gold in Daniel 2 and 7. (Read both accounts). God followed *Lamech's* request to forgive 70 X 7. (Daniel 2 and 7 provide details of Nebuchadnezzar's rule).

Prophetically, the meaning of The Days of Babylon were very important (Matthew 1:17). From Abraham to King David were fourteen generations. From King David to Babylon were fourteen generations and, from Babylon to The Messiah were another fourteen generations. Fourteen generations are two sevens which denotes this is of God. It was as Joseph related to Pharaoh in explaining the dream about the coming famine. *The three series of double sevens* constituting fourteen-year generations will pass until The Messiah will come (Matthew 1). This count of years makes

The Babylonian captivity very vital for The Coming of The Christ. Every 2 X 7 years God forgave them. After the passage of three 2 X 7 generations brought The Messiah – Christ (Matthew 1).

The Promised Seed would come to bless the whole world. Next, King David received the prophecy that through his seed The King would come. Third, The Babylonian captivity by Daniel unveiled all of the world’s history from Babylon until The Messiah restores The Kingdom of God. This restoration completed the promise made to Adam and Eve concerning their progeny (Genesis 3:15).

Daniel revealed Nebuchadnezzar’s dream as a Great Image to be worshipped by the world, “*And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms and it shall stand forever*” (Daniel 2:44). Jesus states, “*You shall know them by their fruits*” (Matthew 7:16-18). He tells you a good tree (The Tree of Life) will not and cannot produce bad fruit, neither can an evil tree (The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil) bring forth good fruit. These facts are easy to comprehend.

The Great Tree in Daniel 4 prophesies *world history* for the world to know. Prophecy from The Babylonian Captivity, until God’s Kingdom rules the earth. This tree, *The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil* is of human origin through war. Nebuchadnezzar was the best of *the four world kingdoms* pictured as The Head

of Gold. The other three to follow are made of silver, bronze, iron and, finally, the most inferior, a mixture of iron and clay. (Read Daniel 2 thoroughly). So it will plainly reveal Babylon, or "*human nature.*" Babylon, depicts The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil, which is a mixture. Evilness is why God divided the nations. By intermingling their information, he found that some would overwhelm the weaker ones to keep them from following The One True God. When "*the stronger*" win over "*the weaker,*" it causes harm to the ones who are attempting to repent and follow God.

PETER'S PROPHECY

Peter clearly writes, The Prophets and even the angels were searching to find out when The Messiah would come. The Prophets and the angels wondered who The Messiah would be (I Peter 1:10-12).

Possibly, Satan did not know whether, or not, Jesus was The Messiah. When he confronted Jesus in the wilderness, Satan challenged Him to prove He was The Messiah. He said, "*If you be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread*" (Matthew 4:3). Every time God's truth is presented, which Satan does not disagree, he challenges whether the effort be of God or not.

Babylon is a great world prophetic event (Matthew 1). Daniel was chosen as God's Prophet because of his love and concern for God's people (Daniel 9:8-19). Here is what Gabriel, the Arch Angel, told him because of his prayer, "*And he informed me and talked*

with me and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give you skill and understanding. At the beginning of your supplications the commandment came forth and I am come to show you; for you are greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter and consider the vision [prophecy]” (Daniel 9:22-23).

God once again altered His method of teaching His people to grow in faith and completely trust Him. God would allow His people to learn to trust Him while in captivity.

Nebuchadnezzar was a Polytheist like most world rulers starting with The Tower of Babel. He believed and accepted all the world’s religions and their gods. The only question was which “*god*” was the most powerful. Because of Daniel and his ability to foretell dreams the king accepted Daniel’s One True God as the most *powerful*.

God told Daniel that Judah would remain in captivity for seventy years. The last generation which had to go into captivity had died. A new generation was cleansed while in captivity and would be dedicated to restoring The Temple of God. The next method of teaching God’s way was ready to be initiated by a Savior of God’s people – King Cyrus, The Mede.

A PROPHECY

“The Sceptre [government], shall not depart from Judah, nor a law giver between his feet [Teacher-Rabbi], until Shiloh [Temple] come; and to him shall the gath-

ering of the people be” (Genesis 49:10). Shiloh was where *The Ark of The Covenant* rested and God was there. Even though Israel and Judah were in captivity, Jacob’s prophecy proclaims the government of King David shall continue to exist. They will be responsible for teaching God’s *Law*, now being taught through Christ.

Even though The Jews were under Babylonian rule, as captives, they will be responsible for King David’s throne and the teachings of *The Law of Moses*. This teaching continues until The Messiah comes to build The Temple of God. It was decreed to be built when Cyrus, The Mede, conquered and controlled the former Empire of Babylon. Is this known as The Time of Jacob’s Trouble? Why is this?

THE TEMPLE TO KING HEROD

In these *troublesome times*, some of The Jews returned to Jerusalem to rebuild *the foundation* of The Temple. However, they experienced nothing but trouble. Nebuchadnezzar replaced The Jews in Israel with The Babylonians and The Edomites, who have continued to cause trouble for The Jews to this day. Herod, an Edomite, completed The Temple in forty years. Although still captives, The Jews were allowed to worship their God in The Temple. By the time Rome controlled the world, The Jews were still captives. They had no control over their land, but were allowed to teach *The Law* and wait for their Messiah – as predicted (Genesis 49). The Time of Jacob’s Trouble continued. Ruled by The Gentiles, their Priesthood was appointed by

Rome and changed, as often as necessary, for the good of Rome. They were allowed to follow their laws as taught by The Rabbis. This following was to prevail until Christ would return, as prophesied in Malachi.

MALACHI 3:1

“Behold, I will send my messenger [John The Baptist] and he shall prepare the way before me: and the LORD, whom you seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger [Christ] of the covenant [Abraham’s Covenant], whom you delight [waiting for] in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts”(Malachi 3:1). This is the fulfillment of Jacob’s prophecy as described in (Genesis 49). From King David’s seed Jacob’s Sceptre prepared the way. The Time of Jacob’s *“trouble in captivity”* was at hand. Jesus came as King of Kings to *restore world rule* to God. Israel and Judah were to be returned to their former position of being, God’s people.

The Gentiles, who were *last* to enter The Kingdom of God, became *the first*. Israel was originally chosen to be *the first* and then became *the last*. When The Time of Israel’s Trouble of Tribulation ended, Christ came to comfort *The People of God* (Isaiah 40:1-3).

THE BRIDE’S REJECTION

Besides being the time of Israel’s freedom from trouble and captivity, it was also a time of announcing The Coming of The Wedding Feast. Christ was to be The Groom of The Bride (John 3:29). Christ was to marry

Israel (as The Bride of Christ). The question should be, “*when will Israel be ready to accept Jesus?*” Since Jesus was “*God’s Word,*” who made everything, He could be and should be *The Groom*. Jesus declared, there were three times God invited everyone to His Wedding Feast, but in the end only “*the few*” accepted Him and were chosen to be The Bride of Christ (Matthew 22:2-14). The Jews, as The Bride, rejected their Groom. Only a few believed Jesus was The Messiah. Here is His declaration, “*Therefore say I to you, The Kingdom of God shall be taken from you [Judah] and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof*” (Matthew 21-22). What fruits? The fruits of The Tree of Life, God’s Holy Spirit teaches you. The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil is not capable of teaching you to do “*good*” – that is producing good fruit. As Jesus said, “*You shall know them by their fruit*” (Matthew 7:20). A good tree only produces good fruit and an evil tree produces evil or harmful fruit. A change of teaching, once again, is about to happen by God through His Holy Spirit. Genesis 49 and its prophecy is completed, but only to extend God’s search for people who would repent and follow Him in faith. There are times He changes His methodology of teaching from *The Letter of The Law* to *The Spirit of The Law*.

CHAPTER 19

STEP 9

ISRAEL'S TIME OF TROUBLE

Judah was in captivity as slaves, to be used whatever way the King felt would benefit his *kingdom*. Following Nebuchadnezzar's dynasty, a leader named Cyrus, The Mede, conquered Babylon. God prophesied, he would be a Savior for Judah, as Daniel predicted. The Jews were slaves for seventy years, but were allowed to rebuild their Temple in Jerusalem to their God, YHWH. They would remain as captives under the control of The Medes. About 23,000, were allowed to return to Jerusalem to rebuild the foundation of The Temple. Most Jews were left in Babylon to live out their lives and at the end, they numbered 43,000.

THE TEMPLE REBUILT

During this time, they created their Hebrew alphabet, which is used to this day. Zerubbabel was the governor for The Medes and was in charge of rebuilding The Temple of God, with the approval of The Medes. In Palestine, there were living many individuals from different nations, who were transferred from their native lands by Nebuchadnezzar. The Babylonians were

brought to settle in Samaria. In Christ's time, they thought they were from The Children of Jacob. He permitted Judah to return to restore their temple.

These were not easy times for The Jews and were "*troublesome times*" for Jacob. The Samaritans resented The Jews being in Jerusalem and having permission to rebuild God's temple. They had enough "*man-made gods*" to contend with and enough competition existed between "*the gods*" to see which was the strongest and mightiest.

THE GREAT TRIBULATION

What is The Great Tribulation? Many believe The Great Tribulation is the one which occurred in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. Others believe in a second tribulation which will be in the future. Who is right? Both – but there is much more to this matter.

"The Book of Isaiah" means "God saves." Isaiah prophesied, how God finally Saves The World because Christ came to Save The World (I John 43:14). Isaiah 66 defines what a tribulation is in God's eyes. A voice cries out to Jerusalem from the temple, "Before she travailed [Jerusalem-temple], she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child [Christ]. 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 [Israel] be born at once? For as soon as Zion travailed [labored], 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 [not come to pass]? Said your God. Rejoice you with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all you that love her: rejoice for joy with her, all you that mourn for her: That you may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolation [birth healing]; that you may milk out, and be delighted with the abundance of her glory” (Isaiah 66:7-11).

Isaiah tells that any birth, whether that of a human, animal, insects, or plants, all have a limited time-span. Humans take nine months of gestation before a birth occurs. God waited for the right time for The Messiah to come. The Restoration of The Temple was scheduled to be built exactly three days after Christ died. He was *The Spiritual Temple*. In between were many *false labor pains* along the way to *the actual birth*. Prophetically, an entire period of history unfolds before The Messiah can take The Kingdom of God and restore God’s temple. With false labor pains, a birth can come and go, but the real birth of the child cannot take place until it is mature to bring forth the man-child (Christ). The maturity of the man-child will not happen until all conditions have been fulfilled.

Cyrus, King of The Medo-Persian Empire, began The Decree to restore God’s *temple*. However, this *temple* does not come to perfect completion until The Return of Christ. This entire *time-period* is called “*Jacob’s Trouble*.”

CHRIST – IN YOU

The Apostle Paul said, “*Let no man therefore judge*

you in meat or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon or of the sabbath days" (Colossians 2:16). The word for "judge," in Greek, in this case is "krina." "Krina" simply means "do not argue about doctrine." Doctrines include how a person keeps "days and works." Surprisingly most Christians learn these are only *shadows*, or *prophecies* of things to come. These "days" or "works" do not change anyone, but merely describe what God will do in the future allowing you to be part of His plan, if you repent and seek Him.

The Greek word for "judgment" appears in *The New Testament* as "krimo" meaning "to indict" or "accuse" someone of a crime. *Krina* connotes a trial in a court to see who is right. "Crisis" is "a time in court where a judgment for punishment is to be made if guilty or not." The English word "crisis" is "a critical judgment period for punishment of the guilty." In Colossians, the word "krina" refers "to presenting an argument for one's judgment or belief." Paul said, Christians should not argue about *prophecy*. Paul concludes with an amazing announcement, "*Which are a shadow [type] of things to come; but the body is of Christ*" (Colossians 2:17).

Holy Days, New Moons and Sabbaths, all refer to future events. What is really important to a Christian is *spiritual growth*. Jesus tells a parable about *the ten virgins* (Matthew 25). All ten are virgins – not sinners. What is the difference? Half are wise and the other half are not wise. What makes them different? *The wise virgins* have sufficient oil of God's Holy Spirit in

them to give “*light*” to the world. They are waiting for The Messiah (their Groom). That is why Paul said, not to debate *prophecy*, or *have arguments*. It is useless to debate because The Body (The Church of God) is of Christ.

The Mystery of God is “*Christ — In You*” which is The Hope of Glory (Colossians 1:27). *The wise virgins* of Matthew 25 are defined as, “*In whom, are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge*” (Colossians 2:3). It is not “*prophecy*,” such as The Sabbath, Holy Days, or New Moons which makes you The Wise Virgins but is “*Christ — In You*” which gives you wisdom and knowledge. The Works of *The Law*, or all the prophecies in the world cannot do what Christ can do for you.

A Great (hidden) Mystery concerning Christ and The Church (Ephesians 5:32) is, “*Christ — In You.*” It is the vital clue, so you can be married to Him in the future. This prophecy is really important, but not to argue about The Works of *The Law*. Mind you, they are prophetic, but that does not give you leeway to have an excuse to debate and show all signs of dissension. The context in Colossians is not whether one has to keep the Sabbath or Holy Days, but becoming *wise virgins* as Christ’s Bride, who has made herself ready to become His Wife (Revelation 19:7-8).

There is no reason to argue, or debate *prophecy*, which will come to pass. Keeping those days are fine and there is no need to be judged whether, or not they should be kept. What is important to a Christian (as

Christ's Bride) – you are to be growing in *Spiritual wisdom*. Are you preparing to be ready and/or worthy to be The Wife of Christ?

WORSHIP GOD SPIRITUALLY

Christ spoke to the woman from Samaria in describing three ways individuals worship God, “*Jesus said to her, Woman, believe me, the hour [time] comes, when you shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship you know not what, we [Jews] know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour [time] 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. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth*” (John 4:21-24).

This is a complete “*change of teaching*” made available to *the whole world*. God uses three methods, or steps to teach everyone. *The first step* was in Jerusalem (at the temple). *The second step* was to teach The Gentile Samaritans in the outlying areas (the mountains). *The third step* is to teach the whole world with His Holy Spirit and with Truth. God said, it was time to worship Him *spiritually* (in truth). Jesus foretold The Worship of God would cease in Jerusalem and Samaria. They are now to worship The Father in “*spirit*” and “*truth.*” The Jews knew The Only One True Father (Hebrews 3:4). The Samaritans did not know The True Father, so did not know who they were worshipping. That is why Salvation, is of The Jews, who knew The One True God which they worshipped.

God was ready for yet another step.

GOD’S TWO PILLARS

When The Apostle Paul was chosen by Christ to go to The Gentiles, he gave the history of his beginning before going, fourteen years later, to Jerusalem (2 X 7). He said, “*And I went up by revelation, and communicated to them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain*” (Galatians 2:2).

Paul acknowledged the need to be united and there are *leaders, or pillars*, who personally knew Jesus as The Son of God, “*And when James, Cephas [Peter] and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace [gift] that was given to me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship; that we should go to the heathen, and they to the circumcision*” (Galatians 2:9). James, Peter and John were *pillars* or *main supports* to *The Spiritual Temple* Christ was building.

A “*pillar*” is “*a support to a building.*” All The Apostles are a foundational rock or represent the stones for The House of God (Ephesians 2:20). *The first cornerstone* laid is Jesus, The Christ. Christians and Messianic Jews are also stones to the building of The Temple of God, “*You also, as lively stones [eternal], are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect [chosen] precious: and*

he that believes on him shall not be confounded. To you therefore which believe he is precious: but to them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, And a stone of stumbling and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the work, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed” (I Peter 2:5-8).

God was once again, changing His system of teaching, from *The Letter of The Law* to *The Spirit of The Law*. The Spirit of The Law is The Magnified Law (Isaiah 42:2). This enlargement of God's Law makes you have God's righteousness. God's righteousness has greater honor, or respect, than The Law of Moses which was only a shadow, or a prophecy of better things to come (Hebrews 10).

The Law of Moses describes sin. On the other hand, Christ brought grace, mercy and the truth. God was teaching through His Son, so you can become Holy and perfect in God's image. Jesus, as The Firstborn, is your Master and only Rabbi.

Jesus is The Author of *Every Word of God*, since He is The Word of God. Since God is a Spirit, you should worship “Him – In Spirit” and not in *The Letter* with *The Old Testament's* physical works.

PILLARS ARE NOT RULERS

A pillar is only a support of a building. Pillars help to hold up a building, but are not the building itself. God and Christ are The Temple, “*And I saw no tem-*

ple there in: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it” (Revelation 21:22). This is The Temple in The Kingdom of God in New Jerusalem. The Temple is *spiritual* and not a physical temple like those on earth. You must become *spiritual*, like God and Christ. This was the beginning of God’s next step in teaching humanity to be in God’s *image*.

FROM THE LETTER TO SPIRIT

When Jesus told *the woman* from Samaria that in the future they would worship God “*in spirit*” because “*God*” is a “*Spirit*,” and this new worship marked a “*change in teaching*.”

At that time, Jesus would begin to make a change in *The Law*. At His coming, He magnified *The Law* by making it more honorable. How? *The Law* became more internal – “*an intellectual reality*,” no longer based on The Old Testament doing human works. Keeping *The Law* by human effort and deeds ended. God was to enter “*your very being*” through His Holy Spirit – The “*Holy Spirit*” that is “*Christ – In You*,” which is God, The Father in *everyone* (I Corinthians 15:28). To be able to worship God *spiritually*, you must have God’s Holy Spirit teaching and leading you.

God was going to actually do *the work* within each human. He will increase your understanding and change your very conscience. You would no longer be as the unclean animals. Instead, God has cleansed you inside-out. No longer are any Christians “*common*” or “*unclean*” (Acts 10:15). “*Christ – In You*” is

The Mystery of God with The Hope of Glory as the final step in teaching you to become in God's *image* (Colossians 1:27). As long as you remain *faithful*, you will be saved, "*For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith [belief] to faith: as it is written*" (Romans 1:17). This is God, *spiritually* changing you, one step at a time to become a "*spirit*" like Him. You can only become a Son of God through His Holy Spirit (Romans 8:14).

To change from carnal, like a lion, bear, or leopard, to a lamb, you must become a willing sacrifice, as was Christ. Then, you become a body, like Jesus prepared by God. This is worshipping God "*in spirit*" rather than by The Letter with all its demanding human works, which never brought them to repentance.

JAMES TO JESUS

James was the original "*pillar*" to The Jews followed by The Gentiles through Christ bringing God's Holy Spirit to The Gentiles. Jesus was a pillar to The Gentiles. *The Spiritual Temple* had two pillars – Jesus and his brother James. The *physical temple* by "*animal sacrifices*" and other "*works*" of *The Law* led by Jacob and Boaz (as their pillars) was what Jesus rebuked and said He would destroy. This physical Temple was replaced from Jacob (Israel) and King David's genealogy – based upon human deeds to a *new spiritual temple*. This change of teaching by God was transitional from Jacob and Boaz, to James and Jesus, as *pillars* in The Temple of God. This change evolved over a long period of time. Israel, who was first, had to become last.

The ones who were always “*last*” (The Gentiles) would become “*first*,” replacing Israel. James, *a strict keeper of The Law*, continued until his martyrdom and Jesus continued until his death.

CHAPTER 20

STEP 10

A SPIRITUAL TEMPLE

God's *Spiritual Temple* is the ultimate system of making man in His *image*. God is a Spirit wanting to be worshipped in *spirit* and in *truth*. *Spirit* is a gift, but *truth* has to do with education. How does God, who is a Spirit, make man in *The Image of God*?

TRUTH IS GOD'S WORD

God seals you with His *truth* (John 17:17). Then, Jesus defines "*truth*" as "God's *word*." Christ is The Word of God. "*Christ – In You*" is the answer to "*spiritually worshipping God*." By doing so, you learn *the truth* by His *word*. You distinctly see God educates by The Truth of God's Word. Jesus is the *author*, or *example of God, to follow* (Hebrews 12:2).

"*Truth*" can make you "*wise*" by possessing actual knowledge. The word "*repentance*" means "*a change of mind*" – meaning a different way of thinking. That is why Paul tells you to have *The Mind of Christ* which is *The Mind of God* (Philippians 2:5).

You already know "*flesh is flesh*" and "*Spirit is Spirit*," but the two are not the same substance. Your body is

composed of flesh. Your human body is only a Tabernacle, or a temple in which you dwell. Never forget God used The Tabernacle in Moses' time. The human body is a temporary dwelling which is "*The Spirit – In Man,*" which is a gift from God. Once you repent, you will have access to God's Holy Spirit. You are still in your human flesh, but "*the spirit*" will begin to make you Holy through God's Holy Spirit. Then you will begin, *spiritually* to grow into The Mind of Christ, and God. Just as God sent His Son into *the world* by His Holy Spirit, Jesus sends you into the world to be a witness (Luke 1:35).

Jesus did not exist as another being before He was human. Jesus was the Word of God from the Beginning. At Jesus' birth, the same Word of God Jesus received was through God's Holy Spirit. God gave Jesus His Word, which was all God had in His mind throughout the ages. Jesus had such power, because God gave the "*capsule of the wisdom*" God had. This was Jesus' inheritance, and Christ did everything God told Him to do. The very power made Him Holy, as God's Holy Spirit can make you Holy. What happened to Jesus will happen to you (John 17:18). Of course, Jesus received the experiences of God. All the inhabitants of the world combined, did not come close to the knowledge Christ received.

GOD'S SPIRITUAL TEMPLE

Paul warns you about *the doctrines* which cause divisions in God's churches. He states those who are part of *the covenants* and *the divisions* are carnal. Paul and

the other ministers laid the foundation of “*Christ – In You.*” Even though they differ, doctrinally, they are still part of The Body of Christ (I Corinthians 3:1-16).

You do not grow “*spiritually*” with exactly the same level of knowledge or doctrine. That is why Paul said, “*causing division*” over “*doctrine*” is *carnal*. They are like wild animals devouring each other. In some cases, they persecute, or martyr fellow-Christians, like wild animals. To be tossed to-and-fro by doctrine is foolish. *Spiritual* growth is an individual process and only God can do the teaching. You must keep walking in Christ’s footsteps (Ephesians 4:13-14). *Spiritual* growth is an individual process (Philippians 2:12). Christians comprise God’s individual *temple* (I Corinthians 3:16).

Once Herod’s *temple* was destroyed in 70 A.D., the worshipping of God in “*a man-made temple*” ended. This physical temple was built by human effort, human works and human deeds. Now, God was building His *temple* through Christ by “*God’s Holy Spirit – In You.*” God’s Holy Temple is now, *spiritually*, in the hearts and minds of Christian through *faith*, which has nothing to do with your physical body.

PETER A STONE

Because Peter, The Apostle believed Jesus was The Christ, he became one of the stones in The *Spiritual* Temple of God (Matthew 18). Peter is chosen to record how God is building this *Spiritual* Temple through Christ, “*You also, [as Christ] as lively [living] stones,*

are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood [sacrificing] to offer up spiritual sacrifices [self personal desires], acceptable to God by Jesus Christ (I Peter 2:5).

If you build your house on Christ (rock) it will stand, forever (Matthew 7:24-27 and I Corinthians 4:10). This is Step 10 in God's educational process to make you in His image. When you have The Mind of Christ and The Father, you will not be perfect. You will still have a corruptible body which is a "temporary dwelling," "For now we see through a glass [mirror] darkly, but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known" (I Corinthians 13:12). You will not be in God's exact image until you stand facing God. At that time, you will look like Him. Jesus had to wait to leave His physical body to receive His glorified body in God's precise image. You, likewise, must put off this corruptible body for an incorruptible body (I Corinthians 15:42-44).

ALPHA AND OMEGA

"Prophecy" in Hebrew is pictured as a "man rowing in a boat with his back facing his destination but, still, looking where he had been!" "Prophecy" is "world history to come." The question becomes, "why does Biblical prophecy always look" – to its beginning – to learn its future?

A mysterious clue God left for you is that He is known as The Alpha and The Omega – The Beginning and The End. The *End* is the *Beginning* with a *spiritual Tree of Life, God's Holy Spirit.*

CREATOR OF ALL THINGS

The Apostle, John is pictured in heaven viewing God, The Almighty One. The Lamb of God was before Him as *the world's sacrifice* (Revelation 4:11). Jesus, The Lamb, is worthy to open "*the sealed book*" in God's hands (Revelation 5:5-6). It is Jesus who opens *The Book with The Seven Seals*. This *prophetic book* is filled with The Mystery of God. Christ is The Only One worthy to reveal The Mystery of God. The Apostle Paul knew this mystery when he wrote The Mystery of God is "*Christ – In You.*" Through Jesus you will receive The Hope of The Glory of God (God's goodness) (Exodus 33). A *biblical dilemma*, at this point, must be addressed.

At the end of *The Book of Revelation* Christ makes a declarative statement, "*I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last*" (Revelation 22:13). How can this be? How can God and Jesus be The Alpha and Omega – *the beginning and the end*? This question has caused debates, anger and world wide violence and harm. You, as a Christian, must find the answer.

THE FIRST BEGOTTEN SON

Christ, The Lamb of God, besides being The Alpha and The Omega, adds an important *scriptural* clue to The Mystery of God. Christ revealed, He was The Alpha and The Omega just like God. He revealed He was "*the first*" and will be "*the last.*" Jesus is God's Son, in God's *image* and has received a reward for His

Work of Faith. Jesus was *faithful* as a Witness to The World (Revelation 1:5). He was *The First Witness* and therefore, became **The Author of Your Salvation**. By His witness of *faithfulness*, He was found *worthy*. As His reward He will be **The Revelator of God's Mystery** (Hebrews 12:2).

Notice, *The Book of Hebrews* gives you *the sequence* of God's work plan. *The sequence* covers the steps of how God teaches you to be in His *image*. Moses was *faithful* in his *house*, as Christ was in His *house*. But always keep in mind it is God who "*builds all things*" (Hebrews 3:1-4). Here is your *Biblical* summary: *All the steps of responsibility were accomplished by God and no one else. It is God's work being done by The Father through and by God's Holy Spirit. God did the work, and so did Moses and Christ. Both, Moses and Christ were Prophets* (Deuteronomy 18:18).

GOD'S WORK NOT MAN'S

Jesus tried to reveal that only God, The Father does the work and not any man, "*Then answered Jesus and said to them, Verily, verily, I say to you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he see the Father do: for what things soever he does, these also does the Son likewise. For the Father loves the Son, and shows him all things that himself does: and he will show him greater works than these, that you may marvel*" (John 5:19-20). Christ knew what *The Father does* by having God's Holy Spirit. With repentance, prayer and an earnest of The Holy Spirit, you will be able to do those same "*works.*"

For you to do God's "works" cannot be any clearer. Jesus, The Son of Man, does nothing by Himself. It is "*The Father – In Christ*" who did the work. How? It was by God's Holy Spirit which did all His miraculous works. God did all the work through Christ. It was The Work of God and not Christ doing any of the work (John 6:25). Jesus was *faithful* and because of His *faith* in His Father, Christ did all *the works* by God's Holy Spirit (Luke 1:35). Because of "*God's Holy Spirit – In Jesus*" (as a human) God was doing *the work*. That fact is what made Jesus in God's *image*. Jesus was God's First Begotten Son. "*The beginning one*" in Greek is "*mono-genus.*" Jesus was The First Son of God. Now, it begins to make sense.

Jesus, as a human, could not do anything for Himself. All the miracles were done through God. It was "*God – In Christ*" through The Holy Spirit which did all the miraculous works. Now, The Work of God will make man in His *image*. Only God can reproduce Himself. Humans are not like God. Humans can only reproduce humans, but cannot make any man in God's *image*. "*Kind after kind.*" When Jesus was glorified in God's image, He, then could make man in God's image (Hebrews 1:3).

This is "*the final step*" in God teaching you to be in His *image*. The Son, because of His *faith* in His Father, has made all things by "*God's Holy Spirit – In Him.*" It is "*God – In You*" (The Holy Spirit) which makes Christ "*The Author of God's Word – In You.*" "*Christ – In You*" is "*The Mystery of God.*" Now, by your *faith*, like Jesus which produces *the hope of your future glory* is

to be like The Son and The Father. Jesus is The Alpha, being in God's image and The Omega – *“The First and The Last.”*

THE KINGDOM OF GOD

What will The Sons of God be doing in The Kingdom of God? Obviously, you will be doing The Work of God. However, God will still build all things. In total *“faith”* you will keep doing The Works of God, as God keeps revealing Himself to you.

God tells you of His *“future work”* in His Kingdom, *“And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle [dwelling] of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be His people [church – congregation], and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new, And he said to me, Write: for these words are true and faithful. And he said to me, It is done, I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. He that overcomes shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son”* (Revelation 21:3-7).

God gives you His predetermined purpose of what you will be doing in The Kingdom of God. Salvation will continue in The Kingdom. The Fountain of Life

will be freely given to everyone who asks for its Holy waters.

What are these waters from the fountain? *“In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come to me, and drink. He that believes on me, as the scriptures has said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water”* (John 7:37-39). What comprises The Rivers of Water which gives life? *“But this spoke he [Jesus] of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost [Spirit] was not yet given, because that Jesus was not yet glorified [not yet, became like God, His Father]”* (John 7:39).

GOD’S FINAL WORK

God clearly reveals that The Alpha, *the beginning* of making man in His image is *“In Christ.”* Jesus is The Alpha, The First Begotten and, The Omega, The Last Work of God. But there will be more work to follow.

Everyone under The New Heavens and on The New Earth can have access to God’s Holy Spirit. At this time, as Spirits, they will no longer be in the flesh. Everyone, when the flesh is destroyed in The Lake of Fire, will no longer have sin. Jesus with His Bride will be doing God’s Work offering The Rivers of Healing Waters, *“And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely”* (Revelation 22:17).

God who builds all things makes everything new, as

was originally done, in The Garden of Eden. This *creation* in The Kingdom of God is not *physical*. In Greek, the word “*new*” refers to “*quality*.” “*Quality*” carries “*the connotation of superior or better*.” How is this *Kingdom* of God better? This *Kingdom* is a Paradise, like The Garden of Eden, but with one great change. What is missing is, “*No one will die*.” The corruptible must put on *incorruption* (no more death) (I Corinthians 15:49-50, 53). The *Kingdom of God* is qualitatively superior because it is *incorruptible*, being all Spirit. With death gone, sin is gone and *The Law* is fulfilled (I Corinthians 15:55-57). Now, all can be made perfect in God’s *image*. (Request the free books, *The White Throne Judgment* and *God’s Will*, which will give you an exciting experience to learn more about God’s image).

GOD’S GREAT LOVE

A perfect circle is completed. God will have made mankind in His image (Genesis 1:26). Adam and Eve missed the mark by thinking they could be in God’s image through their own devices, but that did not work. It was not possible for them and cannot be possible for you, without God’s help. You must do it God’s way. By not knowing good and evil, came under the deception of Satan, who continually snipes at their heels and their progeny. Mankind lost the way to The Truth of God.

GOD’S HOLY SPIRIT

The final step returns to the beginning in Adam and Eve’s lifetime. Christ came to restore what was lost

(Matthew 18:11). **God is The Alpha and The Omega** (Revelation 21:3-6). **God had to reveal mankind's history. The Book of The People is how The Muslims define *The Bible*.**

“*The Bible is history*” recorded in advance, so civilization will know God is doing the work. *The Bible* proves itself to be The Word of God and is inspired by God. Who can write a book, recorded over thousands of years by dozens of human scribes and Prophets writing what will come, without so much as a mistake. The odds are incalculable.

“*The Bible*” is “*God's word*” which is “*God's work*.” God's work is explicitly outlined in *The Bible* revealing His work by His word. God is the beginning and the end. As God began in the beginning, God brings prophecy *full circle back* to its beginning. The Holy Spirit is The Tree of Life by Jesus Christ, The Word of God, who became the author. Jesus is The Author of this book written by God's Holy Spirit. God is reproducing Himself through His Son who only does every Work of God which is The Will of God (Isaiah 55:11).

PROPHECY CHANGES

Mankind tends to think *prophecy* occurs on a certain time schedule, but with God there is *no time*. To God, a day is the same as a thousand years (II Peter 3). Prophecy is conditional, depending upon your choices. When you choose to do *good*, God continues His blessings and when you do *evil*, you are cursed, as *The Law* demands.

The Law of God is forever with no time limit, as with prophecy that is based upon your works of good and evil. This is conditional, according, to your free choices, when you decide to make any of your decisions. This is the reason you are discovering God changes His methodology of teaching over ten different ways of administering His *Law*. When you choose “*good*,” God abundantly blesses your life, as with Abraham. When you do evil, you must pay many penalties and experience much pain and suffering.

Thankfully, Christ, as The Word of God and by His sacrifice, gives you “*grace*” when you sin. His “*mercy*” removes the curse, whatever it may be. Once again you receive “*mercy*” from your loving Father, and that is how prophecy comes to pass. Paul told you, “*prophecies shall fail, that is pause, rest and then go on when God’s will is done*” (paraphrased) (I Corinthians 13:8). It is all based upon your choices. God will accept everyone, as long as they “*fear*” Him and deeply seek “*God’s righteousness*.”

FAITH DEMANDS WORKS

As James said, “*Faith without works is dead*” (James 2:17). A lack of *faith* produces death, not life. What kind of works? James clearly answers this question by quoting The Royal Law, “*You shall love your neighbor as yourself, you do well*” (James 2:8). This law is really simple. Doing God’s works is the answer which Christ said is lawful in keeping The Sabbath. One is in God’s rest, by keeping The Sabbath, even though they must do hard work on The Sabbath, such as pulling

an ox out of the ditch. Doing any good work on any day pleases God, as long as it is a *“righteous work.”* Notice what James had to say, *“What does it profit, my brethren, though a man say he has faith and have not works? Can faith save Him? If a brother or sister be naked and destitute of daily food, And one of you say to them, Depart in peace, be you warmed and filled; notwithstanding you give them not those things which are needful to the body; what does it profit? Even so faith, if it has not works, is dead being alone”* (James 2:14-17). You are saved by *faith*, but that *“faith”* must produce fruits. What fruits? *“Fruits of righteousness.”* Jesus told you that eating from The Tree of Life will bring forth good fruits. On the other hand, when you choose The Tree of The Knowledge of Good and Evil, produces bad fruits. It is that simple (Matthew 7). You are saved by *faith*, but that *faith* must produce *good fruits* if not, God is not making you in His *image*. Christ’s last request to The Father was for Him and The Father to be *“One.”* You too must be One with God and His Son (John 17:17). You are all to be in the very *image* of God (Hebrews 1:1-3). You then can be as Christ, who is in *The Image* of God.

Until Jesus was born with God’s Holy Spirit without measure, God did His Work through The Holy Spirit. Christ was His Firstborn Son. God had done all the work. Jesus in the flesh could not. God was to be *“All In All”* (I Corinthians 15:28). This was God’s purpose from the beginning. God’s purpose continues, so His Son can fulfill His mission.

Christ came into the world *“To Save the World”* (I John

4:14). When will He complete His mission? There is no set date. There is never a set date when it comes to *prophecy*. What God has predestined is God's *will*, but unlike man God always allows *free choice*, which means He gives *liberty* to everyone. *Free choice* demands *liberty* (Romans 8:21). All are born in bondage or slavery, but all will be delivered from this bondage of death, as Roman 8 states. Prophecy depends on everyone. God gives everyone a chance to follow His way.

The entire universe, with everything in it was made for that purpose of your Loving God, "*Because the creature [creation] itself also shall be delivered from the bondage [slavery] of corruption [death]*" (Romans 8:21). You learn, *scripturally*, "*For we know that the whole creation [universe] groans and travails in pain together until now [in Christ]*" (Romans 8:22). God is full of love and His love will never fail. There is no darkness in God, but only light and truth. This Work of God is to be completed through God's First Begotten Son and fulfilled by "*Christ – In You*" as *Faithful Children of God*. Christ came to restore what was lost – The "*Tree of Life*" (Matthew 18:11).

The Tree of Life is *the root*, which is God and His Son as *The Branch*. The rest are vines, off that branch, to bring the universe to The Liberty of Eternity (or eternal) – Life in Paradise.

This is God's *will*, which is God's desire through *free choice* until God's *counsel* has been fulfilled (Isaiah 55:11).

Following The Ten Steps will lead you to Eternal Life in The Promised Land. At that time, you will have reached your goal – Paradise. Paradise – a Paradise which you unconscionably have been dreaming about. This could be a world full of joy, happiness and a life filled with creative works which will be most fulfilling. You cannot imagine what God has planned for you. You may have some wonderful surprises in your lifetime, but when God plans, you must experience it for yourself. Words cannot explain how wonderful it will be.