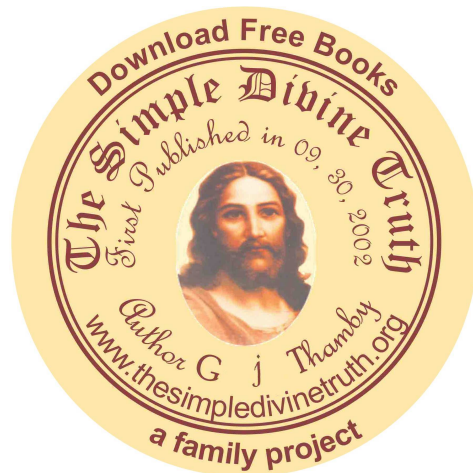


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Jesus is the only name and no other name is given
For the salvation of man, under the sky Acts 4:12



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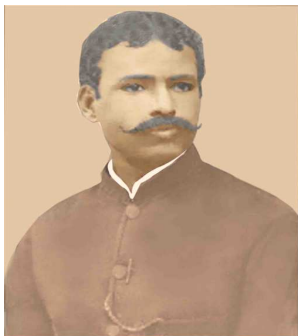
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Prologue

If you conduct a survey, how many Christians have ever read the whole Bible, you will find only very few. Why? Traditional Christians just don't consider it, as a must. They think, whatever they do is more than enough to reach eternity. These Christians are worst than Hippocratic Jews of Jesus' time. It is very difficult for these Christians to obey God's commandments. But God says, *"If you have the will, you can do it"* So long you don't read The Bible, you know very little, about the things you are supposed to do, and about the things you are not supposed to do; even then you are aware of all the right and wrong, this is more than enough for God, to bring you to Judgment. People have wrong notion. They can attain salvation if they do something right in their life. God is not going to spare anyone easily. God says, *"You have put a lot of effort to study the things of the world, why not you learn about the one who has created all these?"*



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Aimanam
Kottayam 1863 – 1949
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Above is my grandfather's picture. I learned my first verse from him when I was just nine years old. He told me to read an inscription from a framed picture, which was hanging on the wall. It read as *"My peace I give to you" John 14: 27*

At that time I could hardly read English words, I was studying in a regional language school. English medium school was not even known to me at that time. I did not really know what that inscription meant.

That picture was on the wall for four decades, which reminded me, my grandfather often. I knew that I could never beat his record of reading capability. He could read the whole Bible within one week He was a post-graduate and a great Scholar, and his reading habit was unthinkable to me. He was a great storyteller too, but he could never complete even one story in a night, before that I would fall asleep. When I was about twelve, I lost him forever. There is something special about my grandfather's photograph. His friend D'CRUZ photographed this in 1885. D'Cruz took the historic picture of Bishop Gregorios of Parumala, Kerala State.

My grandfather's huge collection of English classics and storybooks inspired me, to achieve a covetable habit of reading. When I was twenty I thought of his ability in reading the Bible. I began to read the Bible without a time limit, and read it once. Nothing has gone in to my head. When I was thirty I read the whole Bible for the second time that also didn't help much. When I was in my fifties, I read a Bible with a larger font for the third time within 45 days, from the beginning to the end. I could see how well the

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whole thing was interconnected. I could remember almost all-important events in the Bible, but I was really bad with the references.

Same year itself I read the whole Bible for the fourth time, that took nearly four months time. Several things I left unnoticed began to come up as I read it over again and again and the meanings were getting deeper. No one told me to read it and that inspiration came within me.

When I was reading for the third time, I began to write down several striking verses. I had no intention to compile what I was writing down. Mean while my contacts with many people was great help to improve my search for knowledge. In fact things were going out of my usual line of thinking, and began to search for more information. My interest grew, and I began to feed everything I have gathered in to a computer. It was very easy to revise my writings in the computer; I could avoid waste of paper, over writings, and erasing. As this was continued, I began to give out small writings, which turned out to be very interesting to others. At last I thought, I should make the whole thing in to a book. Topics were many, and several of them remained incomplete. Then I split them in to seven, and decided to publish the first book, without any benefit. By the time my investment became very huge, and the whole effort and expenses was mine alone. I have only one intention, pass on this information to maximum number of people. I firmly believe all the credit, of this effort goes to the one who has created me. I was led in to this path by that eternal power, which I never recognized until very late. Personally I disliked any spiritual work, because most of the people brought a very bad name to themselves. They preached of things they never practiced. Spiritual work became a source of luxurious life.

John 15; 5 The Lord said, "Apart from 'Me' nothing is possible for you"

This verse always reminds me that I am nothing, and anything I achieve is not out of my ability but God's grace.

The Bible is very specific about man's origin. All religions do say, there is a God, and God is spirit. God covers the entire universe. The boundary of the universe is known to God only, and nobody else. By virtue, human beings could not see the spirit God. When human being's body and spirit are separated, his spirit will be able to see God and not otherwise.

Man cannot see the presence and function of God, because man is unholy, due to his disobedience to God's Laws. When you have committed sins you have become un-holy and strayed away from God's path, and that creates a gap between you and God. But if you are pure in heart, you will be able to see God, even when you possess a human body.

Mathew 5; 8 Jesus said, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God"

Before the creation took place, God had His master plan, in which He designed everything from the beginning to the end. Every living thing has a life span and non-living things transform, from one element to another. Man was the last thing God has ever created, because God knew, man would not hesitate to say, that he helped God, to complete His creation. When man became ungodly, every thing went wrong, and he could not get God's help. To get things done in his own way, man had to look for some

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other super natural powers, for which he began to worship anything, by which he can achieve his goal.

From the time man became an inhabitant of this planet, he went wrong, from that time onwards man began different types of worshipping. As man began to multiply, he created several religions. All those started from the same place and from the same root. In due course God created man began to create Gods. This is the beginning of different religions. Man fight with each other, to protect his God, whom he has never seen. God is peace, and God wants His people to live in harmony and peace. God does not like His children to fight with each other and perish. Foolish men never realize it. Man's dominion over earth, is a blessing by God, but man continue to misuse it. Man has made rules, above God's commandments, and named it as traditions and his will, which could destroy his own destiny. Today what evilness man does not do? Corruption, bribery, adultery, alcoholism, nepotism, narcotics and addiction, and breaking of the law of the land even by the lawmakers, blasphemy, betrayal, and treachery are all common. Man has labeled these, as part of social life. As it is, there is no right or wrong.

Man does, what pleases him, and he justifies it. Man's thoughts, are not 'justifiable' before God? This is what is explained through the scripture. God's law applies to all. All are His children and He is just. Man is answerable to God even for every word he has uttered. His punishments, will be handed down to the fourth generation, and can be up to seven folds. Man inherits parents, resemblances, talents, complexion, diseases, and wealth. At the same time he also inherits, all the curses that has been brought in, by his ancestors, up to fourth generation. Why generations one after another, diseases like, hysteria, accidental deaths, birth defects, retardation, are seen? If you sincerely try by straightening your own life, and by worshipping God properly by obeying His commandments, you can put an end to these tragedies and hereditary diseases.

One becomes the highest, by his conduct and not by birth. A man is not a real man when he is ungodly, but worse than an animal, and Jesus calls them as children of Satan. What we see in this modern society is white washed coffins. Non-believers and atheists do know what is right and wrong. When they do wrong things, God's laws do tell them in their heart, it is not right. They call it, conscience. Even then he continues to do wicked things, because of the evilness in him. To drive such evil power out from yourself, you must surrender before God. At the same time you have to obey God's commandments. Here you change your so-called fate.

Either you attain this ever-lasting peace for your own spirit, or face eternal destruction. It is a wrong concept that mans fate is pre-determined. Man has the freedom to do right and wrong. Depending on the right or wrong things he does, he reaps either good or bad crops. When you do unrighteous things obviously you end in tragedy, at that time don't blame it on fate. Fate is your own creation. You don't reach, God decided destination due to your own sins. God knows exactly where you are going to end.

He will not interfere in your everyday life. He has made the covenants and set you free. When you are aware of the commandments and consequences why you blame fate? Gracious God is willing to help you, like a generous father, even when you have done only wickedness. All you have to do is acknowledge your disobedience and repent, He will forgive you. This book is released to save your spirit, and not to invite to any religion, or denomination or a particular sect. Only you can save your own spirit, and nobody else.

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If your descendants, do some 'after death celebrations', rituals, and publishing your photos in obituary columns of the newspapers, that will not help, to save your spirit. When you are alive, if you lead a righteous life, only that can pay you a good reward. My opinion is, reading any non-filthy book is good. No such good books can be discriminated; you will always find several good things from each book. You must continue to search for the truth, because, 'Truth' is the word of God, and that is what you have to seek.

The Bible is the constitution, of spiritual, social and individual life of entire mankind. This book reveals some portion of The Bible. Please read any version of the whole Bible for your own better benefit. You are supposed to study {not mere reading} the Bible, and must follow what is said in it.

You must tell others, what you found and experienced in this book. For the same reason I write this. I am trying to familiarize you with as many as word of God possible. I should not conceal what I have learned and experienced, let others also know about it so that it can be beneficial to them.

*1 John 5: 3. The love of God is to obey his
Commandments, which are not burdensome*

Just reading the Bible even on a regular basis will not help; you must study and must remember it. It is easy to write a book based on one subject but it is very tough to write with too many subjects in one book; you can see the references used in this book is from the beginning to the end of the Bible. You can imagine how difficult it is to write related verses unless you are thorough with them.

How can you use them unless you know the magnitude of its meaning? Now everything is made easy for you to understand, rest is for you to obey the Lord's commandments.

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Chapter 01

Our Father

Jesus' disciples have been with Him for a long time, and have seen all the miracles Jesus was performing. They never asked Him to teach them how to do them. They knew Jesus used to pray alone in the evening, in the night and early in the morning. They also knew He received all the power through His prayers, and did all the miracles. They figured to ask Jesus to teach them how to pray, rather than to ask him how to do miracles, because they knew prayer is power and strength.

Luke 11: 1. The disciples asked Jesus, "Lord teach us to pray."

Mathew 6: 5-8. Jesus said, "When you pray, you must not be like hypocrites"

You must be sincere in your prayer and it must not be for a show. You must also meet all the other conditions of the prayer, as it is written in the scripture, otherwise your prayer will not be answered. Refer "The Simple Divine Truth Book 1; -Prayers not answered"

Mathew 6: 9-11 & Luke 11: 2-4. Jesus said pray in this way, "Our father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors."

(1) "Our father"

Jesus said; address your God, as "our Father", because God is not your Father alone, but everybody's Father. You are praying for everybody and not for you alone. You will see a plural, rather than a singular is frequently used, in this prayer.

Romans 8; 16 "When we cry Abba, Father, it is the Holy Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God."

Mathew 23: 9 Christ said, "Call no man your father on earth, for you have one father, who is in heaven"

Our God is a jealous God. He does not like any one else to be loved or worshipped more, than Him. God does not like anybody else to be given more importance. Besides it declares the father and children, relationship between God and men.

Exodus 20: 5. The Lord Said. "I The Lord Your God, am a jealous God."

(2) "Who art in Heaven"

Heaven is decorated by His presence, without Him there is no Heaven. The following verses, establishes God's presence in Heaven.

Isaiah 66: 1. "The Lord said, "Heaven is my throne"

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Psalms 11: 4. The Lord is in His Holy temple. The Lord's throne is in Heaven.

There are some prayer books in which it is written: --- Our Father who sits in the Sky.

When you say, "Father who sits in the sky," you are praying to Satan! You must pray, "Our Father Who art in Heaven," and not to the father in the sky.

Ephesians 2: 2 Once you walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the sky. Prince of the sky = Lucifer, otherwise known as Satan.

(3) "Hallowed be thy name" (Hallow = Holy)

Leviticus 19: 2. The Lord said, "I The Lord Your God, Am Holy"

God himself has revealed His Holiness. Everything is created for God's glory. It is man's responsibility to praise and worship Him and to say man's gratitude.

(4) "Thy Kingdom come"

Mathew 6: 33. Jesus said, "Seek first, His kingdom and His righteousness, and the rest will be added to it"

Romans 14: 17 The Kingdom of God is not food and drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

(5) "Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven."

Isaiah 66: 1. The lord said, "Earth is my foot stool"

This shows that the Heaven and the earth is directly connected. What ever is happening on the earth is just underneath His feet. His will is - His people should obey all His commandments.

They should worship Him only. Then God could dwell or inhabits in you, making you – God's temple.

Leviticus 26; 3 & 12 The Lord said, "If you follow my statutes and keep my commandments and observe them faithfully, I will walk among you, and will be your God, and you shall be my people"

(6) "Give us each day our daily bread" John 6: 35 Jesus said, "*I am the Bread of Life*"

Mathew 4: 4 Jesus said "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from God's mouth."

Jesus is the word of God. "The word is God" Without the "Word of God," how can anyone stay alive? The word of God is the bread. Obviously people may be thinking and praying for good food, rather than praying for the Word of Life. God has already promised bread for the physical body, what you need next is spiritual food and that is what you are praying for.



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Mathew 6: 25 Jesus said, "Do not worry about your life, what you drink, eat, and wear. Look at the birds of the air; your heavenly father feeds them. Are you not more value than them"?

Philippians 4: 6 Let your requests be made known to God, by prayer and supplication with "thanks giving."

Here it emphasizes the importance of prayer, and you must submit your needs and say your gratitude. This is not because God doesn't know your need, but you must ask him, that is a Commandment from Him, without which He doesn't want to give you.

(7) "Forgive our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us."

Hebrews 3: 1 Jesus is the apostle and high priest of confession. {Confess your sins to God; then He will not remember your sins and lawless deeds any more}

Hebrews 10: 17 The Lord said, "I will remember their sins and lawless deeds no more"

Mark 11: 25 The Lord said, "When you pray, you forgive, if you have anything against your brother; so that your father in Heaven may also forgive your trespasses."

If you don't forgive others, and you pray to God; to forgive you as you forgive others. In fact you are praying to God, not to forgive you. If you do not pray with full concentration, and not knowing it's meaning, you are doing some exercise with your tongue. Just chanting few words, will not serve any purpose, but brings you harm.

(8) "Lead us not in to temptation"

Mathew 26: 41 Jesus said, "Stay awake and pray, so that you may not come into the time of trial."

Temptations will be there, but you will not be lead in to it, provided you pray for it. The Lord will lead you out of it.

James 1: 12-14 The Lord said, "Blessed is the one who stood the temptation he will receive the 'Crown of Life'. God does not tempt anyone and God himself cannot be tempted. One is tempted by his own desire, being lure and enticed by it. Desire gives birth to sin, and sin gives birth to death."

Through self-control, bridle your desires, so that you do not commit sin.

(9) "But deliver us from the evil"

Ephesians 6: 10 – 15 Be strong in The Lord, and in His might, put on The Whole Armor of The Lord, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles (Lure or bait) of the devil.



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The Armor of The Lord

Ephesians 6: 14 -- 17 Fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these take the shield of faith, which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Holy Spirit, which is "The Word of God."

(10) "For Thine is the Kingdom, power and Glory, for ever and ever."

(6) "Kingdom" – explained in Paragraph – 4 above

(b) Power – *Job 36: 22. Behold, God is exalted (high) in His Power.*

I Glory = great honor, of wonder, beauty, might, magnificent and illustrious exaltation.
(God's glory is far beyond description)

Isaiah 42: 8 The Lord said, "I am The Lord, my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to graven images."

Isaiah 48: 11 The Lord said, "My glory I will not give to another."

Following is an example of taking glory of God, by Herod.

Acts 12: 22 When people praised Herod, an angel of God smote Herod, because he did not give glory to God, Herod was eaten by worms and died.

Structure of the Prayer

(1) Prayer starts with Praising & Worshipping – From our
Father—as it is in heaven

(2) Submit your need Forgive us—as we forgive

(3) Confess, repent & apologize – Forgive us—as we forgive

(4) Request God's help not to commit sins – Lead us not in to temptation

(5) Request to save you from devil – Deliver us from evil

(6) Praise God – Thine is the Kingdom and power and Glory forever

With praising and worshipping and thanks giving to the Lord, the prayer is concluded. In fact this prayer also gives a structure of an actual prayer. Whenever you worship the Lord, your prayer should have a similar structure, or framework. Though this prayer looks so simple and small, it's meaning and magnitude is very great. Only a person who has good knowledge of its meaning, and who has good faith in God, can pray sincerely. The author has made no interpretation of The Bible. Quoting from The Bible itself meanings are elaborated.

The prayer "Our Father," is from the New Testament. You may please refer any version of the Bible. Mathew 6: 9–13, and Luke 11: 2–4

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Your success depends on your obedience to God's Commandments and faith in God, and not in your intellectual games with God.

Joshua 1: 8, The Lord said, "The Law shall not depart from your mouth, you shall meditate on it day and night; that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you shall make your way prosperous and you shall have good success"

Towards the end of "Our Father" in some prayer books the following is added.

- (1) Lead us not in to temptation but deliver us from the evil.
- (2) Thine is the kingdom, power and glory forever.

This is not in the Bible but only in those prayer books. Even if you use it, it is good. The meaning is explained.

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Psalms 123

I lift up my eyes, to You my Lord who dwells in the heavens. Behold, as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden to the hand of her mistress; so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until that he have mercy upon us. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we are exceedingly filled with contempt. Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorning of those that are at ease, and with the contempt of the proud.

Chapter 02

Christ and His Authority

Jesus Christ is the only one in focal point. Several thousands of years ago the incarnation of Jesus Christ was prophesied; it happened in two thousand years ago. The fundamental of any religion is to direct and to lead the man, in the righteous path. What Christ has shown is an incomparable example for the man to follow. Man is prone to make mistakes and break God's law often. As you read the following, you will know where you are exactly. The author depends on the 'Word of God', which is the truth, and has very little to say of his own.

*Mathew 17: 5 The heavenly father said,
"This is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased, Listen to him"*

Through Jesus, the heavenly Father has spoken and revealed everything, you have asked and desired. The 'Word of God' that had to be completed and the revelations of the Old Testament have been fulfilled through Jesus Christ. Jesus was the reply and answer of the mankind. He was the image of the Father, 'The Word' and a Prophet. Jesus lived among men on the earth as a companion, Rabbi, Master, Servant, Reward, Ransom, intercessor, high priest and Sacrifice and as a great humanitarian besides as God.

Colossians 2: 2-3 You can have all the riches of assured understanding and knowledge of God's mystery in Jesus Christ. In him are hidden, all the treasures of the wisdom and knowledge.

This is one of the greatest expositions of Christ. If you need wisdom and knowledge, you must pray to the Jesus.

*Colossians 2: 9-10 In Christ all the fullness of **deity** dwells bodily. He is the head of every ruler and authority, and in Him you have come to fullness.*
(Deity = the essential nature of God- which is divinity; Dwells = Remains; Lives in)

One should follow Christ only. Anything other than that should not be taken for belief; so that you will become complete or reach fullness of a real and perfect man.

Hebrew 1: 5-14 Which of the angels did God say, "You are my son; today I have begotten you?" or again "I will be His Father, and He will be my son"? And again, when He brings the first born in to the world, He says, "Let all Gods and angels worship Him" Of the angels He says "He makes His angels winds, and His servants flames of fire" But of the son He says, "Your throne O' God, is for ever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your Kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore O' God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions" And "In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will wear out like clothing, like a cloak you will roll them up, they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end." Which of his angels has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a foot stool for your feet"? Are not all angels, spirits in the divine service, sent to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation? (Begotten=Brought forth)

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Galatians 1: 9. If anyone says gospel contrary to what you received from Christ, let that one be cursed. If I were still pleasing people, I will not be a servant of God.

1 John 1: 1. The Bible declares, what was in the beginning, what the apostles heard, what they have seen with their eyes, what they have looked at and touched with their hands, concerning the "Word of life." (Jesus Christ)

Christ revealed himself as: -----

- 1) The Son of God,
- 2) The Light,
- 3) The Way,
- 4) The Truth,
- 5) The Life
- 6) The Door
- 7) The Bread of life
- 8) The shepherd
- 9) Resurrection
- 10) Salvation
- 11) High priest (intercessor)
- 12) Love
- 13) Authority of Heaven and Earth

Light. *John 8: 12 Jesus said, "I am the **Light** of the World, Who ever follow me, will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

*John 14: 6 Jesus said, "I am The **Way**, The **Truth**, and The **Life**, and no one comes to the father except through me."*

Way. *2 Samuel: 22-31 God's way is perfect.*

Psalms 77:13 God's way is Holy.

Psalms 139: 24 God's Way is everlasting.

Truth. *John 17: 8 Jesus said, "In truth, I came from you Father."*

John 17: 17. Jesus said, "The word of God is the Truth"

Bread *John 6: 35 Jesus said, "I am the bread of life"*

Door *John 10: 9 "I am the door; who ever enters by me will be saved."*

Shepherd *John 10: 11 "I am the good shepherd. The Good shepherd lays down his life for His sheep"*

Love *1 John 4: 8 God is Love.*

Resurrection and Life *John 11: 25 Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and life"*

Eternal Life *John 3: 16 God so loved the world that he gave, His only son, so that who ever believe in Him should not perish but to have Eternal Life.*

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Authority *Mathew 28: 18 The Lord said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me"*

Salvation *Acts 4: 12 Salvation is in no one else, for there is no other name, under heaven given among men except Jesus, by which we must be saved.*

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*Genesis 4: 8 Cain killed his brother Abel.*

*Genesis 4: 10 The Lord said to Cain, "The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground."*

Abel's blood was crying to God for the revenge, because for no reason he was killed. When Christ was crucified, He cried to His Father, to forgive those who crucified Him.

This is the greatest love of Jesus for man and amazing forgiveness!

*Psalms 86: 8 King David said, "O' Lord, there is none like you among the Gods, nor there are any works like yours."*

David knew that people worshiped several Gods, so he said that the Lord of Host is the only true God. God never revealed His name but He said, "I am what I am." You may be a firm believer and you might often say, God and My Lord, at the same time you are ignoring an important factor. Satan's followers also address Satan, my lord, my god. In Satanic churches also Satan is worshiped as God. Satan takes undue advantage over your addressing of 'God, my lord' as addressed to him. So it is necessary for you to say, Jesus my Lord, Jesus my God or my God Jesus. The name Jesus must be included with the adjectives.

The term 'Lord' is not a substitute name for God. This is a term used to address some respectable one to draw his attention: --

- (1) A person having authority over another
- (2) A person of high rank.
- (3) A British Noble
- (4) A Feudal land Holder
- (5) A Judge
- (6) An owner of a house or property

When you call Jesus as 'Lord' alone you are only addressing Him in a respectable way. People also have called Him Rabii, and Master; when you use the term 'Lord' alone it doesn't mean you are addressing Jesus unless you add the name Jesus.

*Acts 4: 12 Jesus is the only name and no other name is given for the salvation of man*



### Chapter 3

## The Bible & The Wine

Though alcoholism is strictly forbidden in The Bible, on all occasions you can see a good number of Christians are using alcoholic beverages. In all respect, Christians should set a good example to others, so that others can follow the Christian's uncorrupt life. Alcoholic intake is unwanted for the human body. By taking alcohol you are changing your conscious and normal mind to the unconscious mind, due to intoxication. By drinking, you are destroying yourself, physically, mentally, financially, and socially and most of all spiritually. Drinking in any form, any measure, is strictly forbidden because you are disobeying God's commandment by which your everlasting life is also destroyed. This is otherwise said, that you are committing a serious sin (Sin=disobedience to God's will), by which you are destroying not only this worldly life, but also your eternal life.

*Galatians 5: 21. Those who drink will not inherit the Kingdom of God.*

*Luke 21: 34. Jesus said, "Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise, like a trap."*

*1 Corinthians 3:16--17 Do you know that you are God's temple and God's spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple' God will destroy him. For God's temple is Holy.*

### **The Wedding at Cana**

*John 2: 1–11. At a wedding in Cana of Galilee, Jesus turned water in to wine.*

(There is another Cana in Syria) Most of the people conveniently take this event as an example for drinking. How can a righteous God Himself violate His own word by turning water in to wine, and make people to get drunk? When Jesus did this, it meant something far beyond the straight and simple meaning, we see. For this purpose you have to analyze the historical background to understand its significance, otherwise this would not have been in the Bible.

(1) Jesus and Mary went for the wedding at Cana. The groom was Mary's sister's son. Since Mary's husband Joseph was dead by the time he was not there. Jesus came with five of His disciples, unexpectedly. We do not know how many more unexpected guests turned out, for the marriage. For an ordinary person's marriage, in a remote village it will not be possible to accommodate, few more unexpected guests. Somehow wine happened to become scarce. Since Mary who was in charge of the arrangements, she was told first by the steward about the exhaustion of wine. (Exhaustion=Consumption)

Mary figured that her thirty-year-old son, Jesus would be able to do something. Probably He will make some arrangements to bring some wine from a neighboring house or any other place or shop where it was available.

When Jesus was told about the shortage of wine, Jesus said casually, what He and Mary have to do with it. In a conversation, such a usage was in vogue at that time.





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Jesus meant, it is the responsibility of the head of the family or host to determine, how much wine should have been arranged. He also said that His time has not come to act upon. It is for sure, that Mary really did not know what Jesus meant by what He said. When you read the Bible you can see that Jesus has told the time factor on several occasions.

Jesus was on a scheduled mission, on the earth, by His Heavenly Father, and it was not yet time for Him to act upon, on such occasions, to do some miracle. When He had to do some miracle ahead of time, it is for certain that He had to take permission from the Heavenly Father, which He must have done.

Mary thought that Jesus might do something, though she did not know in which way Jesus was going to arrange the wine. Expecting Jesus' help in one way or other she told the helpers to follow Jesus' instructions, and to do anything He says. Subsequently, Jesus told the helpers to fill the water jars with water. They did what they were told, without caring anything else, because water jars are to fill water and there was nothing unusual about it and six jars have been filled up with water like Jesus said. Then Jesus told the steward to serve the wine from those jars. The steward found the wine in the water jars was of excellent quality.

(2) Two parts of wine is mixed with three parts of water, and served. The alcoholic content of the wine is usually 5 %. When wine is served with a very low alcoholic content. 40% wine is added with 60% water. The chance of getting intoxicated with the diluted wine is nil. Getting drunk on such occasions, with unadulterated wine, was considered to be of great shame. Since water was added by such a large quantity, that wine was no better than any soft drink – like limejuice, or orange juice. This was their national drink also. Coffee and tea was not known at that time.

(3) Water jars happened to be six in numbers. In accordance with the numerology and Jewish belief “six” is an imperfect number. When things worked out well, their superstitious belief was broken, and God's grace has changed Jewish imperfect number in to a perfect number.

(4) According to the Greek mythology there is a God of Wine, called Dionysus. There were stories that, this god used to turn water in to wine, but no one has seen it. When Jesus turned water in to wine in broad daylight, His disciples, Mary, and probably few more happened to know about it. Jesus made the Greek mythology in to reality, which was unreal once. Since Jesus' did this before the disciples they believed in Him.

(5) Six jars of wine for such a small gathering is far beyond their need. This shows that when the grace of God comes, it comes in abundance. When Jesus fed five thousand people, there were also twelve baskets of excess bread. God could create just required quantity – that is not His nature.

(6) This miracle took place in a small, homely atmosphere, where there are no VIPs and no publicity, yet Jesus has done it. Jesus shows his concern to every believer, regardless who they are, and no matter how small they are. Jesus never liked even a small family to grieve, and to be in shame because they could not serve their guests well.

7) The Bible often compares water as

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- (a) Holy Spirit,
- (b) Water of life, and also as
- (c) Blessings of God.

*John 7: 37-38. Jesus said "If anyone thirst, let him come to me and drink, out of His heart shall flow rivers of living water."*

Jesus said to fill the jars with water. It was the Word of God, and the power of the Holy Spirit acted upon, performing a miracle, turning water in to wine.

In fact, it was the blessing of God that helped the small family from an embarrassing situation.

(8) Water jars were made from dust. When Word of God was filled in "a miracle took place".

(9) *Genesis 2: 7. God made man from dust.*

(10) Jesus performed a miracle in a man made earthen jar. If God created man is filled with the Word of God, man can perform greater miracles.

(11) *Mathew 26: 27. Jesus took the cup of wine, after giving thanks He said, "This is my blood of covenant, poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins, drink from it all of you."*

What He did at the wedding in Cana was the shadow of the blood he was going to shed, on the cross! Does the Bible promote, drinking? NO. Now you have a choice to keep drinking and go to Hades, or avoid drinking and go to Heaven. The forbiddance of drinking is a God's commandment. At the same time the basic principle is, you should take or use anything absolutely necessary for your health. So this applies to other vices, like smoking, 'use of pan, snuff,' tobacco or any drugs, Etc any violation of this is a sin, and is punishable accordingly, because you are ruining God's temple since you yourself is the God's temple.

Next-Abortion

## Chapter 4



# Abortion

Abortion means terminating clinically, the growth of a fetus at an early stage, so that a full-grown child will never be formed and born. This is not a natural phenomenon like miscarriage, but it is a willful murder. On following reasons an abortion is normally carried out.

1. On an anticipated birth defect.
2. When a mother's life is at stake, due to the pregnancy.
3. Due to poverty and financial difficulties, in the upbringing of a child.
4. To control Population.
5. A girl child is becoming a liability for a marriage, because of huge dowry practice and other expenses.
6. When children are born, due to illicit relationship the mother had.
7. When the mother is not a legally married person.
8. When one is not mentally ready to become a mother.
9. When one become pregnant, due to a rape.
10. When a mother thinks, her glamour could be lost.

The Bible does not allow abortion, but describes as a murder.  
This is forbidden through the 6th. Commandment – “*You shall not kill.*”

*Wisdom 4: 6 For children born of unlawful unions are witness of evil against their parents when God examines them.*

Illegitimate children can bring nothing but shame and disaster to their parents. Obviously the parents will try to get rid of them. God handed over the reproduction privilege to the parents, and children are born to them, when they participate sexually. This participation must be without sin. Any sexual relationship of any man and woman outside a Biblically approved marriage is adultery, which is also forbidden by the 7th Commandment. “*You shall not commit adultery*” Nothing is born without God's knowledge, even illegitimate children.

*Sirach 17: 2–3 The Lord gave man a short life span, but He granted them authority on everything on the earth. The Lord gave man; power, almost equivalent to God Himself, because Lord' created man in His own image.*

Sirach Chapter 17 -- describes how affectionately and carefully man is created.

*Mathew 10: 30. Even the hairs of your head are all numbered.*

*Isaiah 43: 7. Man is created for the glory of God.*



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The accuracy and precision engineering in God's creation, is beyond mans imagination. Every human being is answerable for his deeds, thoughts and the words he utter, on the Day of Judgment. Unlike all other creations every human being is very precious to the Lord. Though we see some people hold very high office and others having virtually nothing. God has created from the highest to the lowest, from the most beautiful to the ugliest, and from the mightiest to the fragile. You will never know the reasons of this kind of extremity in creations but they are all for His glory, which we cannot understand.

When the children of God are doing evil things, the external Glory of the Heavenly father is destroyed. This is just like a man brings sorrow and shame to his biological father and mother, when his children does evil things.

*Psalms 127: 3 Lo' sons are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb, a reward.*

When children are heritage and reward from the Lord how can you destroy them?

*1 Corinthians 6: 15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ can you make them prostitute?*

If you cannot make prostitute one's body, how can you murder them?

*Wisdom 12: 5 The Lord hates the parent's merciless slaughter of their children.*

"The week", published In March 14th 1999, states, more than 50,000,000 (50 million) abortion took place globally; Voice of America transmitted on 22nd. Jan 1999 that In America alone 1500,000 (1.5 million) abortion took place, during the previous year. These many unborn children were murdered. Their blood is crying to the lord, and the earth is contaminated with that many sins. Disasters, and blood shed, will continue on the earth whereby destroying human lives, wealth and peace on earth.

*Hebrews 13: 4 Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled; for God will judge the immoral and adulterers.*

*Wisdom 14: 24 Man does not keep, their life or marriage, holy.*

*Jeremiah 4: 4 The Lord said, "Lest my wrath go like fire and burn with none to quench it, because of the evil of your doings".*

When man's wickedness goes beyond God's tolerance His wrath destroys everything. Because of the sin, man is committing, his family, society even the whole country will be punished by God himself. Sodom and Gomorrah are good example. Among Christians some are passive about abortions but others oppose very strongly.

The fact is nobody has the right to do abortion even the mother who carries the pregnancy, under any circumstances.

Next-Because of Christ

## Chapter 5

# Because of Christ

*Romans 14: 17 The kingdom of God does not mean, food and drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.*

People have wrong notion regarding the purpose of praying, when you have faith in God. First of all you must be aware that you are a child of God. You must be honest with God in daytime and also in nighttime. Any person who is honest with God will not deceive not only God but also others. When you have faith in God, learn his commandments, and do accordingly, even at the cost of your life. God is telling you to look beyond the materialistic world, which is everlasting. If your hope is limited to this world, you are losing your everlasting life. God's kingdom is eternal where there is no need for any material things like food, drinks or any other, worldly material. The following verses tell you what you should do.

*2 Timothy 3: 12 All those who desire to lead Godly life in Jesus Christ, will be persecuted.*

Don't be alarmed and disappointed by this verse, there is appropriate reward for your suffering, far beyond what you can think.

*1 Timothy 4: 10 For to this end, we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the savior of all people, especially who believe in Christ.*

Your harvest comes from what you sow. If you work hard for money alone, you will make money but will lose eternal life.

***Galatians 6: 8 He who sows to his own flesh will reap corruption from the flesh; but he who sows in spirit will reap, eternal life from the Spirit.***

Your wealth is the ransom for your eternal life. You will lose all your earthly possessions at the end of your life, and you have gained nothing for eternal life. Ultimately you have lost both. How sad it is, when you have accumulated all the wealth of this world, you lost your Eternal Life. If you are **prepared to lose** all your earthly wealth, your eternal life is guaranteed and earthly possessions and spiritual blessings will follow, as a special gift from God. Only according to your need in God's terms; and not according to your desire so long you are on the earth. There is a great differential gap between your need and your desire. God is giving only what you need which can never satisfy your desire.

*Philippians 3: 8 Paul says, "For Christ's sake, I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as refuge"*

*1 Corinthians 15: 19 If you have hoped in Christ for this worldly life, you men must be pitied. {You should not seek God for material benefits. Seek His Heavenly Kingdom first}*

*Hebrew 10: 35 – 39 Do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. You need endurance, so that you may do the will of God, and receive what is promised by God. The righteous one shall live by faith and save their souls by faith.*

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*Deuteronomy 28: 1 If you obey the voice of The Lord God, being careful to do all his commandments and which I command you. The Lord will set you high above all the nations of the earth.*

*Ezekiel 33: 11 The Lord says "I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but the wicked must turn from his way and live; turn back from your evil ways, why you should die".*

*Deuteronomy 28: 2–13 Explains the God's blessings when you obey Him; and verses 15–24 explains the curses of the Lord if you do not obey Him. Now you are aware of almost all the God given secrets of life.*

*Deuteronomy 30: 15 (Sirach 37: 17–18) The Lord said, "You have a choice between the good and the evil, life and death, choose what you like".*

Because of Christ you may suffer, but at the end you will learn, it is worth suffering.

*Mathew 10: 22 The Lord says, "The one who endures to the end will be saved"*

## Chapter 6

# Wisdom

*1 Corinthians 3: 19 For the wisdom of this world is folly with God.*

**What is wisdom?** God has created everything. We understand that some people are more intelligent, and others are not. Yet God himself call some people fools. It is strange, when God does so. Our assessment about the 'intelligence' is wrong. Only we humans can go wrong, and not God. If this is the true what is wisdom? The Bible has all the answers, and that is the truth.

**1) Cleverness** = Cunning, Crafty, Ingenious, Devious, Etc. something special about the meaning of these words are it deviate from what is righteous and true. So you cannot call this wisdom

**2) Intelligence** = Skilled use of brain, application of knowledge, ability to think abstractly, capability to handle challenges, Etc. This is also not exactly wisdom because it lacks righteousness

**3) Wisdom** = Knowledge, having insight, sense of judgment, ability to deal with difficult situation which is acceptable to God. Wisdom leads you through everything in righteous direction. If your knowledge is righteous, that is wisdom, because righteousness is Godly.

Wisdom leads you through everything in righteous direction only. When we hear of wisdom we remember King Solomon. He was the wisest of, God's one of a creation. Nobody has ever born before him, and nobody will be born after him, wiser than him. In God's terms Solomon was an incomparable (uncomparable) king.

His righteousness comes from his honesty and obedience to God's commandments. King Solomon was a special gift to King David for David's loyalty to God. From where King Solomon's wisdom come?

*1 Kings 3: 5-14 When The Lord asked Solomon "What shall I give you"? Solomon answered "You have shown great and steadfast love to my father David because he walked, before You, in faithfulness, in righteousness, and uprightness of heart towards You; and You have given a son to sit on David's throne this day. Lord, I am in the midst of Your people, whom You have chosen, a great people, which cannot be numbered. Give Your servant an understanding mind to govern Your people, that I may discern between good and the evil". The Lord was very pleased by Solomon's request, so The Lord answered. "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself, long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, behold I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that **none like you has been before you and like you shall rise after you.** I also give you what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so **that no other king shall compare with you.** If you walk in my ways keeping my statutes and my commandments, like David, then I will lengthen your days" 1 Kings 3: 5-14 Concludes here.*





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Wisdom is directly connected to righteousness, and it comes from God. If you want to be wise, believe in God and obey God's commandments. If you don't believe in God and obey some of His Commandments, in God's terms you are a fool and not wise.

*James 3: 1 The wisdom above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without uncertainty or insincerity. (Peaceable=Peaceful)*

1 Kings 11th Chapter describes the reason for the downfall of King Solomon, and his punishments by God. What a tragic end he had?

*Proverbs 1: 7 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom*

*Proverb 2: 6 For Lord gives wisdom.*

*Mathew 7: 26 "Everyone who hears my words and do not obey them is a fool".*

*Proverb 1: 7 Fools despise wisdom and instruction.*

*Sirach 6: 37 Reflect on the statutes of the Lord, and meditate at all times on His commandments. It is He who will give insight to your mind, and your desire for wisdom will be granted.*

I presume, the scripture has explained wisdom very well. Now it is easy to know who is a fool and who is a wise man.

## Chapter 7

# Peace

Peace is a heavenly blessing and you can achieve it only from God. To be at peace is a state of mind, of tranquility, free from oppressive thoughts and emotions. You can also achieve peace of mind, by sheer will power and also through mind control, which may not be lasting. Evil forces will influence an ungodly man very easily. Evil forces cannot disturb peace achieved, through your uplift of spiritual elevation, because that has come from God and God protects you.

*Job 22: 21 “Agree with God and be at peace, thereby good will come to you.”*

*1 Corinthians 14: 33 For God is not a God of disorder but of peace.*

*Romans 5: 1 Therefore, since we are justified by faith we have peace with God, through our lord Jesus Christ.*

*John 14: 27 Jesus said, “My peace I give to you; not as the world give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid”.*

*Jeremiah 14: 19–20 We look for peace, but find no good: for a time of healing, there is terror instead. We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you.*

*Isaiah 65: 7 “I will indeed repay in to their laps, their iniquities, and their ancestors iniquities together” says The Lord. (iniquities=Evilness)*

You will suffer, not only because of your sins but also because of the sins, your ancestors have done. Most of the people do not believe this statement is correct. Children inherit their parent’s several good qualities, bad qualities, talents and their wealth, and also diseases. If the children can inherit everything from their parents, they can inherit the curses they have brought in to the family through the sins, their ancestors have done. Even after the ancestors’ death, they and their children continue to suffer, until the fourth generation. If you can’t believe this you don’t have to accept it. The Lord will bless the good to the thousandth generation.

*Mathew 10. 34 Christ has brought a sword, and not peace, for those who loves his father, mother, son and daughter; and he who does not take his own cross and follow, Christ. He who finds his life will loose it.*

Everything, man has loved, more than God, will be turned against him and that will become the cause of his shame and destruction. Take this warning seriously, because word of God never changes.

If you obey His commandments you will have the heavenly peace or you have to face unrest and even terror. People never realize, mishaps are not fate but an outcome of his and his family members’ sins. Human tendency is to overcome the adverse situation without searching for its root cause. **Tragedies, mishaps, failures in business and diseases are the warnings you get, to turn to Jesus and to change the course**

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**of your life.** I can only say these things from my own knowledge and experience based on scripture, but accepting is your part.

The way out is not an easy task. The wounds you have are deep and its pain will be a stumbling block for you to seek God for help.

You must be prepared to loose everything of this world in exchange of the eternal life. That is the testing point. Imagine Abraham's condition when the Lord asked him to sacrifice his only son who was born in his old age? Though I write and practice these, you cannot imagine how much I struggle to cop-up with the scripture. Nothing is easy in this world.

*Deuteronomy 12: 28 The Lord said, "Be careful to obey all these words that I command you, so that it may go well with you, and with your children after you for ever, because you will be doing what is good and right in the sight of the Lord your God."*

*Luke 10: 5 "Whatever house you enter, first say peace to the house, if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on the person; if not it will return to you."*

When you think something is right, it is not right for God. To know what is acceptable to God, you must study the Bible and mere reading will not help you. Far as Christians are concerned, though the scripture tells you to say **peace**, where ever you enter; I have not seen anyone who does it. This is because most of the people don't know it. There are many people, when they make a telephone call, they would wish first and begin their conversation. Once it so happened; one youngster received a call and spoke for a while and later hangs up. He told me, that call was from "Good morning old man" whom I didn't know. That was a good punishment for saying a "Good Morning" If you wish to follow what is said in the scripture, you may have to hear even worst things, be prepared for that also. Always remember that you are the 'Temple of God' and the 'Prince of Peace' is in your heart. Why anything should destroy your peace of mind. Even if the sky falls down nothing will happen to your eternity.

You are precious to the Lord so as others, you don't have to take extra care of anything; The Lord himself is more concerned about you. Everything is His creation and everything belongs to Him and not us, we are only caretakers.

Jesus has already given the peace to you by saying, "My peace I give to you". You have to hang on to it until your last moment of life.

If you don't calm down God cannot inhabit in you. When you put your trust in Him He will stay with you, and then you stay in heavenly peace.

Next-The Gentiles and The Law

## Chapter 8

# The Gentiles & The Law

The term gentile was originally used for non-Jews, which later applied to non-Christians also. What will happen to non-believers, who do not believe in True God, and who do not know the commandments of God? This is a very much tiresome thought for believers, because these gentiles are outnumbered. They are also God's creation, are they all going to be destroyed? God is the greatest genius; He could foresee that non-believers will be much greater in number, than believers. So He made His master plan drawn, much before the beginning of the actual creations itself, how those people should be dealt with.

*Romans 2: 14-16. When gentiles who do not possess the law, do instinctively what the law requires, these, though not having the law, are a law to themselves. They show that what the law requires, is written on their hearts, to which their own conscience also bears witness; and their conflicting thoughts will accuse or perhaps excuse them on the day when, according to Paul's gospel, God, through Jesus Christ, will judge the secret thoughts of all.*

*Ephesians 3: 1 & 6 & 8 Paul says that the gentiles are the reason for his imprisonment. "The gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Jesus Christ through the gospel. Though I am the least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ.*

*Ephesians 2: 12-22 Paul says that at one time Gentiles by birth was without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ, you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Jesus Christ. For He is our peace: in His flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us, (between the Jews and Gentiles) He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in Himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So He came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off, and peace to those who were near: for through Him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you gentiles are no longer strangers and aliens, but are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ Himself as the corner stone. In Him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord: in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place to God. (Ephesians 2: 12-22 concludes here)*

Animals go by instinct, but man who is much-sophisticated creature, goes by his reasoning and sense of judgment. When they do not believe in God, God has implanted in every gentile's heart, what is right and wrong, which they call, as '**conscience**.' When a man's mind tells him, what he has done is wrong, how can he escape the 'Final Judgment'. Because man has already passed the judgment, on him and it stands. Man does every wicked thing, to suit his physical ungodly desires, and justifies it, by saying; believer's law does not apply to them. Man may possess a great deal of worldly knowledge. He is proud of himself and his learning; and he acts and makes commandments above God. This is what has happened to Lucifer. The moment Lucifer thought that he could be above God; he was thrown out of heaven. God have a very

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specific plan about each and every one. By virtue of the vested authority man has from God, he is free to do anything. Man misuses his freedom, and goes away from God's path.

The great philosopher Aristotle said, **“The cultivated and free minded man will so behave as being a law to him.”** A philosopher is in pursuit of true knowledge of nature and principles of moral and esthetic value. What he admits is mere fact. God himself implants this admission of truth in the philosopher's mind. This is a reward, given to a philosopher by God for his sincere and honest pursuit for the truth. Many are going to follow the philosopher's theory and obey God's Law, without their knowledge in God. The Creator has innumerable ways to save his own children's soul. Only few of his plans are revealed to human beings. We are supposed to follow the revealed principles of God, anything beyond that is not within our reach. That is why Jesus said that you have to be like children, so that you can reach eternity easily. If you try to find the root cause and reasons, it will be beyond your capacity to understand. You should know, and follow the things, just needed for your salvation. Paul reveals God's greatest wisdom in the next verses

*Romans 2: 14 - 16 When gentiles who do not possess the law, do instinctively what the law requires, these, though not having the law, are a law to themselves. They show that what the law requires, is written on their hearts, to which their own conscience also bears witness; and their conflicting thoughts will accuse or perhaps excuse them on the day when, according to Paul's gospel, God, through Jesus Christ, will judge the secret thoughts of all.*

God brings each and every one under Final judgment. Ignorance of law does not excuse to any one. Obviously you might ask how severely God is going to punish everyone? God says He is kind and loving! That is why you sing, “God's grace is amazing.” His grace is amazing because He gives generously to the deserving and the undeserving alike. He feeds the wicked and the righteous, alike!!!

He wants to avert your punishments for which he has given you too many chances to escape, why not you make use of it? If you ignore all that, your punishments are going to be severe.

*Jonah 4: 2-4 Jonah said, “I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing”*

You saw God's love on the Cross-, shedding his blood, for the forgiveness of your sins. He is kind because He forgives your sin when you repent. Even otherwise you have no choice but to obey God's Commandment for your own good. If you don't obey, you have to face grave consequences.

Next-Lucifer

## Chapter 9

# Lucifer

Lucifer was an Archangel of God Almighty. He was the most beautiful and mightiest, among God's creations. He was described as 'Day Star', and 'Son of Dawn', but later he acquired the nickname Satan, because of his evilness.

*Isaiah 14: 12–14 The Lord said “How you are fallen from heaven, O day star, son of dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low! You said in your heart, “I will ascend to heaven; above the stars of God I will set my throne on high; I will sit on the mount of assembly in the far north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will make myself like the Most-high”.*

When Lucifer sinned against God in his thoughts he was thrown down from heaven to earth. A huge number of angels also accompanied him. He is so powerful he could even destroy people, often God himself had to intervene to save the lives of people.

*Job 2: 6. The Lord said to Satan, “Behold, Job is in your power; only spare his life”*

Here the Lord tells Satan, not to touch Job's Life. This clearly tells us, that Satan could destroy Job's life on the earth. If one is righteous, God will intervene and prevent Satan from killing a Person.

*Mathew 2: 13-18. An angel appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Get up, take the child, and his mother, and flee to Egypt.”*

Because Lucifer got the power over the earth and man's life, he tried to kill Jesus, by instigating Herod. But Christ was saved by fleeing to Egypt, and was protected by the Holy Spirit. To add their misery during their plight to Egypt through the desert, they were ransacked by a bunch of bandits headed by a youngster. Since the thieves could not find anything valuable with the travelers, the leader got angry and decided to kill the little one. But, by seeing the grace on the face of the baby child, the thief was moved and spared Jesus' life. Here you can see a conflicting thought flashing through the dacoit's mind. The first one was to kill the infant Jesus. Satan forced this thought in to his mind.

Basically the thief had some good qualities. He has robbed several people; at the same time he helped many poor people. In the corner of his heart he had some kindness. The power of the evil that came in to his mind, was overpowered by the Holy Spirit, and prevented him from killing the Child. Probably infant Jesus who knew everything that was happening must have laughed in his mind saying, “Little thief you don't know me, I am the one who created you long back, even if you want to kill me now you cannot, I have a lot of things to do, besides ‘My’ time to die hasn't come yet”.

*Mathew 4: 8 Lucifer tempted Christ, by showing Him all kingdoms of the world and the glory of them and said to Him. “All these I will give you, if you fall down and worship me”* The Lord drove him away by the Word of God.

*Mathew 4: 10 The Lord said, “Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.”*  
{Mathew 4: 8 Describes Satan's power over the earth and over the people}



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There are many people who worship Satan, round the globe. They have their own churches. Don't be surprised; financially, Satan worshippers are doing very well, but the final victory is for the Lord, Satan worshippers will lose their battle and eternal life.

*Mathew 8: 23-27 While Jesus was crossing the sea in a boat, he was swamped by huge waves, to kill him by Satan. But Jesus rebuked the storm and saved Himself and His disciples.*

Why Satan had to try so much to kill Jesus - The answer is simple, just to foil the crucifixion, so that salvation scheme can be destroyed.

*Isaiah 14: 16-17 "Is it not Satan who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms, who made the world like a desert, and overthrew its cities, who did not let his prisoners go home" Satan held spirits as prisoners, and prevented them from going to their eternal home.*

*Luke 13: 10-13 Jesus freed a woman, from an evil spirit of infirmity, who could not straighten herself for eighteen years. {Satan is strong enough to make people sick and to keep them in bondage}*

*Revelation 12: 7-9 Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they were defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven, and the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil, Satan the deceiver of the whole world, he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.*

*Revelation 20: 2-3 An angel seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, which is the devil and the Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, and threw him in to the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him. For 1000 years he will remain there.*

This is yet to happen. During these thousand years there will be a total peace on the earth, and innumerable souls will be saved.

*Revelation 20: 5 This is the first resurrection.*

Within these thousand years period Satan will not repent for what he has done. If Satan ever repents for what he does and asks for forgiveness, it is certain that the Lord will forgive. But the prophecy is Satan will not repent, so he will be destroyed in the end. Judas who betrayed Jesus was too ashamed to ask Jesus for forgiveness, so Judas punished himself for his mistakes, where by he broke the sixth commandment also, "You shall not kill." Judas killed himself, by imposing his own punishment.

*Revelation 20: 7-10 But Satan will be free from bondage after thousand years. He will deceive the nations which are at four corners of the earth, that is Gog, and Magog, to gather them for battle, their number is like the sand of the sea. And they marched up over the broad earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city; but fire came down from heaven and consumed them. And the Devil who had deceived them was thrown in to the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and false prophets were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.*





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*Mathew 25: 41 Then Christ will say, "Depart from me you cursed, in to the eternal fire prepared for the devil, and his angels"*

The Lord sends all the evil men and Satan and his followers on the Day of Judgment, in to the eternal fire. It will be foolish for anyone to think, that once they have become a Christian, or if they carry a cross along with them in a chain or a ring, they will be safe from the devil? No. To protect you from Satan you must live up to the standards laid down in the scripture. As a result you will become a God's child. Then you must pray to God to equip you with the armor of God to fight against Satan. Anything ungodly is satanic: if you try to list those ungodly things down, that will be too long.

*Psalms 138: 2 "God has placed His name and His word above everything." {Only Jesus and His precious blood can protect you from Satan; depend on Jesus and no one else}*

### **The end of the world**

*2 Peter 3: 7 By the same Word, the heavens and the earth that now exist, have been stored up for fire, being kept until the 'Day of Judgment' and destruction of the ungodly.*

*2 Peter 3: 10 The heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and its works that are upon it will be burned up On the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be kindled and dissolved, & the elements will melt with fire.*

*Isaiah 66:15 – 16 Behold, the Lord will come, in fire, and his chariots like storm wind, to render His anger in fury, and His rebuke with flames of fire. For by fire will the lord execute Judgment, and by His sword, upon all flesh; and those slain by the lord shall be many.*

*Isaiah 66: 22–24 "The new heavens and the new earth I will make shall remain before me" says The Lord; so shall your descendants and your name remain. From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come," says The Lord. "Those who have rebelled against me; for their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched, and they shall be abhorrence to all flesh".*

Often people will say, 'if this world has just ended' how many of them know that the world is going to end in this way, as it is said in the Bible. If they ever know, how frightening that would be they would never dare to say that. Several earthquakes, tsunami, and cyclones that have swept many houses and people away, has just warned the people that this earth is no more safe as they thought. Though the human's life span is 60 -- 70, for many reasons many are not going to reach their normal end, just because of their evilness. With this terrifying end of this world, the entire mankind has to face the final judgment, whereby the righteous will go to their eternal home. The evil men and the devil with his army will be thrown in to the everlasting fire and destruction. You just happened to read this in the right time, this is your last chance, tomorrow will never come, and you won't get a chance to repent and save yourself. Do it now or you will never make it.



## Chapter 10

# Power of darkness in our Life

Man has to confront

- 1) Animals and many other deadly creatures.
- 2) Other human beings and human beings influenced by evil spirits
- 3) The invisible evil spirits.
- 4) God

1) Animals and creatures are no more a great threat to human beings. Men have enough knowledge to protect him from them. For several of poisonous creature's bites and viruses, men have found antidote.

2) From the time of Cain onwards men fight and kill each other. Man itself has done more number of killings among themselves. The total number of people killed in wars and civil wars and in other situations will be countless.

3) The invisible devils and evil-spirits instigate men to do all kinds of wicked things.

4) Man is under close watch of the Heavenly Father. He is kind and forgives anyone who repents, but for others who does not obey and do not repent, the punishments are severe and transferred to them up to the fourth generation, and up to seven folds. Though this is in the scripture, some people disagree to this. You may goby what you choose.

Man has to bear God's punishments for his sins, other people's persecution and the sufferings stimulated by evil spirits. The saddest part is man does not recognize these three. He thinks that other people are giving him trouble, because of his fate.

People who do not fear God and does not obey Him are under constant influence of evil spirits, about which they themselves are not aware of. It may be very difficult to recognize, how Lucifer and his army is operating in this world. Only through heavenly wisdom and revelations, it can be understood. If this is explained more clearly, one must have the ability to recognize the evil Spirit, with the help of Holy-Spirit. Satan worshippers can easily recognize their people but every Christian is unable to recognize the evil spirits, unless that person has grown spiritually very much. The whole world is under Satan's grip. Even though Satan knew who Jesus was Satan did not give up a chance to confront the Almighty God. Immediately after forty days of fasting, Jesus was physically tired, that was the time Satan chose to tempt Jesus. You must always keep yourselves physically and mentally strong to resist the devil. Do you think Satan will spare you? No. He and his army is everywhere and with every one, and make use of all opportunities to make man to do unholy things, so that man will not reach the Kingdom of God. Only Scripture can give you the Knowledge to deal with the devil. Fasting and praying is good to resist devil, but make sure that your physical health is not drained out. Keep yourself physically, mentally and spiritually strong so that you will be able to resist the devil. (Body, mind & spirit makes the man whole)

*Ephesians 2: 2-3 Once you lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the sky, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature, children-- of (God's) wrath, like everyone else.*

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(Power of the sky = Lucifer, otherwise known as Stan, Former Arch Angel)

*2 Corinthians 4: 4 The God of this world (Satan) has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the Light of the gospel of the Glory of Christ, who is the image of God.*

*2 Corinthians 11: 14 Even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.*

Satan operates in disguise, to mislead and blind the people, so that they will not understand gospel and attain freedom from the devil. Mostly Satan operates among people as if he does not exist. He is capable of appearing before men in any form or shape, from most beautiful angel to most weird and wild looking creature. Usually you will find him in all forms among Satan worshippers. Those followers are trained in such a way, so that they can see, communicate, worship, and also get things done by evil spirits. If you do anything that displeases Satan, you will be persecuted, and even get killed easily.

### Titanic

The greatest luxury ship of the time named as 'Titanic' was a builder's pride and intellectual capability of the designer's, and White-star line Company's exposition of wealth. A ship thought to be un-sinkable, has underestimated the nature's unseen strength. On April 12, 1912 at midnight Titanic set sailed for its dooms day. It started from Southampton, England. The ship carried mostly rich people and some immigrants to USA. The ship had a maximum running speed of 45 KM/Hr was a great feature. With 2223 human beings on board while passing through Newfoundland of Canada on 14th April midnight met its end when it was struck with a huge-iceberg and got split.

It took nearly two hours for Titanic to sink to the bottom of the sea and it carried 1517 lives and leaving behind 706 mostly women and children with the nightmares of the mishap. That was the moment for a handful of people who realized that they are closer to God and they sang, "Nearer my God to thee" which emphasized its mighty meaning and making that Hymn most unforgettable.

That was the way the ship was destined. May be because they depended on technology and man's brainpower rather than God's mercy. Recently (April 2005) History channel telecasted the mystery behind the smashing of Titanic Ship. It was no doubt that the ship hit on a huge iceberg and got split. Several things went wrong in that voyage from the beginning.

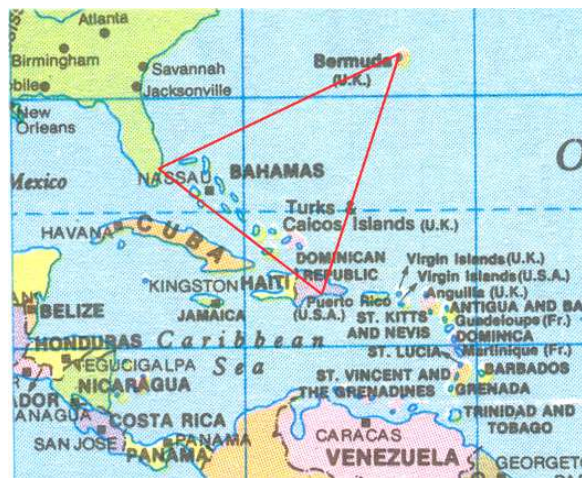
During the collision of the ship with the iceberg, the ship was at an uncontrollable speed; rather the ship was out of control of the captain, for unknown reasons. They knew there were icebergs, and the ship was sailing at a real low speed, but what made the ship to run fast, at the time of collision, remained as a mystery. The channel explains further, that the ship was carrying a mummy. It was the curse of the mummy that made the ship to wreck.

Innumerable people, who did the excavations and research on mummies have died mysteriously. There is no doubt that several evil spirits do accompany those mummies. Don't try to stick your head in the devils den and try to get smart.

If you make any attempt to evict, or experiment with strong evil spirits, your end will be disastrous unless God tells you to do such things. You cannot do anything to them, because God has given them certain time & power, until then they are free, you can evict them from your house but cannot destroy or bind them.

All you can do is pray to the Lord for their eviction from your house. Only your prayer is your protection.

## Bermuda Triangle



What is the mystery behind Bermuda Triangle? Boats, ships, submarines, and aircrafts trying to cross this place simply disappear without any trace. Finally it was found that innumerable restless evil spirits haunted those areas, destroying everything that tried to pass through. These restless spirits are of the Africans, caught as slaves, and were transported through this ocean.

The uncontrollable, wild and seriously sick slave people were thrown in to this part of the sea and were killed. Recently several spirit saving prayers were conducted and many of them came to rest.

If you draw a line from [1] Miami-Florida to [2] Porto-Rico, [3] and Bermuda as shown in the map, it will create a triangle. This is called 'Bermuda-Triangle'.

Of course this is an imaginary line to show the disastrous area. There are many mysteries not solved. These kinds of stories are telecasted through the History TV channel frequently. One explanation is given in the previous page. People believe that if some after death ritual and rites are conducted; the souls may find peace. If it is an unnatural death, the situation is more difficult. We can find the very truth of this, only when people are dead. Since the dead don't communicate with us we don't know their real condition. You may take a chance of doing some prayers for the dead. There are several people who dispute this theory of praying for the dead, if you don't agree forget about it and follow what you believe.



## Count Dracula



In Rumanian language, Dracula means son of a dragon or son of a devil. The word Dracula is used as a pronoun here. 'Count Dracula' is the name of the main character and name of an English novel. When people hear the word Dracula, they think it means Vampire of the mythology. The word Vampire means 'a dead person believed to have come from grave' at night to suck the blood from the living people. There are some bats in South America that feed on blood from animals as well humans, they are also called vampire. The cult or faith of vampire is called 'Vampirism'.



'Count Dracula' novel will remain as one of the top classics for many years to come. "Bram Abraham Stoker" wrote this novel in 1897. He was born in Dublin, Ireland in 1847 and died in 1912.

The reason for the fame of Dracula novel is; it deals with the mystery, and that mystery always will remain unsolved. Count Dracula the main character has been dead for several centuries, but he was kept alive as a vampire through books. Bram Stoker did not create this novel out of his wild imagination.

There is a Historical background for the story of this novel. Bram Stoker got the theme from a medieval ruler, of North of Turkish Empire. His name was VLAD DRACULA who was born in 1431 in Transylvania. He was a Rumanian Christian. During Vlad Dracula's study in Turkey he became interested in Turkish cruelty technique of *impalement*. This is by driving a stake through the midsection of the body avoiding the vital organs and then anchoring the stake to the ground, allowing a slow painful and dreadful death. At the time of impalement, vital organs are avoided to prolong death time of the victim otherwise he may die fast. In 1456, Vlad Dracula assumed the throne and he was known as *the Impaler*. Impalement is just equivalent and another form of execution like crucifixion. He did this torturing death to the victims of his own people and also to his enemies for his political gain; at the same time he enjoyed this cruelty of as an extreme of sadism. He also used to drink human blood. Once he lost his crown and then he regained it, and later he got killed in a Turkish war.

He was buried in a Bucharest monastery. In 1931, when his tomb was subjected to excavations, his body was found missing. His body might have disappeared on the very night he was buried. Such a person's body cannot rest in a monastery, where prayers are conducted day and night. The other evil spirits must have helped to move Vlad Dracula's body in to an unknown destination of a devils den.

This theory made some people to think of his immortality and try to reach Vlad Dracula. The Bible establishes the existence of such evil spirits. The fact is, 'at this period of time' nobody can destroy the evil spirits. God has given them a definite time, until then they are free to do, what they like. If you lead a holy life they cannot do anything to you, provided you call upon God constantly for your protection from Him.

One Cathy and Dale in USA, who later moved to Minnesota, claim their longstanding association with Vlad Dracula. They say, even after many years of their association with



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Vlad Dracula, everything goes well with them. Today there are several people who drink human blood.

One Catrina Coffey in U. S. A; used to drink blood from childhood, though she started accidentally, she continued to do it, in pursuit of Vampire. This kind of self proclaimed vampire's nature is quite shocking; they love darkness but don't fear sunshine. They decorate their homes with bones and skulls, and looks like a burial place and they sleep in expensive coffins!! The theories and remedies of facing vampires and evil spirits, known to us are not authentic, they are outdated and foolish.

Some of the false beliefs: --

- 1) It is not impossible for vampires to see the sunlight. Though they love darkness very much, they can move with the public in broad daylight freely, just like anybody else.
- 2) Garlic, cross signs, and wooden stakes do not frighten them. They have cross signs to wear, and use garlic with their food. Ancient Romans used an upright stake with a transverse beam, for execution purpose, and they called it a cross. For Satanic people cross is not a divine thing, and crucifixion is an entertainment.
- 3) It is not necessary that they should wear black robes; they can appear in dazzling white dress.
- 4) They don't have to be seen with a fierce appearance; they can be seen in the most beautiful form.
- 5) They don't have to appear in the form of jet-black colored fierce looking animals; they can appear as angels in super white color.
- 6) They have no allergy to see their own image in a mirror.
- 7) A self proclaimed Vampire, do not have any fang or long sharp teeth as seen in the movies.
- 8) Once this dramatic-Vampire is dead, his body cannot be brought back to life, such stories are hoax. Only his evil spirit can influence another human being.
- 9) Modern vampires are killed with Golden-bullets in movies.

Now the concept you had about the vampires or evil spirits may have been all turned upside down. These previous theories were good to make movies. In a real attack of the devil, he can do all kinds of frightening things, destruction of properties and houses, making wounds and bruises including killing. When a man physically die, (his body becomes dead) so as his mind. His spirit survives, depending on his involvement of his life on the earth, either his spirit will rest, or turn in to evil spirit. These spirits remains somewhere yonder, until The Day of Judgment, either for eternal life or eternal destruction. True believers work hard to save their spirit, so that it can attain eternal life rather than destruction.

### **Man have a**

Body                      Mind                      Spirit

Before Adam has sinned, man's spirit could reach God and had constant companionship with God. When they sinned against God, Adam and Eve became spiritually dead, and lost their spiritual connection and fellowship with God. It may be interesting to know, how satanic people operate. When a man desires, to travel in spirit, it can be done with the help of an evil spirit. You have to put only little effort to obtain an evil spirit. They are easily available, because they are always looking for customers to do their business. Once a man has obtained an evil spirit, he could do witchcraft and all such related activities,

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and it is next to impossible to get out of the devil's grip. Traveling in spirit is known as Astral Projection 'or' Bi-location.

With the help of evil spirit man's spirit can travel so as with the help of Holy Spirit also.

- 1) Spirit Channeling (directly communicating with evil spirit)
- 2) Use Ouiji board, (also used to communicate with spirit)
- 3) Tarot card; forecasting future with picture cards.

All these are strictly forbidden by the word of God. Those satanic people can move around the church very much and they are thorough with the Bible. Their aim of visit to the Church is to recruit people for their own purposes. They will misinterpret the Bible like Satan did to Jesus.

They wear cross and don't fear to wear them, because for them cross is an execution symbol, they proclaim, Christ is dead, not resurrected. Several churches do not give importance to cross. They give importance to crucifixion, and they don't use cross sign at all. Whom are you going to trust? (Your father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, any member of the same family, any one in the society, priest, nun, pastor, policeman any one can be Satan's agent. They can be a satanic worshipper or a Satanic Priest. You are living in a frightening world. After reading this, it is certain that you are going to land in nightmares.

*Job 1: 6. One day heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord and Satan also came among them. (Satan could go anywhere)*

If you cannot identify each soul and spirit you will be in big trouble. Regardless who the other people are, no matter what relationship you have with them, under normal conditions you cannot know the evil intentions they have. Anybody could betray you. Don't you see in the news media that children are given for sacrifice, to get treasure, by their own parents? Children are easy to handle and can be taken easily by giving them drugs, for human sacrifice. Drugs are easily available, even a couple of sleeping pills can do the work. Why people do these kinds of things; for glamour, mighty magical power, wealth, political gains and power in the society, to destroy enemies, immoral activities and immortality. Do they achieve all these? To some extent they might win, but not forever. They can never get final victory and immortality. The end of the "Children of the Nights and darkness" Will be in the fire of Hades. These people can never reach the Kingdom of God.

There is no other God who sacrificed himself for the salvation of the mankind. Here the devil is sacrificing human beings, for their benefits and pleasure.

*John 10: 11 Jesus said "I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep"*

*Mathew 25: 41 Christ will say, "Depart from me you cursed, in to the eternal fire prepared for the devil, and his angels."*

Listen to what Christ said about the devil. The Lord sends all the evil men on the Day of Judgment, along with Satan, in to the eternal fire. You can divide everything in this whole world into two, one belongs to God and the other belongs to Satan. There is no in-between. Everything unholy belongs to Satan.



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Another difficult part is your inability to forgive; this is one of the powerful weapons Satan has got great leverage. Satan will tell you, “If you forgive, or don’t retaliate, then people will think that you are a coward. You have money, position, and influence, why you should give up, you must teach him a good lesson, so that he will not do these kinds of things to anybody else.” You get all kinds of prestige issue thoughts, and finally your emotions will be driven high, and you will take the worst kind of revenge on your enemy. Satan makes you angry to such extreme extend until you commit sin.

Satan has won the game when you started a never-ending battle with your people.

*Ephesians 4:26-27 Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil.*

Usually many people approach warlocks and witches and do evil things, so that the opponent can be destroyed by the invisible Satan’s power. You are led into their traps without your knowledge. People do not think that the Lord is capable of protecting them, so they go for black magic to take revenge and for their own protection. They want some immediate visual results. If they call upon God when they want to resolve their problem, they may not get immediate help, because He would act only at His right time. God cannot help professional Satan worshippers. Indirect worshippers are those who go for ungodly things with Satan worshippers. If he needs God’s help, he must give up all ungodly things first, then disown Satan, and finally surrender before Jesus accepting Him as the only Savior.

Though you have done all evil things, when you repent, God will be kind enough to accept you, like the prodigal son who returned to his father, but that must be a sincere repentance.

If you continue to disobey God and ask for God’s help at your convenience, you won’t get any help from Him. You have to go through all the conditions set by the Lord. Today Christians have drowned in astrology, auspicious time, horoscope, witchcraft, palmistry, spirit channeling, black magic and all kinds of evil practices, which are forbidden in the scripture.

### Ouiji Board (Read as veeji Board)



Ouiji Board



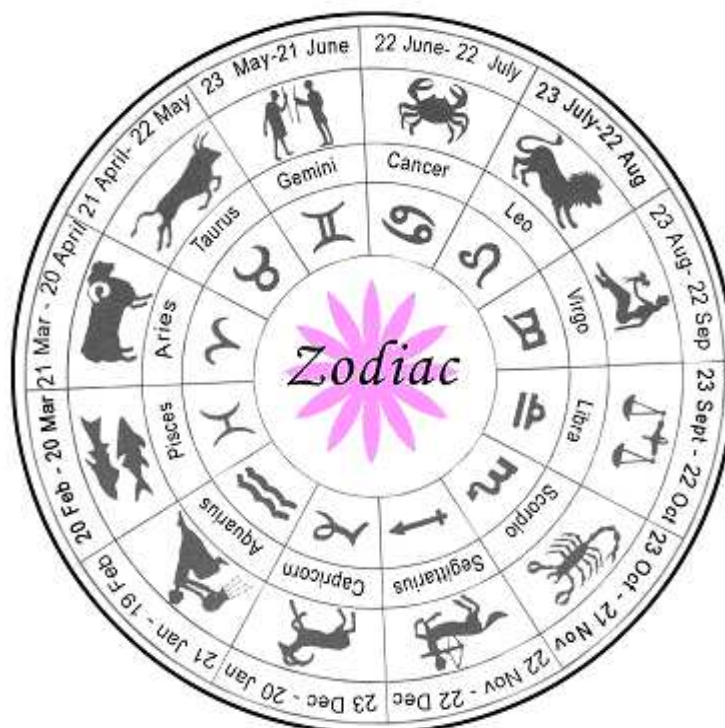
Real Spirit Channeling

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*Deuteronomy 18 10–13 “Don’t let anyone try to control others with magic, don’t let them be mediums or try to talk with spirits or dead people”. The Lord hates anyone who does these things, and provoking him to anger. You must be innocent in the presence of The Lord.*

Use of Ouiji board is strictly for bidden, because with the aid of this board they are channeling spirits. As it is shown in the top board, letters are displayed. Apply very small quantity of talcum powder on it and place the oval shaped slide board on it. This slide board has a fairly large hole in it, to see the letters through it, when it comes over any letters on the board; this answers your questions. At the end of the slide board a person will put their finger and call upon their spirit. There are many kinds of slide boards in use.

Usually people put their fingers on it, even one might do the work I guess, I have not seen it and I never tried it, and will not try it. People who has experienced told me this. They keep their finger on it and ask the spirit what ever they want to know. As the spirit answer their questions; the slide board will move by the power of the spirit and will stop on each alphabet. When you read the alphabets, you get the answer to your questions. They have to keep the fingers on the slide board without any relaxation, until the whole thing is over. (Ouiji board -- read as weeji board, Refer Dictionary)



Zodiac

*Indo-western combined form of Zodiac*



Identical to Zodiac system of the west and Europe, in India they also use twelve divisions and same signs named in regional languages. Indian system happened to be in squares and the Zodiac is in circle. This Indian square can be easily converted to the circle system of the Zodiac.

Now you can see that if the Zodiac is put in the square, that doesn't make any difference. This combined chart will tell how a WESTERN can look in to an EASTERN and an EASTERN can look in to a WESTERN chart. This Indian system is widely used in the southern part of India. Twelve divisions are further divided in to twenty-seven stars, which they call as 'BIRTHDAY STARS'. According to the scripture all these are forbidden.

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Letters in italics are the Indian names of Zodiac

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| <i>Kumbham</i><br>21 Jan-19<br>Feb<br><b>Aquarius</b>  |                                                        |                                                     | <i>Karkidakam</i><br>22Jun-22<br>July<br><b>Cancer</b> |
| <i>Makaram</i><br>23 Dec-20<br>Jan<br><b>Capricorn</b> |                                                        |                                                     | Chingom<br>23 july-22<br>Aug<br><b>Leo</b>             |
| <i>Dhanu</i><br>22 Nov-22<br>Dec<br><b>Sagittarius</b> | <i>Vruchikam</i><br>23 Oct-<br>21Nov<br><b>Scorpio</b> | <i>Tulaam</i><br>23 Sept-<br>22 Oct<br><b>Libra</b> | <i>Kanni</i><br>23 Aug-22<br>Sept<br><b>Virgo</b>      |

> Astrologer's place <

Zodiac is defined as, an imaginary belt in the sky or heavens. Anyway this is not in the third heaven where God is enthroned; it is in the first heaven where, all the stars are situated. The zodiac system encompasses all the principal planets (except Pluto) has the ecliptic as its central line and it is divided in to twelve constellations. These signs are taken for astrological purposes. This system is widely used all over the world, including in India. If you know your date of birth, then you can find your Zodiac sign also.

Every magazine and weekly publishes their kind of forecasts. Though books are easily available for detailed study and references, it is not permitted for the believers.

**Tarot Card**

These are picture cards with the performer's favorite Gods. This may be selected blindfold, or by the use of birds or some trained animals (some use rats). Looking at the picture they tell your future and what ever they feel. In India small parrots are widely used for this purpose. In Southern part of India they use a square type column, which is also divided in to twelve. Twenty-seven star systems is the basic. Astrological calendars publish the position pf the stars and their changes, which will be written in this column at the time of astrological scrutiny of horoscope or any other question for an answer. They use small seashells and roll it on a board, with dedicated chanting to their favorite Gods and grab the shells and count it. They divide the total number of shells with twelve, and come to a number twelve or less than twelve.

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They count the columns with this remainder and place a large shell in the column. Then the astrologer looks at the aspects and influences of each stars based in the stars seen in the related columns.

### Catholic Church and Exorcism

On February 19, 2005 Manorama daily Idian-newspaper published, on its 16th, Page: -- Catholic Church in Rome is starting a new university program on Exorcism, in Pontifical University, Regina Apostle Rome. Their aim is to identify the possessed people and people having mental problem for healing treatment, through prayers and medicine. The reason to start this program is, Italian police have reported innumerable cases of witchcraft offences.

If they are going to produce a few hundred people every year to deal with this menace this is not going to help, on a global basis. This knowledge should be available to every person in the world, and it should not be confined to Christians alone. Besides this does not end with one time operation, you have to protect yourself from the devil until your dying day. Such prayer should be exercised in every day. The church people can do once in a while, rest of the time you must continue to resist the devil. Refer, "Vachanolvasam Magazine" Published by Divine Retreat Center; Kerala state: March, 2005, Book 19, Edition 4, Page 15. Fr. Thomas Ambattukuzy V. C, Says Catholic bishops and priests are the only authorized people to rebuke and outcast evil spirits. As I understand according to the Bible, any believer can rebuke evil spirit. The magazine refers the Bible, Luke 10:19, and Mark 16: 17.

Though what he says is Biblically correct. I assume the Church may have the authority to forbid any laymen from doing such spiritual work in another house other than his own, unless the church authorizes him. There may not be any written rules in favor of the laymen to practice exorcism in another house. Under no circumstances you should take any help, from the gentiles for exorcism other than believers. Once you do it, you have become the slave to the devil. They rebuke a spirit with another powerful one.

If any believer does this God will forsake him, because he has violated Gods First commandment by going for other god's help, and finally you will not get anybody's help from any Gods. People also wear all protective devices made by sorcerers; this is also prohibited through His Commandments.

### *Objects under spell*

- (1) Fetish: An object believed to have magical power
- (2) Talisman: An engraved object to produce magical effect.
- (3) Amulet: A small object, worn as a charm against evil.
- (4) Rings with special stones and bangles embedded with Elephant - tail-hair are used by some people to protect them from fear, in India.
- (5) You can also see black-knotted threads and several ornamental lockets made of gold and silver, having copper plates concealed in it.

These concealed copper plates are under spell created by sorcerers with their magical writings are widely used by Indian men and women, even among Indian Christians. All these things are of same category, and should not be worn by any believers. These are



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part of witchcraft. They are devoted to other gods, and are under spell. People think, these things can protect them against any evil attacks.

***Hebrews 4: 16 Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.***

You have no other place or God to go, but only Jesus. Surrender everything to the Lord and pray for His mercy and protection. Once you have become the slave to the devil you cannot come out of it easily. They rebuke a spirit with another powerful one.

You must rebuke and cast the evil spirits out of your house, or any place you have his trouble in the name of Jesus Christ, as often as one or two times a day. You must continue to do it without any failure, just like you have your family prayers everyday. For any reason you should not wear and do any unholy things, you must stay sanctified. You don't have to be mistaken that, only a preacher, pastor, or a priest has the authority to evict evil spirits. Let them do what they are supposed to do. When they pray the evil spirits do go away, but not forever. Be aware that these cast-out spirits will come back with many more powerful evil spirits.

*Mathew 12: 43-45 When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it wanders through waterless region looking for a resting place, but it finds none. Then he will say, "I will return to my house from which I came. When it comes, it finds it empty, swept, and put in order. Then it goes and brings along seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and live there; and the last state of that person is worse than the first. So will it be also with this evil generation"*

You too have the same authority to drive any evil spirit out of any place you wish. Those spirits will, try to come back with more power to overcome you. You must be prepared to confront them with the powerful word of God. You have no authority to drive them to a place you indicate; only the Lord have the authority to do it. You must command in the name of Jesus to leave you. You are well protected by the precious Blood of Jesus shed at Calvary. Most of the Christians do not know that they can drive the evil spirit out. Stand firm and courageously in the name of Jesus, those evil spirits will flee. The following two verses give man, domain over the evil powers.

*Luke 10: 18-19 Jesus said, "I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over the power of the enemy (evil spirit): and nothing will hurt you."*  
People having strong faith in Christ can do this.

*Mark 16: 17 Jesus said, "These signs will accompany those who believe in 'Me' using my name, they will cast out demons."*

Here, your Faith is the backbone of your Power

In a well-organized manner Satan and his worshippers are operating all over the world. Where the witchcraft is powerfully practiced, they have to use even human blood and human sacrifices.

They have to drink that human blood to possess the evil spirits and to please the demons. There is no area where, Satan does not interfere, even in holy places like churches, Convents, seminaries, places of pilgrimage, hospitals, schools and hostels are among them. All these places are controlled, and occupied by evil spirits. Evil spirits in one way

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or another can control priests, preachers, government and nongovernmental officials, scholars, employees of all categories, politicians, rich and poor people. Those who fall in Satan's trap cannot get out easily. Satan influences and encourages adultery, sexual perversions and quarrels, killings, outside marriage sexual relationships, addictions, crimes, and violation of all commandments of God. Like God's people surrender their heart, mind and spirit before Jesus; satanic people do the same before Satan. Several of satanic, Dracula and vampire horror movies are only one side of their reality. When you learn more about them, you will know real happenings are a lot worse than of those movies. Indian mythological stories are more comfortable in relation to satanic activities.

Real happenings are a lot worse. Instead of the Holy mass believers have; satanic people have Black mass.

### **Adam and Eve**

Adam and Eve had the closest relationship with God in the beginning, even at that time Satan persuaded Adam and Eve, to disobey God's commandment.

*Genesis 3: 4-5 The serpent told the woman, "You would not die, for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So Eve took the fruit and ate some and gave the rest to Adam.*

Among wild animals Serpent was craftier. So Satan chose serpent to do his job. How the serpent could talk? Serpent is not a talking creature; the only creature that could talk is man. Satan is a spirit, he got in to the serpents body and he spoke through the serpent; rather the snake was possessed by Satan. For lending the snake's body to Satan, the serpent was cursed; probably the serpent never realized that Satan was utilizing the serpent. If Adam and Eve ever asked God who the serpent was, they could easily recognize the serpent, with the help of the Holy Spirit. Without thinking of what God has told them. Adam and Eve just considered the advantage after eating the fruit, and they ate it. Satan succeeded in his attempt, and Adam and Eve fell in his trap, and lost Eden forever. This is what happens to us, Satan could possess us, or he could influence our thoughts. He could instigate us to do unholy things or make us disobey God's commandments. Satan will not spare any one. All Christians have to give importance to this aspect -- and pray accordingly and resist, any Anti- Christ activities

When Jesus was preaching, not only He healed the sick but He also drove the evil spirits from the people, who possessed them. His followers also did the same thing.

*Isaiah 47: 13-14 The Lord said, "Let those who study the sky those who tell the future by looking at the stars and the new moons let them save you from what is about to happen to you. But they are like straw; fire will quickly burn them up. They cannot save themselves from the power of fire"*

*Deuteronomy 18: 10-13 "Don't let anyone try to control others with magic, don't let them be mediums or try to talk with spirits or dead people". The Lord hates anyone who does these things, provoking Him to anger. You must be innocent in the presence of The Lord.*



**Due to false zeal of devotion, without Godly wisdom, most of the Church practices are purpose devised. Based on superstitious beliefs, vanity, ego, & superiority and authority complex; they generate material profit for the church and leads to degeneration of the spiritual benefit.**

It is important that you must study the scripture, and follow that. Nobody will be able to analyze your spiritual need and guide you, throughout your life. When you drive evil spirits out the most important thing you have to remember is; Satan and each one in his army have two great disadvantages.

(1) Satan cannot read your mind and know your thoughts, but he can give you ideas and subjects for your thinking. He can understand you only through your activities and through your visible and audible communications.

(2) He can be only in one place at a time, one devil cannot be everywhere at the same time. He has to finish one thing at a time and have to go to another place. In spite of these great disadvantages he is operating very much successfully. Innumerable spirits can be haunted in one person, so don't reach to a conclusion very fast, that all evil-spirits have left in your first attempt of exorcism.

Some spirits are very strong, more than one person will have to join together to evict such evil spirits, depending on their strength. It might take a long period of time in some cases. Taking advantage of the first setback Satan has, when you rebuke him and cast him out, you must say that loudly so that he can get the message through hearing; otherwise Satan cannot obey you, because he cannot read your mind. God is everywhere, and He knows the thoughts of every man, nothing is unknown to Him, if you keep praying in your mind, God will know it, not Satan.

Following is the abstract from the first Chapter "Our Father" Jesus has taught the disciples to pray, at their own request. If you read it carefully then you will understand, this prayer deals with everything a man need. See the importance of everything, Jesus has shown, through this small prayer.

(8) Jesus said pray, "Lead us not in to temptation."

*Mathew 26: 41 Jesus said, "Stay awake and pray, that you may not come into the time of trial." {Trial=Temptation}*

*James 1: 12-15 The Lord said, "Blessed is the one who stood the temptation; he will receive the crown of life. God does not tempt anyone and God himself cannot be tempted. One is tempted by his own desire, being lure and enticed by it. Desire gives birth to sin, and sin gives birth to death."*

Through self-control by the word of God, bridle your desires, and don't commit sin.

Temptations will be there, but you will not be led in to it, provided you pray for your protection. The Lord will be with you to lead you out of it.

Jesus said, pray "deliver us from the evil"

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*Ephesians 6: 10–11 Be strong in The Lord, and in His might, put on The Whole Armor of the Lord, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles (Lure or bait) of the devil.*

Only “The word of God” can protect you from the devil. Jesus has shown the example, how to rebuke and drive Satan away. You have to follow what Jesus has taught you.

*Isaiah 41: 10. The lord said, “Fear not I am with you, and be not dismayed, I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.”*

This is God’s promise, why do you have to fear Satan, or any other evil sprit, be confident in Jesus, He will protect you.

*John 8: 43-44. Jesus said, “You cannot accept my word, because you are from your father, the devil.”*

If your father is not a devil, you will accept the word of God, and you will obey Jesus.

Following is this picture is not of a killer warrior of the 11th century Crusade or a Roman soldier. He is the symbolic representation of a New-Testament Christian. As you read the following you will understand.

What he wears is the "Armor of the Lord" because your fight is not with flesh and blood.

***Ephesians 6:12. We wrestle not against the flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual powers of evil in the heavenly world.***



(Your fight is against the evil powers only. So you must prepare yourself with the following armor)

***Ephesians 6: 14-17. Fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these take the shield of faith, which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Holy Spirit, which is “The Word of God.”***

I hope you don’t need a translation and explanation of the above verses.

Chapter 11

## Tell No One

Christ's mission was to lay the foundation for the Kingdom of God on the earth, under the new covenant. People expected the coming of a Savior as an emperor, which they didn't see. Their imagination was, "The King of Kings", The Lord of Lord Himself, would come with all the glory, to establish a Kingdom on the earth. Even today, most of the people do not know what is the meaning of Kingdom of God? The Bible gives its definition, which is a kingdom of the eternal & not of this world.

*Romans 14: 17 "The kingdom of God does not mean food and drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit."*

The people did not know under what authority Joseph & Miriam's son, performed several miracles which they questioned. It was almost impossible to accept and recognize Him as the Son of God the king of kings, though it was prophesied, that Messiah would come. As a part of Jesus' mission, he healed all kinds of sick people. When Jesus healed innumerable sick people; to several of them He told, not to tell any one, about their healing. Why such an instruction was given? God did not want to heal every one, but only the chosen and deserving ones. Though who ever came to Him was healed, He determined some limit to it, so He said to them "Tell no one," rather not to give any publicity at that time. Even then there was enough publicity. {Isaiah 6: 9-10 Mark 4: 12 is stated below, will answer your questions}

*Mathew 12:15-16 Many people followed Him, and He cured all of them, and He ordered them not to make Him known.*

*Mathew 16:15-17 Jesus said to them, "But whom say ye that I am"? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the 'Christ the Son of the living God'. Jesus answered and said unto him, "Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven"*

After Jesus crucifixion, healing and salvation is open to everyone who believed, Jesus is God. But the wicked generation not willing to accept what he spoke has to be punished.

*Isaiah 6: 9-10 Mark 4: 12 The Lord said, "Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking but do not understand. Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds and turn and be healed."*

At the same time by strong faith, people have grabbed healing from Him, which surprised even Jesus.

Even in these days, many oppose in witnessing of miracles happened to them. Those who oppose 'witnessing' have to explain, why Jesus ordered so two thousand years ago, does it apply now?

*Mathew 15: 22-28 Canaanite Woman was pleading to Jesus to relieve her daughter from a demon. Though Jesus refused first, later He healed her daughter. (Verse continued on next page)*

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*The Lord said, “Woman great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish”  
And her daughter was healed”*

*John 4: 39 Many **Samaritans** from that city believed in Christ because of that woman’s testimony.*

*Mathew 8: 10–13 When Jesus heard the Centurion’s reply, He was amazed and said to those who followed Him, “Truly I tell you in no one in Israel have found such faith.” Jesus told the Centurion, “Go let it be done for you according to your faith,” and the servant was healed”*

Here it clearly states that the woman gave testimony and many became believers. Christ did not forbid her in telling others, because He expected those people, to come in to faith because they were not Jews? You have the answer I hope.

There are hundreds of verses, which state that, you must tell others, and witness what the Lord has done for you.

*Acts 22: 15 Ananias, told Saul, (Saul later known as Paul) as it was instructed by God “You will be His witness to all the world of what you have seen and heard why you delay.”*

*Acts 23: 11 In the night The Lord stood near Paul and said, “Keep your courage! For just as you have testified for me in Jerusalem, so you must bear witness also in Rome”*

*Acts 26: 22 Paul said “I have had help from God, so I stand here, testifying to small and great, saying nothing but the prophets and Moses was said would take place.”*

*Mathew 10: 18. Jesus told His disciples, “You will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as testimony to them and gentiles.”*

You must see the Bible as a whole. You should not take one verse and separate the other relevant verses and come to a conclusion.

If you pull out one verse without context and elaborate it’s meaning it can only mislead you. The following verse tells us what The Lord expects us to do. We are supposed to help others to have faith in God. Here you are bound to tell them what The Lord has done for you.

*Mathew 18:14. Jesus said, “It is not the will of your Heavenly Father, that one of these little ones should be lost.”*

God does not want even a little one to be lost. After the crucifixion, the door for the salvation is kept opened to everyone who has faith in him, and whoever repents over his sins, will be saved. From your side what have you done for others eternal life? You are supposed to give others the knowledge of truth you have received, so that they also can attain salvation. This is everybody’s responsibility, and not confined to a preacher, pastor or a priest. Read- Mathew 28: 18-20; Mark 16: 14-18; Luke 24: 47-49; John 20: 21-23; Acts 1: 8 says same thing.

## Crucifixion could have been avoided?

*1 Corinthians 2: 8 None of the rulers of this age understood this, if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory.*

If the rulers recognized who Jesus was, the Crucifixion would have been avoided, and the whole scheme of salvation would have been averted. Jesus true identity came to know to the whole world only after his crucifixion, resurrection and Ascension.

*Jesus said "All power is given to me in heaven and in earth. **You go therefore and teach all nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world"*

Jesus said to everyone and it is not those twelve disciples' monopoly. You must contribute what ever is in your capacity. You are supposed to be an example, which will attract others to you, and then they will follow you. At least you can distribute some leaflets or a Bible. Could you ever do these, or even think about it?

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Chapter 12

## The Word is God

*John 1: 1-14 In the beginning was the word, and the word was with God, and the word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made. In him was life. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him. Who believed in His name became the children of God. And The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth, we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only son from The Father.*

**1) The Word is written in the Bible,** and The Word that has become flesh is Jesus Christ. The Bible does not say, in the beginning there was a God. This first verse shows the positive assertion and a solemn declaration of the truth, of God's existence, subsequently Jesus was born, and lived among men, crucified and resurrected. Besides what is stated in the Bible, this is also a historical fact, and not mythology.

**2) Lord's Words never fail.**

*Isaiah 55: 11 The Lord said "My word that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it"*

**3) The Lord executes His will by The Word.**

*Sirach 42: 15 By the word of the Lord, His works are made; and all his creatures do his will.*

**4) The word saves from death.**

*John 8: 52 Jesus said, "If any one keeps my word, will never taste death."*

**5) The word is mightier than the sword**

*Hebrew 4: 12 The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two edged sword, piercing until it divides the soul from the spirit, joints from the marrow, it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

**6) The word is life.**

*Mathew 4: 4 Jesus said, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."*

**7) The words of Eternal Life.**

*John 6: 68 Peter said to Jesus, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal Life.*

**8) The word is healing.**

*Wisdom 16: 12 & 13 Neither herb nor poultice cured them, but it was Your Word, O' lord, that heals all the people. You have power over life and death; you lead mortals down to the Hades and back again. (Poultice = Medicated paste spread on swelling)*

**9) The word Purifies.** *John 15: 3 Jesus said, "You have been already cleansed by my word I have spoken to you."*

**10) The word is 'near' and the word is 'faith'.**

*Romans 10: 8 Paul says, "The word is near you' on your lips and in your heart, the word of faith we proclaim."*

You cannot say that you did not know the word of God; it is in your heart. This gives you the knowledge of right and wrong, so you cannot say that you did not know the commandments. This is enough for your final Judgment.

*John 14: 23 Jesus said. "If a man loves me, he will keep my word, and My Father will love him, we will come to him and make our home with him"*

Once The Lord has spoken, that has become the Law, and it never changes without performing its purpose, even if the sky and the earth pass away. God himself does not break His own law. When certain criteria, that has been already set by God is met, He shows His kindness and mercy to everyone. The Lord spoke through Joshua the following.

*Joshua 1: 8 "The Law shall not depart from your mouth, you shall meditate on it day and night that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you shall make your way prosperous and you shall have good success"*

*Mathew 13: 19 Jesus said "When any one hears the word of God and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away, what is sown in the heart."*

Satan is deceiving you, by confusing and making you not to understand, the word of God, so that you will disobey God.

*Hebrew 4: 13 Before God no creature is naked, and lay bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.*

Luke 22: 42

Jesus kneeled down, and prayed, saying, **"Father, if you be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but yours, be done"**

If this is what Jesus said, can you be above that; God's will, must prevail and you must obey His commandments.



## Chapter 13

# Fools

*Psalms 14: 1 Fools say in their hearts "There is No God"*

*Wisdom 13: 1 For all people who were ignorant of God were foolish.*

*Proverb 1: 7 Fools despise wisdom and instruction.*

*Wisdom 1:3 When God's power is tested, it exposes the foolish.*

*Mathew 7: 26 Jesus said, "Everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be a foolish man who built his house on sand"*

*Wisdom 13:7-9 People live among God's works; they keep searching and trust what they see because what is seen is beautiful -- Though they had the power to know so much that they could investigate the world, how did they fail to find sooner the Lord of these things.*

Man's desires and attachments to the worldly things keep him away from God. So man does not bother to seek the unseen God and confines himself in the beautiful things of the seen world. This is a great disobedience of God's Commandments.

*Corinthians 1:18-19 For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but to us which are saved it is the power of God. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.*

*Corinthians 1: 20-21 Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.*

*Mathew 5:22 Jesus sad, "If you call your brother fool you will be liable to hell"*

The Lord preserves the authority to call any one a fool but every man is forbidden to call another a fool.

According to the Scripture everyone who does not fear the Lord, does not obey His commandments, and does not seek Him is a fool. It does not matter, how rich one may be, how great a scholar, scientist, or how great a high-ranking official he may be, they all are fools before God. These people having all the worldly wisdom, wealth and position; after a short period of life on the earth, they have to leave everything behind, at the same time they are loosing the eternal life, rather they end up in Hades. What they have gained on this earth has been left behind, and failed to achieve everything beyond which is everlasting.

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Man is not meant to live and to end his life on the earth for seeking pleasure (eat drink and enjoy the sex), but to glorify God. Human birth is not at their request but according to the will of the Lord.

Humans are not a substitute for lost angels but they are created in His image for the glory of the creator. A man, who has virtually nothing, but fears God and has faith in Him, is wise, because he will inherit the kingdom of God.

God gives you the freedom to be a fool or to be a wise, choose what you like.

Next - God forgives

## Chapter 14

# God Forgives

God is kind so He intend to forgive the sinners, for which one of the conditions He has set is to 'repent.' If one does not repent, God cannot save Him, because He will not violate His own Law.

*Jeremiah 36: 3 The Lord says, "All those whom turn from their evil ways, I may forgive their iniquity and their sin"*

*Hebrews 10: 17-21 The lord said, "I will remember their sins and lawless deeds no more" Where there is forgiveness, no longer any offering for sins. Therefore we have confidence to the sanctuary, by the blood of Jesus, He opened for us through (the curtain of) His flesh, and since **we have a great priest over the house of God.***

Why the Bible has stated so much about Christ's priesthood, it was already an established truth, that He is the Son of God? It is necessary to make the people to be aware of that, Christ is the only high and everlasting priest, and everybody should approach Him for their confession and repentance and He will forgive their sins. God has shown the greatest forgiveness in the Calvary

*Luke 23: 34 While Jesus was on the cross He prayed, "Father forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."*

Jesus forgave those who crucified Him out of their ignorance at the same time he prayed to His Heavenly Father also to forgive them.

*Luke 23: 41-43 One of the crucified thieves told the other one, "We indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds." Then the thief turned to Jesus and said, "Remember me when you come in to your Kingdom" Jesus said, "Truly I tell you today you will be with me in Paradise"*

The thief was in severe pain and even at the brim of his death, he admits that the punishments he got were just and deserving. By this statement he made his repentance. Jesus forgave him, and promised paradise on the same day. There is an historical background regarding this thief. When Joseph, Mary and infant Jesus was fleeing to Egypt, this thief was about to kill infant Jesus. But the thief spared Jesus' life. In Calvary Jesus saved the same thief's life to eternity.

*Isaiah 44: 22 "I have swept away your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you"*

*Luke 15: 7 Jesus said. "There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance"*

It costs you nothing to repent. If you are convinced that this process is unavoidable, then only you can repent sincerely.

Next-Law-suits

## Chapter 15

# Lawsuits

The scripture is very critical about lawsuits among believers. Why there should be disputes among believers. Even when one cannot agree with another, he should rather be willing to suffer the loss for the sake of Christ.

*Sirach 29: 19 The sinner comes to grief through surety; his pursuit of gain involves him in lawsuits.*

*Mathew 6: 24 You cannot serve two masters; you cannot serve God and wealth.*

Material wealth or God whom are you serving; God or mammon? If you are serving God you cannot fight in the court of law, for material benefits. Waste no money and time for law-suits, but spend your time in prayers for justice from God. And you spread the Good-News.

*Mathew 6: 19 Christ said, "Do not store up treasures on earth but store up in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal."* (This verse is used in places of worship to persuade people for donation. Your donation cannot buy eternal wealth for you)

*1 Corinthians 6: 7–11 To have lawsuits at all with one another is defeat for you. Why not rather suffer wrong? Why not rather be defrauded. But you yourselves wrong and defraud, and that even your own brethren. Do you know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? But you are washed, you are sanctified, you are justified, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in the spirit of our God.*

*Titus 3. 2 Speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all men*

If you wish your children to be good you must obey God's commandments. Don't try to be like a whitewashed coffin before men, but be honest and faithful to God and to others; then your name will be in the book of life. The Bible strictly forbids lawsuits. There is nothing that cannot be settled between believers, yet they don't do it. If you cannot settle the dispute, one of you must obey the scripture "**Why not rather suffer wrong? Why not rather be defrauded?**" then there will be no disputes.

Man cannot control himself under the influence of emotions, desires and evil thoughts. Only such people will go for Lawsuits. He can bear the sufferings boldly, only when he gets help from the Holy Spirit; provided he obeys God's commandments.

When Christ was brought under trial his disciples deserted Him due to fear of that they might also suffer because of Christ. Only Holy Spirit can help you to overcome fear. To receive the anointment of the Holy Spirit, one should follow the scripture, produce the fruit of the Holy Spirit and must become brave to face all adversities.

*Acts 1: 8 Jesus said, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you"* Once you achieve the qualities of Holy Spirit you have become a true follower of Christ then you cannot go for lawsuits.

## Chapter 16

# God is Love

*Genesis 1: 26 The Lord said "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness, and give him dominion over everything on the earth." {God created man with greatest affection, so God gave his image and His likeness. He gave authority over the earth and everything in it. He loved man very much and expects the same in return}*

*1 John 4: 8 God is Love.*

*Mark 12: 30 Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength"*

The above verse (Mark 12: 30) looks simple; its magnitude and periphery is too high and wide, which is explained below.

Jesus is specific about how to love Him

- 1) With all your heart--- represents strong will.
- 2) With all your soul--- with your emotions
- 3) With all your mind--- with your thoughts
- 4) With all your strength--- with your capacity to act;  
this depends upon all your  
resources and time.  
This does not mean you should give -  
-away everything you have but -  
-you should not misuse any of them.

*Mathew 11: 29-30 Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light"*

Yoke = The burden of your Sacrifices for others (Only out of love you can do sacrifice)

Jesus further explained: --- Loving God means obeying Him. Put your heart, soul, mind and strength together and love Him and nothing less. Loving God also involves your sacrifices for others. He wants you to stay in His path or in His way. God expects man to love Him, like God loves man. God says His yoke is easy and its burden is light, if you leave this yoke and go for other worldly things that would be heavy and burdensome which could break your back, loosing your eternity.

***1 John 5: 3 The love of God is to obey his commandments, which are not burdensome.***

*John 15: 12-14 Jesus said, "This is my commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you."*

*1 John 5: 1-3 Everyone, who believes that Jesus is the Christ, who has been born of God, and everyone, who loves the parent, loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey His Commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.*

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*Mark 12: 33 Loving God with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is much more important than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.*

*1 John 4: 8 He who does not love, does not know God, for God is love.*

God is connecting man to Him with love, at the same time; man should love one another, like God loves man. Its importance can be observed from the following verses.

### **Mathew 5: 22**

*One who calls his brother fool? ----- is liable to hell of fire*

*If you don't reconcile with your brother—you are Liable for Imprisonment. Your sacrifice will not be accepted*

### **Mathew 6: 15**

*If you don't forgive your brother – Heavenly father wouldn't forgive you.*

*1 Corinthians 13: 13 Faith hope and love abide; the greatest of these three is love.*

*Leviticus 19: 18 "You shall love your neighbor as yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear grudges against any of your people."*

*Fruit of Love ~ 1 Corinthians 13: 4-7 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious; or boastful; or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; It is not irritable or resentful. It does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things.*

### **Romans 13: 10 Love does no wrong to the neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the Law.**

Just like God loves man, He expects man to love one another, and then to love God. Through this process a triangle is completed.

If the triangle is not completed, the connecting link is lost, thereby mans effort goes to waste. When you love your neighbor you have fulfilled the whole law. This is the completion of God's commandment. From time to time God kept reminding the people to obey His commandments.

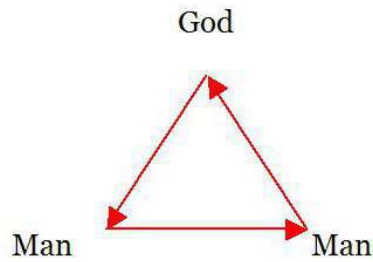
When the wickedness of man outgrew, God felt sorry for creating man and his anger was boundless, so He sent the great flood and destroyed everything except Noah's family.

Sodom and Gomorrah was also destroyed for the same reason. Gods desire to give the paradise to man is undermined by man. So He decided to send His first born to the earth for a sacrifice, for the forgiveness of man's sins.

*1 John 4: 10 In this love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his son to be the anointing and expiation sacrifice for our sins.*

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*John 3: 16 God loved the world so much; that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.*

In the history it is recorded, and in our everyday life we hear through the different news media, human sacrifices are done to get treasure. Egyptians sacrificed their children for the Sun God.

This is to please certain Gods to achieve man's specific ambitions. The Bible is proclaiming of a God, who himself has become a sacrifice by shedding His own blood to save the man from man's sins and iniquities. This is the greatest love God has shown for us, He saves even the wicked man at the cost of His life.

Giving children for sacrifices were in practice from ancient time. When Christ became a sacrifice for the salvation of man, it proved that God doesn't want any of such human sacrifices for Him. When you love another how can you make him a sacrificial object?

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*Joshua 1: 8 The Law shall not depart from your mouth, you shall meditate on it day and night that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you shall make your way prosperous and you shall have good success.*

Next-Holy Spirit



Chapter 17

HOLY SPIRIT

*Genesis 1: 2 The earth was empty and without form. Darkness covered the ocean, and God's spirit was moving over the water.*

{The Holy Spirit was Creating and giving life to, living things in the ocean}

**The Spirit Creates;** *Job 33: 4 The spirit of God has made me. And the breath of the Almighty gave me life.*

**Spirit is Life;** *James 2: 26 Body without Spirit is dead.*

**The Spirit Guides;** *Nehemiah 9: 20 God gave His good Spirit to instruct (guide) them.*

**The spirit Gives Rest;** *Isaiah 63: 14 The spirit of The Lord gave them rest.*

**The Spirit Gives Courage** *Haggai 2: 5 The Lord's Spirit abides among you do not fear.*

**Spirit is to Worship;** *John 4: 24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him, must worship Him in spirit and truth.*

**Spirit is Teacher & Reminder;** *John 14: 26 The advocate, the Holy spirit, whom The Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have told you.*

**Source of Holy Spirit;** *Titus 3: 6 God poured out Holy Spirit, richly upon us through Jesus Christ our savior.*

**Spirit is Witness;** *Romans 8: 16 When we cry Abba Father, it is that very Spirit bearing witness, with our spirit that we are children of God.*

**Spirit helps to Pray;** *Romans 8: 26 The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray, as we ought, but that very spirit intercedes according to the will of God.*

**Spirit is Guarantee;** *2 Corinthians 5: 5 God who has prepared us and given the spirit as a guarantee.*

**Inhabitation of Spirit;** *1 Corinthians 3: 16 You are God's temple and God's spirit dwells in you.*

**Seal of Spirit;** *Ephesians 1: 13 Those who believe in Christ are marked with the seal of Holy Spirit, this pledge of inheritance toward redemption as God's own people.*

**Spirit Grieves;** *Ephesians 4: 30 Do not grieve the Spirit of God.*  
(The Holy Spirit grieves when you commit sins)

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**Spirit is Ardency;** *Romans 12: 1. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in Spirit.*

Lag = Fall behind; Zeal = ardent; desire = Eagerness, keenness

**Holy Spirit is Power;** *Luke 24: 49 Jesus told His disciples, “Stay in the City until you have been clothed with Power (Holy Spirit) from on high”*

**Where does The Spirit come from?** *John 1: 32 Baptist John said, “I saw the Spirit come down from Heaven in the form of a dove and rest on Jesus”*

**How the Spirit appears;** *Acts 2: 2-4 Suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house. Divided tongues as of fire, appeared among them and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.*

**Exodus 13: 21;** *The Lord went in front of them in a pillar of cloud by day, and a pillar of fire by night.*

**Spirit foretells;** *Acts 1: 16 The Holy Spirit foretold through David, concerning Judas who betrayed Jesus, has come true*

**Gifts of Holy Spirit;** *1 Corinthians 12: 4-7 Same Holy Spirit provides varieties of gifts to man. Wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, performing of miracles, prophesy, ability to distinguish between spirits, various kinds of tongues, interpretation of tongues, are activated by the same Spirit*

**Fruits of the Holy Spirit;** *Galatians 5: 22-25 The fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control; against such there is no law.*

**Luke 11; 13 The Lord said;** *“If you evil know, how to give good gifts to your children, how much more the heavenly father give The Holy Spirit, to those who ask Him.”*

**Who gives Spirit?** *John 20: 22 Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, “Receive Holy Spirit.”*

**Inheritance of Holy Spirit;** *Mathew 5: 3 “Jesus said, blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.”*

**Born again;** *John 3: 5 Jesus said. “No one can enter the Kingdom of God, unless he is born of water and Spirit.”*

**Anything against Spirit;** *Mathew 12: 32 Jesus said, “Every sin and blasphemy against Holy Spirit, will not forgiven in this age, or in the age to come.”*

*James 1: 22 Be doers of The Word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves.*

Christians are mere hearers of the word of God from its early days; they don't practice what they hear from the scripture.



## Chapter 18

# Wealth

***Hebrew 13: 5 “Keep your lives free from the love of money and be satisfied with what you have”***

Can you do it? Your greediness will not permit it. You will use all means and ways, even unjustifiable means to accumulate more and more wealth. You can see many people becoming rich within a very short period of time through illegal ways.

1) One category will go broke and perish very soon just like the way they came up like a mushroom.

2) The second category will retain the wealth but will be haunted by all kinds of miseries including severe incurable diseases and deformities and birth defects.

*Sirach 29: 11 Lay up your treasure, according to the commandments of the most high, and it will profit you more than gold.*

*Sirach 29 23 Be content with little or much and you will hear no reproach for being a guest. (Reproach=Criticism)*

*Ezekiel 7: 19 & 21 Their silver and gold cannot save them on the day of the wrath of God. I will hand over their wealth to strangers as booty, to the wicked on the earth as plunder.*

Now you know why people get ransacked and robbed.

Don't you feel proud of your wealth, diamonds and ornaments you have. Are you not proud that you can buy almost everything with your money?

Don't you feel great, when politicians, Government officials, Church leaders and bishops care for you and pay visits to you. Don't they entrust you with many great positions of different organizations because of your richness. Are you not confident and proud that you have already bought them and they are in your control? The Lord says, ***"Your richness will not save you from the wrath of the Lord"***

*James 5: 1 & 5 Come now you rich people weep and fall for the miseries that are coming to you. You have lived on the earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. You have condemned and murdered the righteous one who does not resist you.*

*Hosea 12: 8 It is a sin to say that, you have gained wealth without any offense.*

### **What you should do?**

*Colossians 3: 5 Put to death, what ever in you is earthly and greed, which is idolatry.*

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*1 Timothy 6: 17-19 Those who in the present stage are rich, command them not to be haughty, or set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of life that really is life.*

*Proverbs 13: 7-8 Some, pretend to be rich yet have nothing; others pretend to be poor, yet have great wealth. Wealth is a ransom for the person's life, but the poor gets no threats.*

*Baruch 3:17-19 Those who hoarded up silver and gold in which people trust, and there is no end to their getting. Those who schemed to get silver, but there is no trace of their works? They have vanished and gone down to Hades (The world of spirits)*

*Jeremiah 17: 11 Like a Partridge hatching an egg which it did not lay, so are the people who get rich by cheating. When their lives are half finished, they will loose their riches. At the end of their lives they will understand that they were fools.*

A partridge hatches out other bird's eggs. The offspring is not of the mother's feathers, soon it will fly away and the mother bird becomes a fool and lonely.

God is not against the rich, but against ones unrighteousness. Abraham, Jacob, Isaac and Job were not poor. For the same reason Jesus Christ told the young rich man to sell every thing and to give it to the poor for the Kingdom of God, because the young man considered wealth, more important than God. You must have amassed huge amount of wealth, but could you bring one person to salvation.

All day long, you gossip and boast of yourself, but could you preach the Good news at least to one person?

Do you get time at least for personal prayers?

If wealth becomes a primary thing in your life, you will not have any peace of mind; just because of wealth related problems. Finally you will loose your wealth when you die and after death you loose your eternal life also.

## Chapter 19

# God Grieves

*Genesis 1: 26-27 God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over everything on earth. So God made mankind on earth"*

*Genesis 6: 5-6 The Lord saw the wickedness of man was great on earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. The Lord was sorry that he made humankind on the earth; it grieved Him to His heart.*

*Jeremiah 13: 17 The Lord says, "If you will not listen, my soul will weep in secret for your pride; my eyes will weep bitterly and run down with tears".*

*Ephesians 4: 30 Do not Grieve the Holy Spirit*

With great expectation God has created man, but man did not stay in God's path. Man strayed away from God and became evil minded. He has a choice to stay with God or to stay with the devil because of the vested freedom God has granted to him, in the beginning. Whether man believes in God or not, man is aware of the right and wrong, which he describes as consciousness. Even when his inner mind is telling him, what he is doing is wrong; he follows the path of unrighteousness, because of the evilness, within him. God feels pity over this nature of man, because even when he has the true knowledge of God, he does not, stay in the path of righteousness. God said, "*The sin is lurking at your doorstep, you must conquer it.*"

Your true destiny is not what you are on this planet, but where you are going to reach after your physical death. If you cannot accept the fact, that there is an ever lasting life after death there is no point in talking to you about the scripture.

You already know that human body consists, few elements and water, found on the earth, and he survives each second depending on the oxygen, which he draws from the atmosphere and when your heart beats one after the other. In simple terms the connection between your life and physical body is very fragile. Even then man's wickedness is so great, and the outcry of his sins shakes the heaven itself. Once, the whole of earth was flooded, and every thing was destroyed except that which survived through the Arc of Noah. Those remaining humans multiplied and did the same thing what his predecessors have done. God struck them in Sodom and Gomorrah.

Two thousand years ago God opened up an easy path, through Christ's teaching and His crucifixion. Now the procedure is simple. Repent over the sins and confess to God, and don't repeat it. God wants you to be His good child, and not a prodigal one.

When you don't live up to God's expectations that really grieves Him. What a great Heavenly Father, who grieves over His wicked children!

Next-Giving And Receiving

Chapter 20

## Giving and Receiving

Giving in general is widely practiced, because of its publicity and the flattering, the donor is getting; there are many who fall for it. Just don't ask whether the money has been earned through justifiable means or tax evaded money?

There is another kind of people giving offerings. Especially in India even criminals make generous offerings. This includes murderers, drug traffickers, prostitutes, politicians, tax evaders and even all kinds of white-collar criminals. They all want to prosper their wealth and also do not wish to get caught of their wickedness.

Once a parish priest was summoned to a police station for hiding stolen goods. In his church's cash box, which was kept outside the Church. They found couple of Golden bangles along with the other contributed cash. The Church had nothing to suspect so they added it to the Church treasury. Now the priest had to answer why it was not reported to the police? Later they might have dismissed the charges against the priest.

Those bangles were the missing items of stolen jewelry of a housewife. The man who stole the jewelry had some successful theft before; probably he must have made his offerings too. During this time the theft was not detected for quite some time. At last the police had some traces and the thief was questioned of everything including the missing bangles. Then he revealed it was left in the cash box of the church, probably as the ten percent of the theft income. The innocent priest was caught in the cross fire, though nothing happened to him. There are many stories of this kind of offerings.

I know personally several people of the same white-collar caliber, whose generosity has astounded me. Their donation was not based on the cause but publicity. Fund raising in all the spheres, are needed and requires unusual ability to raise the expected amount. There are many specialized people in this field and they know what tactics they should play. Usually they start in humble request, and when things are not favorable it becomes a threat and finally extortion and even blackmail. Often it will end even in assault and property destruction. These kinds of things are seen in the Indian news medias.

The scripture is very clear about giving and receiving. In the name of God every thing takes place! Black sheep and anti-social elements are everywhere. Though the cause may appear to be genuine, it is not necessary that money is for proper utilization. Some times you could be wrong; even then it is better to promote a better cause than a bad one. The following verses explain everything very well.

***What God wants most is YOU,  
and not what you have.***

God has created everything and everything in this whole universe belongs to Him, including the material and non-material things. If you don't belong to Him, and throw some money, that brings you NOTHING spiritual and absolutely no eternity! What you don't give Him is your heart, how can God inhabit in a heart you don't give room to God.



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You can never get away from God's punishments with your rituals and donations. You can never buy God with your money.

*Mathew 6: 1-3 Jesus said, "Beware of practicing your piety, before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, like the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the street, so that others may praise them. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing"*

Piety=Goodness

Sirach 12: 5 Do good to the humble

Sirach 12: 5 Do not give to the ungodly

Sirach 12: 7 Give the one who is good

Sirach 12: 7 Do not help the sinner

The above verses tell us whom to give and whom not to give. You must be able to distinguish the good and deserving, from the flock. You must have the willingness to give to the deserving according to your ability and must have the courage to refuse the undeserving.

*Sirach 12: 1 If you do good, know whom you do it, and you will be thanked for your good deeds.*

If your intention is to multiply your wealth seven fold in return, then you have lost the game. When you give, it must be without any intention of a reward.

*2 Thessalonians 3: 10 & 12 And Anyone un-willing to work should not eat: To such persons we command and exhort in The Lord to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. (Exhort=Urge)*

*Sirach 40: 28 My child, do not lead the life of a beggar; it is better to die than to beg.*

There are many who want to survive without doing any work. Some becomes habitual beggars; because of the easy money they can get, for them this is a good advice. The scripture tells you for **NO WORK – NO FOOD.**

*Mathew 25: 30 Christ said, "For this worthless slave, throw him in to the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth".*

Though God is kind to the poor and the needy, how much He hates, and intends to punish the unproductive and lazy and parasitic people.

*Sirach 11: 20-21 Standby your agreement and attend to it, and grow old in your work. Trust in the Lord and be on the Job.*

(Discharge your responsibilities and work until you are old or until you cannot work any more don't idle yourself. God honor such working people. )

*Sirach 35: 12 & 13 Give generously as you can afford, God will repay you seven fold.*

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## Chapter 21

# Celebrations

*Amos 5: 21 The Lord says, "I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. I will not accept your offerings."*

The Lord spoke above words through prophet Amos in 760 B.C. I felt it is important to mention the year, because when Jesus came, He simplified everything. The Christians do not follow His teachings and does just opposite to what He said. If God has to reveal this 2765 years ago, it must have been that important. Where there is a celebration people become totally unholy, and commit too many sins. Celebration is mostly in the name of some important day, based either religious or non-religious importance, or some other event. The question is how you should celebrate? People have different concept of celebrations. They bring all kinds of noisy things and blast it through the loud speakers. Some come really drunk. Some comes to see the celebrations and others to watch the colorful spectators. Everything happens there. When a believer celebrates, he should rejoice, and praise The Lord. If you don't give any importance to prayers, and stray away from the righteous path you are making a grave mistake.

Usually the sanctity is totally lost, and becomes sinful on one side. On the other side some takes all the glory of the function or it is meant to glorify some one else. The Lord hates both cases. He does not want His children to drown in sin. He likes them to live in harmony and rejoice; at the same time they should stay holy. What you think is right, is not right for God. When you know the scripture, you will know what is right and what is the truth.

People don't study the scripture, but speak and practice too many traditions and practices, against God's will and His Commandments.

Often we see, some important people taking all the credits. This is something God hates mostly. Mother Teresa always compared her as a tool to do God's will, and she always gave all the glory to God and she remained humble. When you want to be admired and people to be grateful to you, be sure to offer those to the Lord, for His good works. Without God's consent nothing is possible for you, this is being forgotten or not recognized. We often see a working pattern in everything including in the nature. This is what we call "Nature's Law" The same God has set the rules for the nature. Even in our daily conversation we say, 'that is the way it works'. If you are keen in everything and analyze it, you will find a mighty force is behind everything. When you begin to feel this, you are sensing God's power, and His presence. If you think that is your intelligence, ability, or strength; just remember, it was granted to you for a good cause, and not for your self-vainglory. When what is given to you is misused you have to pay a big price for it.

What does the government, of the people, by the people, for the people do? They are the elected people, to do the will of the people. They do what is beneficial to them, and they break all the rules of the land and the heavens. The revolutionists have destroyed kingdoms, and took over the authorities, and wealth and live like infallible emperors,

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which they call 'Democracy'. You can see only their dictatorship, or their party's dictatorship and corruption.

How many honest politicians you have in the history? Politician's luxury and corruption is far beyond description. Even evidences are destroyed, to save their criminal activities.

They harbor criminals. One after the other, the politicians continues to do it, because they don't fear God and they don't fear the law of the land either. "The last resort for a scoundrel is politics". Why these kinds of things are happening. Because they do not think that there is God. Those who think that there is a God; they don't fear Him, what a moral degeneration of human beings? In India there are many, celebration practices and some birthday celebrations are based on astrology and mythology.

(1) 60th birthday - "SHASTIPOORTHY"

(2) 70th birthday- "SAPTHATHY"

(3) 80th Birthday- "SATHABHISHEKAM", celebration. This means if a man survived more than one thousand full moons, his sins are forgiven and he will not be reborn as animals and creatures. This is based on Hindu philosophy.

(4) 90th birthday "NAVATHY"

Any celebrations connected with mythological beliefs similar to these are all in violation of first and second commandment. How can a Christian celebrate these days based on the mythology and astrology?

For some people even memorial services are celebrations; they say because of their grief they are drinking. Some celebrate by giving intoxicating substances before and after marriage receptions, which is totally unholy. Every year your birthday falls due, do accordingly without alcoholic substances. Why 60th, 70th, 80th, 90th, should be unusually special based on astrology? You must do what is righteous before God. There is no place for self-righteousness.

*Mathew 9: 13 Jesus repeated the old scripture, "Go and learn what this means, I desire mercy, and not sacrifice. I have come to call the sinners and not the righteous"*

When the wickedness of man outgrew, and were giving sacrifice, the Lord hated their sacrifice. When the people do not comply with God's commandments, God could not accept their sacrifices. How can the Lord ever tolerate these kinds of celebrations? God looks upon the faith and purity of the prayerful heart.

If a person moves to some remote area to make a sincere and intense prayer that will be more acceptable to God. Because of one's affection to God, he chose that solitary place. At that time the person may be withdrawing from people and all distracting noises in order to have an effective prayer with good concentration.

*A pilgrimage is not a picnic and recreation but devotion*, when more people are gathered; the true aim of pilgrimage is lost, due to several distractions. Where there is faith and devotion, any place and any time is not right, you have to choose the right place and right time. The exterior decorations, attachments to different rituals and the desire

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you have to satisfy your mind with those things, engross your senses, that your heart is impeded from reaching God.

For these actions you don't get any reward, but punishment from God, for failing to offer true love to God. You are seeking your own pleasure of flesh, enjoyment and entertainment, which is not acceptable to God. Religious festivals do not create devoted atmosphere but produce mere worldly enjoyment, amusement and worldly-pleasure to the people, which adds factors of distraction from God.

This separates you from God during that period of time. The true intention of worshipping is lost and makes festivals and celebrations for the people themselves and not for God. God will be very much displeased and angry, about these kinds of festivals. If you wish to have merrymaking; why it should be disguised in the name of God and give a religious flavor – do it in your own name and get lost.

*Leviticus 10: 1 & 2 Now Aaron's sons, Nadab and Abihu, each took his censor, put fire in it, and laid incense on it; and they offered unholy fire before the Lord, such as He has not commanded them, and they died before the Lord.*

This shows God's tremendous Holiness and Glory. Fragile man is ignoring the greatness and might of the Lord and does foolishness, which angers Him very much. What man think is right, is not right for God? Because Jesus Christ has died for our sins, the instant deaths described in Leviticus 10: 1 & 2 are not taking place, it is postponed; instead, God is giving you a chance to repent. If this opportunity is not utilized, you will end up in disaster on the Day of Judgment.

*Mathew 15: 8 "This people worship me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me."*

Their hearts are far away from the Lord during celebrations though they may be chanting different prayers from their memory or printed book. People come for worshipping without proper preparation. They should clean their body, their mind and then put on clean clothes. Come with fear because you are going to stand in the presence of God for worshipping. Because you got a title of a 'traditional Christian' it cannot bring any good to you, on the Day of Judgment you will be thrown in to, "Outer darkness" When festivals are organized among believers to worship God, the devil has greater part rather than God, because on such occasions several unholy businesses take place.

*Luke 10: 21 Jesus rejoiced in Holy Spirit.*

If Jesus rejoiced in Holy Spirit, you are also supposed to rejoice in Holy Spirit. You are supposed to worship the Lord in Spirit, and rejoice in Holy Spirit. May be you never heard of it and nobody taught you this! Next time you better think of the things explained in this chapter, before you go for celebrations. One cannot become perfectly spiritual, without extinguishing their desires and covetousness not only over material things, but also over ceremonies and rituals.

*John 3: 21-24 (Only content is stated) Jesus said, "The hour has come to worship the Father neither on the mountain nor in Jerusalem. The true worshippers worship the Father in Spirit and in truth, because God is Spirit and Truth".*

Think about your ceremonies, rituals and celebrations and its holiness?

## Chapter 22

# Rock of Ages

To call Jesus, 'Rock' is a metaphoric expression. You can see this usage on a number of occasions in the Bible. Rock is considered to be an extremely strong substance, found almost everywhere on the earth, which can withstand natural calamities, and it could give shelter to any one, who seeks behind it. In the Bible it is used in the same sense. Rock is a strong protector and shelter to anyone who wants it. Augustine Top Lady wrote the following hymnal with the deepest conviction in 1776. Thomas Hastings composed the music in 1830. There is no doubt, that scripture was the inspiring force, to write these lyrics!

“Rock of ages cleft for me, Let me hide in Thee  
Let the water and the blood,  
From thy riven side which flowed  
Be of sin the double cure,  
Save from wrath and make me pure.”

Corinthians 10: 4 The Rock was Christ.

*2 Samuel 22: 2-3 The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my rock in whom I take my refuge.*

*Romans 9: 33 The Lord said, “Behold I am laying a stone in, that will make men stumble, a rock that will make them fall; and he who believes in Him will not be put to shame”*

*Mathew 7: 24-27 Jesus said, “Everyone who hears me and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on a rock. The rain fell and the flood came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And every one who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. The rain fell and the flood came, and the wind blew and beat against the house, and fell - and great was the fall.”*

These parables have a dual meaning and Christ is an expert in versatile meaningful usages, and it strikes in the bull's eye.

**(1)** Let us take the statement on its face value first. Christ was a good carpenter, and an expert builder. He tells us where to build a strong house. If the house is built on loose sand it will not stand against a strong wind, and heavy rain, in both cases the sand will be blown away in the wind, and will be drained away in the rain. So the house should be built on a rock and not on the loose sand.

**(2)** The people living in a strong house need a strong foundation for their life. And that must be 'Jesus The Rock'. To depend on God you must depend on scripture. If you do not depend on God, there will be several temptations in your life, which can make you fall miserably.

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Like a house on the sand, your life will be destroyed. The failure in the worldly life by disobeying God will follow your spiritual destruction. Obey God's commandments and stay strong in the Lord, so that you will not fall.

You can pray like it is said as following:--

*Psalms 18: 2 The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.*

*Psalms 19: 14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.*

*Psalms 31: 2 Bow down your ear to me; deliver me speedily: Lord, be my strong rock, for a house of defense to save me.*

*Psalms 62: 2 He only is my rock and my salvation; he is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved.*

Next Apostle's Creed and Blessing

## Chapter 23

# Apostle's Creed and Blessings

Apostle's creed is used as a part of daily prayer by some of the traditional Churches only. This is in accordance with the scripture. It is a must for every believer to comply with this part of scripture. We deal with the most important part of it. First you must believe then you must say that with your lips.

*Romans 10: 10 When a man believes with his heart, he is justified; When he confesses with his lips he is saved.*

- (1)** I believe in God, The Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth

The above first part is your declaration of your faith in The Heavenly Father.

- (2)** I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by holy spirit, Born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended in to hell; the third day. He rose again from the dead; He ascended in to Heaven, and sits on the right hand side of the God almighty; from thence shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

The above second part is your declaration  
of your faith in Jesus Christ.

- (3)** I believe in The Holy Spirit.

The above third part is your declaration of your faith  
in The Holy spirit.

### Blessing by Pastors and Priests

You will find in several Churches, pastors & priests blessing the laymen at the end of the service. The root of such blessing can be traced to: --

*Numbers 6: 22 – 26 The Lord said to Moses, “Say to Aaron and his sons, thus you shall bless the people of Israel, you shall say to them”: -- “The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you: The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace”*

*1 Corinthians 7: 23–24 Do not become slaves of the human masters. You were bought with a Price. (Christ's blood), you remain with God, and slave to Christ only.*

Obey God's Commandments and be slave to Jesus Christ only. What is important is your faith in The Father, The sun, and The Holy Spirit, by which you are justified. And you must say that with your tongue, so that you will be saved. This is what makes you to achieve eternal life. Those who have faith in God must obey all His commandments. Next-Lord's kindness and punishments



Chapter 24

## Kindness and Severity

*2 Corinthians 4: 3 The Gospel is veiled to those who are perishing.*

If you think that gospel is not true, and difficult to accept, you are straying away from God's path. No mortal and immortal has ever defeated God, you are the loser, and you are heading towards your own destruction. It is better for you to seek God. You have taken lot of trouble to gather the worldly wisdom, why don't you seek God, who has created the entire universe and everything in it.

*Wisdom 13: 7-9 "For being conversant in His works the people search him diligently, and believe their sight: because the things are beautiful that are seen. Howbeit neither are they to be pardoned. For if they were able to know so much, that they could aim at the world; how did they not sooner find out the Lord thereof?"*

God is very angry over the one who does not seek the creator of the entire universe and everything in it.

*Romans 11: 22 Note the kindness and severity of God.*

*Jonah 4: 2 Jonah said to God, "I knew that you are a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing.*

God's kindness is, to lead you to repentance. If you don't repent and come to His path of righteousness, God's wrath is going to consume you in fire.

The great flood, the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah are the example of God's wrath. Because God is kind it does not mean He could easily forgive your sins without your repentance.

God has made the rules, which He Himself will not violate. This is the greatness and righteousness of God. The rule is - you have to repent for the forgiveness of your sins. Once God has spoken that has become the Law. If you don't repent then you have to take His punishments.

*Revelation 20: 2-3 An angel seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and the Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, and threw him in to the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him. For 1000 years, he will remain there.*

This is yet to happen. During these thousand years there will be total peace on the earth, and innumerable souls will attain salvation. During this period if Satan ever repents, God will forgive him, but it will not happen, because Like Pharaoh of Moses' time, his mind will become harder and he will not repent. If Judas ever repented to Jesus, certainly He

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would have forgiven Judas. But his guilt was so great; Judas punished himself, where God could not interfere. God's greatness is something unthinkable to man.

These incidents prove that God can interfere, only when his preset conditions are met. Likewise He will not do any miracles to someone who does not have faith in Him.

You knew, the snake is poisonous, and you were harboring with it. Don't expect any kindness from any quarter, when the snake bites you. Snake is Satan when you associate with him, you know, in due course you will be in trouble, and then nobody will save you.

*Sirach 12: 13 Who will pity a snake charmer  
when bitten by the snake?*

*Jeremiah 32: 18 The Lord shows steadfast love to thousandth generation, but repays  
the guilt of parents in to the laps of the children after them.*

*Leviticus 26: 18 The Lord said,  
"If you continue to disobey me  
I will punish you seven fold"*

*Exodus 20: 5 The Lord said,  
"I the Lord your God, am a jealous God,  
Punishing children for the iniquity of parents,  
To the third and fourth generation  
of those who reject me"*

Take advantage of God's kindness,  
and save yourself instead of  
becoming a victim of His wrath.

## Chapter 25

# Believer's Duty

It is misunderstood by the believers, only those who wish to be a professional preacher, is responsible to spread the Good News. Professionals are to work full time, in preaching and worshipping God, and spreading the Good News. Though that is correct, it is the responsibility of every believer, to tell others, what they have found. Whether the listener takes it or not; it is up to them. Failure to discharge our knowledge to others is answerable to God.

*Mathew 16:24 "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves, take up their cross and follow me".*

A true follower of Jesus owns nothing. Reputation, offices of authority, profit, accumulation of wealth and prestige do not belong to them. They are to be low and humble like Jesus.

*Mark 16: 15–16 Jesus said, "Go in to the world and proclaim the good news, to the whole creation. The one who believes and baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe, will be condemned".*

*Mathew 28: 19 Jesus said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and son, and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded"*

What is expected here is, once you happened to know God, you must tell others about it, so that their spirits also will be saved because God wants to save every spirit if possible.

This is something God entrusts everyone, regardless what they are; all are his creations and His children. You cannot runaway from that responsibility by saying that is not your job. What kind of education did the twelve disciples have? From where they had their education from the outer sea? They were illiterate and dumb people but God made them wise and gave His authority to speak. Those uncivilized people were your forefathers.

From the best of knowledge I have from the scripture – I would say, an evangelist should not be involved in anything else other than evangelization. Spiritual people may run theological schools and nothing else, not even any humanitarian institutions. Such establishments must be run by social workers. Arts colleges, Hospitals, old age homes and orphanages are none of spiritual people's business – Spiritual people means = Preachers, Pastors and Priests.

When these people are involved in such establishments, (1) they don't get time to render their personal prayers. (2) To study spiritual matters (3) Knowingly and unknowingly they get in to several unholy business and practices. This destroys the very good name of the evangelists and the evangelization program itself. It brings ugly blots to the preachers and Priests because of their involvement in other programs. In India evangelization is within the denominations, they are least bothered to go to the

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wilderness to save new ones. They grab Christians from one denomination to the other to increase their strength; they fight with each other and degenerate themselves.

Christians should show good example to others and reflect Jesus' light so that others will be attracted to them and will become believers. Christians does the opposite as a result others fear Christians and Christian countries. Signs of believers are described in Mark 16; 17-18. How many people of this caliber you have seen? God will not act upon anyone who has great title – but only in true believers.

*Mark16: 17–18 Signs of Believers, “In my name they will cast out demons; they will speak new tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover”*

The price you have to give for righteous life is too high. The outcome in this world is loss of reputation, prestige, wealth, health and loss of position. The people, who lead corrupt life, face greater trouble in due course. If the outcome in both cases are troublesome, why should you choose the righteous life. If you look at any religious book, you will see this aspect of life, in this respect it is common. The benefit for the righteous people is their eternal life in exchange of the loss of worldly things and pleasures.

*1 Peter 3: 17. It is better to suffer for doing right,  
If that should be God's will,  
Than for doing wrong*

The blessings are given to the poor and the sufferers: --  
Please read Mathew 5: 3–11

Next-Terrorism

## Chapter 26

# Terrorism

*Genesis 4: 10 The Lord said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood, is crying out to me from the ground. And now you are cursed from the ground".*

*Mathew 12: 33 Jesus said, "If the tree is good, fruit is good, and if the tree is bad fruit is bad, the tree is known by its fruit. You brood of wipers, how can you speak good things, when you are evil"*

Your descendants will be worse than you, because of your evilness. Because of one man the whole world and mankind is punished. And because of one man the mankind is being saved for that Christ was crucified, for the sins started from Adam till to the end of the world yet to come.

*1 Corinthians 6: 9 Do you not know that the unrighteous do not inherit the Kingdom of God?*

Like Pharaoh of Moses' time, if you harden your mind, thinking of more blood shed God's severe punishment will be upon you, and your descendants, and many generations to come.

*Jeremiah 4: 4 The Lord said, "Lest my wrath go like fire and burn with none to quench it, because of the evil of your doings"*

God's commandments apply to every one on the earth and above, regardless who they are and what they are. Though you have a choice between the evil and the good, the outcome will depend on what you do.

*Genesis 9: 6 "Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed: for God made man in His own image," said The Lord.*

I hope this verse is enough to prove, why more and more blood is shed round the globe.

*Jeremiah 49: 16 The lord says, "The terror you inspire and the pride of your heart have deceived you: you who live in the clefts of the rock, who hold the height of the hill. Although you make your nest as high as the eagle's, from there I will bring you down."*

Because of your pride of strength you have terrorized the people, in one way or the other. Here you are making two big mistakes against God's will.

1) Your pride

2) You have terrorized the people.

Both are against God's commandment. The result is stated in the following verses.

*Ezekiel 28: 4-7 The lord says "By your wisdom and your understanding, you have gotten wealth for yourself, and have gathered gold and silver in to your treasuries; by*

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*your great wisdom in trade you have increased your wealth, and your heart has become proud in your wealth” Therefore thus says The Lord God: “Because you consider yourself as wise as God, therefore, behold, I will bring strangers upon you, the most terrible of the nations; and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of your wisdom and defile your splendor. They shall thrust you down to the pit”.*

Your pride and evilness brings you disaster and shame. Repentance and apology and paying compensation, wherever it is possible and needed, is the only way of escape to find peace. Terrorism will subside when people obey God’s commandments and live in harmony. Every country in the world will suffer terrorism, because everyone does sin.

Once the whole world was punished with flood, then Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed. Natural disasters, earth quakes, explosion of volcanoes, cyclones, tsunami, flood drought, epidemics, and terrorism is all God sent. Only few can understand these phenomena. Not one country, but the whole world is paying the price, for the evilness every one is doing.

Do you think with your military strength you can wipe out terrorism? If you can then you have to rewrite the whole scripture in your way. If the scripture cannot be changed, then what is stated in the scripture will prevail.

## Chapter 27

# Faith

*Romans 10: 17 Faith comes from what is heard,  
and what is heard comes from the word of Christ.*

*Hebrew 11: 1 Faith is the assurance of things hoped for,  
the conviction of things not seen.*

Faith is the backbone of spiritual life. It is easy to tell any one to have faith, but it is difficult to achieve faith, and it is more difficult to explain it. Unquestioning, unreasoning and blind faith is the basic requirement to receive the blessings from God. Loyalty, trust, hope, knowledge of God, belief, attitude and faith in salvation constitute faith. It is beyond one's imagination, understanding, feeling, assessment and taste. Without faith one cannot reach God. Faith provides attainment of 'God Jesus' led by Holy Spirit swiftly. You have heard enough, to seek Him. If you don't take the initiative, then 'the rest' of the things will not come. Faith becomes complete through the works of the person otherwise no result can be obtained.

*James 2: 24 A person is justified by works  
and not faith alone.*

*James 2: 26 Faith without works is dead.*

Just like the body without spirit is dead, faith without works is also dead. God has set the law, so that He can shower His grace, to those who have faith in Him. God cannot act where there is no faith, because He does not violate his own Law. If a man's faith is like of Lucifer, it brings only disaster to him. Man's faith must be in the right sense, and he must lead a righteous life to bear its fruit.

*James 2: 19 You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe, and shudder.*

Of all beings Satan is the one who knows God, more than anyone else. Lucifer, who acquired the nickname 'Satan', was an archangel of God once. He was performing all the orders given by God. He knew the righteousness, and might of God. Though there is none above Him; Lucifer had his evil thoughts, which led him for his banishment from Heaven. If an angel who had only a spiritual body could go wrong, how worse is man, who has a human body in addition, with all the worldly temptations and desires?

Just knowing God and doing some rituals and chanting of prayers take you nowhere. At this juncture the importance of faith carries the greatest part, because faith is an attitude of man to rely on God only, other than anything else or anybody else.

*Genesis 15: 6 Abraham believed The Lord;  
And the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.*

*Psalms 26: 1 I have trusted in The Lord, without wavering.*



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*Proverb 3: 5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart*

### Chapter 26

What God expect is absolute sincerity, faithfulness and truthfulness, in everything you do. When the question of faith comes it must be perfect otherwise the outcome is nothing. Jesus compared the faith to mustard seed, which is one of the smallest. It is not the magnitude of your faith but the solidity that matters.

Without faith in Jesus, there is no salvation.

**Faith provides salvation.** *Romans 1: 16 Salvation is for everyone who has faith.*

**Faith heals blind.** *Mathew 9: 27-30. And when Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, "O Son of David, have mercy on us." And when he came into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this" They said to him, "Yes, Lord". Then he touched their eyes, saying; "According to your faith let it be done to you" And their eyes were opened; and Jesus sternly ordered them, saying, See that no man knows this.*

**Faith heals mute.** *Mathew 9: 32-33 As they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man possessed with a devil. And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spoke: and the multitudes marveled, saying, it was never seen like this in Israel.*

**Faith restores life and heals hemorrhages.** *Mathew 9, 18-26 While he spoke these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, my daughter has just died: but come and lay your hand upon her, and she shall live. And Jesus arose, and followed him, and so did his disciples. And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment: For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, **Daughter, be of good comfort; your faith has made you whole.** And the woman was made whole from that hour. And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making commotion. He said to them, give place the maid is not dead, but sleeping: and they laughed at him to scorn. When the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose. The fame went abroad into all that land.*

**Faith drives demon out and mute spoke. :-**

*Mathew 9: 32-33 As they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man possessed with a devil. And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spoke: and the multitudes marveled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel*

**Faith Drives out child's demon.** *Mathew 15: 22-28 And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried to him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, you son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she cries after us. But he answered and said, **I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.** Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, **It is not meet to take the children's bread, and cast it to dogs.** And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs, which fall from their masters'*

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table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, *O woman, great is your faith: be it to you even as you will.* And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

**Faith cleanses lepers.** *Mark 1: 40-42 And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, if you choose you can make me clean. And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and said unto him, "I do choose; be clean. And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed"*

**Faith cures deaf.** *Mark 7: 31-37 And again, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, he came unto the Sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis. And they brought to him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech and they beseech him to put his hand upon him. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue. And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and said unto him, "Ephphatha", that is, 'Be opened'. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spoke plain. And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it; And were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he makes both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.*

**Faith can move mountain & nothing will be impossible.** *Mathew 17: 20-21 Jesus said, "If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say to this mountain, move from here to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible to you"*

**By faith receive anything you ask.** *Mathew 21: 22 Jesus said, "All things, whatsoever you shall ask in prayer, believing, you shall receive"*

*John 20: 29 Jesus said, "Blessed are the ones who believe without seeing."*

*Mathew 13: 58 Without faith nothing will be possible. Even Jesus could not do miracles in Nazareth because the people had no faith in God.*

It is not because it was impossible for Him, but He will not violate His own Law. In fact Jesus was rather irritated by Thomas' lack of faith. So Jesus told Thomas' to feel Jesus' wounds and to have faith. It is important that the reader must refer the Bible while reading this book. You may be getting better insight, as you read the Bible. God's revelation to each individual is different on the same subject. This does not mean one is superior to the other. As one preaches, it is 'The Word of God' that fulfills God's intentions on the listeners. The preacher's personality, vocabulary, his command in the particular language he is speaking, is not doing the job. It is the word of God that executes the will of God, "*It never returns without fulfilling its purpose*"

Next-Desire

## Chapter 28

# Desire

How to make effective spiritual life is, starting at the root, for the best-expected result; otherwise anything you achieve will be for the time being and it will not last. Mind is the most powerful unseen and uncontrollable mechanism in humans.

**(1)** Misleading thoughts create 'Desire'

Undesirable or 'Misleading thoughts' are described, in The Simple Divine Truth Book 1.

**(2)** Desire causes temptation.

*James 1: 14. One is tempted by ones own desire.*

**(3)** Temptation leads to sin.

*James 1: 12-13 Blessed is the one who endures temptation. Such a one has stood the test, will receive the crown of life. When tempted no one will say, that God is tempting him, for God cannot be tempted by evil and he himself tempts no one.*

**(4)** Sin leads to death.

*Romans 6: 23. The wages of sin is death. (Eternal death)*

Sins are being committed through,

**a)** Thoughts: explained in chapter "Misleading Thoughts" The Simple Divine Truth Book 1

**b)** Deeds are explained in Ten Commandments of God.

**3)** Speeches are explained in "Every word you speak" Simple Divine Truth Book 1

Apart from thoughts, deed, and speech man also commits sin through the five sensory perceptions, such as

**a)** Hearing: -- everything ungodly is sin. Listening filthy matters, gossips, pornographic matters Etc.

**b)** Sight: -- Watching filthy things, pornographic pictures and movies, watching people with lust Etc.

**c)** Smell: -- Smelling any of the prohibited items.

**d)** Taste: -- Tasting any alcoholic substances, tobacco, pan, any drugs, tasting any prohibited type of foods Etc.

**e)** Touch: -- Touching any of the unholy things. A man touching a woman or vice versa with bad intention. Touching any thing devoted to other Gods is also forbidden.

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*2 Corinthians 6: 17. The Lord says, "You shall not touch anything unclean"*

I do not think too much of explanation is required in these sensory perceptions, because everyone knows what kinds of sins are involved in this category. Buddhism' also explains, "Desire is the cause of misery." If desire can be controlled all miseries of life will not hurt any one. Though Buddhism is one of the greatest religions in the world – it died in India, where it originated, because of the extreme difficulties to practice it. Besides, other mighty religious forces worked against Buddhism not to become a strong religion in India, but it flourished in other countries.

*Ephesians 4: 17 You should no longer live  
In the futility of mind*

Futility of mind can be explained as useless thoughts. This has a wide sense of meaning:-

- 1) Thoughts of worldly things and building castles in the air
- 2) Not having the thoughts of eternity and to work for it.

*Psalm 1: 2 Blessed is the man who meditates on 'God's Commandments  
day and night.*

If you can replace your misleading thoughts, with spiritual thoughts, you will not be led into evil 'Desires' and its progressive outcome of committing sins. Spending all the time you can, in devoting God is expected. You must work for your survival and existence but not for accumulation of wealth. Whatever time you can get, must be spend for spiritual purposes. This would help you very much to depend on God and not on materialism. Soon this worldly life will be over and you will become a spiritual being devoting your entire time in worshipping God. If you are not fit for that you will be thrown away along with the evil spirits. At least you can trust this writing because the author does everything without making any profit. He doesn't run any church or any establishments. What ever is done for your and others benefit.

Next-Baptism

## Chapter 29

# Baptism

### Is baptism just a ritual?

The very meaning of Baptize is 'to immerse,'

The word, Baptism has derived from the Greek word "Baptizo" meaning Immerse.

I) In water, II) Holy Spirit, III) Fire. !!!

### *I. Baptism in Water*

*Mathew 3. 11 John said, "I indeed baptize you with water for repentance"*

*Acts 19: 4-5 Paul said, "John baptized with the 'Baptism of repentance' telling the people to believe in one who has to come after him, that is in Jesus." On hearing this they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

These verses tell us that, Baptist John gave baptism of repentance! But John could not baptize them in to Christ, (in the name of Christ) because Christ was not crucified at that time. But after crucifixion people were baptized in to Christ and in to his death and in to His resurrection.

*Romans 6: 3-4 Paul said, "Did you know that all of us who have been baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized in to His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him by Baptism in to death, so that, just as Christ was raised from dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life"*

The meaning of Baptism is not known to most of the Christians, they think that Baptism is just a ritual to become a Christian

*Mathew 3: 7-10 John said to Pharisees and Sadducees coming for Baptism, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit, worthy of repentance. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown in to fire"*

We have to ask the same question to every Christian today what John asked more than two thousand years ago. Today Christianity is a brand name, having no quality of Baptism. As a result of undergoing Baptism; one receives Holy Spirit and he must produce the fruit of the Holy Spirit, by obeying God's commandments. If he does not obey Gods commandments, he will loose the Holy Spirit he has received, and thereby he is dead in spirit. He will not be a child of God but of Satan.

In a developed nation continuity of parental religion by their descendents is at their free will. They don't believe in anything other than making money and running a luxurious life. Religion is not important to them. In a luxurious country it is next to impossible; not to go for attractive possessions.



## *Outcome of Baptism*

### **1. Cleansing**

*Acts 22: 16 And now why do you delay get up and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord, Jesus Christ.*

### **2. Forgiveness of sins & receives Holy Spirit**

*Acts 2: 38 Then Peter said unto them, repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.*

### **3. Newness of Life**

*Colossians 2: 12-15 When you are buried with Him in baptism, wherein also you are raised with him through the faith of the power of God, who has raised him from the dead. And you, being dead in your sins and the un-circumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.*

*Galatians 3: 25-29 But after that faith is come; we are no longer under a schoolmaster. For you are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you be Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, and heirs according to the promise.*

If every Christian is not aware of the, meaning of baptism and not productive accordingly, he is as good as a dead man. By man's misconduct he is destroying his 'Eternal Life'. Thereby he has become the son of Satan and loses the right to eternity.

### **4. Salvation**

*Mark 16: 16 The one who is baptized shall be saved; but he who does not shall be condemned.*

Baptism is an unavoidable Phenomenon for eternity. This is one of the conditions; at the same time you must obey all the other commandments of God.

## **II. Baptism in Holy Spirit**

When you are baptized in water, then you will receive Holy Spirit, so that you will become Jesus' witness.



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*Acts 1: 8 "You will receive power, after the Holy Spirit has come upon you: and you shall be witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the end of the earth"*

*John 3: 5-7 Jesus said. "Very truly I say to you, no one can enter the kingdom of God except being born of water and of the Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh; and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said you must be born again."*

*Fruit of The Holy Spirit Galatians 5: 22 The fruit of the Spirit is (1) Love, (2) Joy, (3) Peace, (4) Patience, (5) Kindness, (6) Generosity, (7) faithfulness, (8) gentleness, and (9) self-control.*

*Luke 3: 16 John said, I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I am is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of His sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.*

John proclaims that only Jesus can baptize anyone with Holy Spirit, and Fire.

### *III. Baptism of Fire*

*Acts 2: 1-4 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it rested upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them ability.*

{On several occasions, the presence of fire is explained in the scripture, as presence of God or Holy Spirit}

*Exodus 13: 21 And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night.*

*Mathew 3: 16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and alighting upon him.*

At different occasions God's Spirit appear, in different forms and shapes, depending His will and the magnitude of power and glory He wants to expose and exercise. This is a heavenly secret about which He has not revealed anything to man. The following cannot be considered as a baptism of fire. As it was stated before, the meaning of baptize is to immerse. What happens when a person is immersed in fire, he will be destroyed?

When you are baptized in water, you are receiving Holy Spirit, but God will certainly destroy any one who does not bear the fruit of baptism, by casting in to the fire, on the Day of Judgment. This is not baptism of fire but destruction.

*Deuteronomy 4: 24 The Lord thy God is a consuming fire, even a jealous God.*



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*Mathew 3: 10 Jesus said, "And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree that does not bring good fruit is cut down, and cast into the fire"*

Several wild and deadly creatures add the misery of the travelers of the desert. Though some of them get killed in the encounter with the man, others are burned to death when the wild fire breaks out over the dry existing plants of the desert. John puts it explicitly, the end of wicked people in the same way. This is one of the ways of God's punishment.

Baptist John was living in the desert and he knew about the desert much more than anyone else. He is very much familiar with deadly creatures like wipers and scorpions. They destroy others and at the end desert fire and predators destroy them. They are poisonous meant to destroy others. For the same reason John calls the Pharisees and Sadducees, a brood of wipers, and foretells that they also will end like those wild creatures of the desert.

*Malachi 4: 1-3 "Behold, the day is coming, burning as an oven; and all the proud, yes, and all that evil doers, shall be stubble: and the day that come shall burn them up" says the Lord of hosts, that "It shall leave them neither root nor branch. You that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and you shall go forth, and go out leaping like calves of the stall and you shall tread down the wicked;. for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this" says the Lord of hosts.*

*Isaiah 66: 15 For, behold, the Lord will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire.*

### *What Happens when one is baptized?*

#### 1) He becomes in Christ

*Galatians 3: 26-28 For you are all the children of God by faith in Jesus Christ. Many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for you are all one in Jesus Christ.*

#### 2) He is buried with Christ and raised

*Romans 6: 3-8 Do you know that all of us who have been baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into his death: so that just like Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also be united with his resurrection: knowing that our old self is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not be enslaved to sin. Who ever is died, is freed from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:*

#### 3) He is added to the Church of Christ

*Ephesians 5: 23-27 For the husband is the head of the wife, just as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the savior of the body. Just as the church is subject to the Christ, let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. Husbands love your wives, as Christ loved the church, and gave himself for it. That he might sanctify and cleanse it*

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*with the washing of water by the word. That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.*

### *Why should you be Baptized*

Adam disobeyed God and he lost the legal rights to the Kingdom of God. God is kind and generous and “*God loves man as much as He loves Jesus Christ*” He has the true intention to give the lost paradise back to man. For this reason it became inevitable to have a one-time sacrifice, for the forgiveness of sins, man is committing. Jesus Christ was the only suitable person to be sacrificed, because He has no sin in Him. One man Jesus Christ thus removed the sin, brought in by one man Adam.

Since heaven is Holy, man cannot enter there without washing his sins away. For which baptism and repentance was set by the Lord as one of the conditions, besides Jesus Christ’s Crucifixion. Anything The Lord has said is a law, and he does not change it, so you have to go by that.

*Mark 16: 15 And Jesus said unto the disciples, “Go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.”*

*John 17: 23 Jesus said. “The world may know that the Lord hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me”*

### *Criteria for Baptism*

#### 1) Must know Gospel

A person, who wishes to undergo Baptism, must know the gospel, either by reading or by hearing.

*Romans 10: 18 But I say have they not heard (the gospel)? Indeed they have, their voice went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.*

#### 2) Faith:---One must have the faith in Jesus Christ, that He is the Lord and salvation.

*Romans 1: 16 Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.*

#### 3) Confess and proclaim

*Romans 10: 9-10 If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. One believes with the heart and so is justified and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.*

#### 4) Repent

*Acts 2: 38 Then Peter said unto them, repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.*

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Once you are aware of these things and completed the whole procedure you may undergo Baptism as it is said, in The Bible, get immersed in water.

Some Churches are using this proclamation of faith, as “Apostles Creed” in their regular prayers; this is a part from Baptism.

### What Happens after Baptism?

One becomes a New Creation!!!

*2 Corinthians 5: 17-18 If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.*

People do not know the meaning and purpose of Baptism. What good is it to undergo a process, without knowing anything about it? And how can they bear its fruit. If you look at today’s Christians you can tell how much they have degenerated. Since the scripture itself is self-explanatory, no further elaboration is needed. If you wish to learn more about Baptism, please read any version of the Bible. It may be understood that The Bible is the only authority over everything concerned about spiritual, personal and social life.

God does not bother the denomination you belong to, and your position in a church. He considers your true faith and obedience to the God’s commandments, for your salvation.

Next-Alexander The Great

## Chapter 30

# Alexander The Great



Alexander The Great was the son of a Macedonian king, Philip II of the third century BC. There is speculation that Alexander has run away from the Macedonian military academy several times. Each time he went away, he was caught and put back in the academy for a tougher training, which made him the toughest warrior. Historians say that his father Philip II was poisoned or stabbed to death. After taking over the reigns of Macedon Kingdom, Alexander began his wars. He conquered Asia Minor, Egypt and Persia. He achieved his title “The Great” because he was the greatest conqueror ever lived in the history of mankind. From a king he rose to the status of an emperor and remained for -12- years.

*1 Maccabees 1: 2--5 Alexander fought many battles, conquered strongholds, and put to death, the kings of the earth. He advanced to the ends of the earth, and plundered many nations. When the earth became quiet before him, he was exalted, and his heart was lifted up. He gathered a very strong army and ruled over countries, nations and princes, and they became tributary to him.*

By nature, he was short tempered, furious and a drunkard. This led him to many unreasonable killings. His own close friends were speared or killed by sword, even for silly arguments. He was a terror and unkind; so people feared him. Among Macedonians, flow of innocent blood, or poisoning to death never stopped. The people close to him had to live in fear of death at all times, because of his unpredictable nature and due to the nonstop war conditions, there was a conspiracy against him by his own people.

And it is believed by the historians that somebody poisoned him through his wine for a slow death, which could not have been detected easily. The poison that was given through his wine, created a high fever, even at that condition he continued to drink heavily. His fever ran high for several days, and nothing could bring his high temperature down and finally succumbed to death. At some point before his death he realized that he would not recover; at that time it is believed that he said to bury him leaving his both hands out of his coffin. As a mark of declaration, that when he died he did not take anything with him, in spite of all the conquest and success he has made through the fierce battles. What a pathetic end rather a confession for a great Emperor, Alexander The Great.

He was in Punjab, in India in 329 B.C. due to his sickness and the troubles within his army, he had to retreat. He could not conquer India. He died in 329 B.C. Before his death he divided his country among his four generals 1) Macedon 2) Egypt 3) Syria 4) Pergamum. After his death those generals declared themselves as kings, and continued their rule.

*1 Maccabees 1: 10 Those rulers caused many evils, from them came a sinful root.*

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From the spiritual point of view, the fall of Alexander The Great, was unavoidable and an absolute necessity.

*1 Maccabees 1: 14 They built a gymnasium in Jerusalem, and removed the marks of circumcision and abandoned holy covenant, they joined with the gentiles and sold themselves to devil.*

### *Charges against Alexander*

1) When the people disobeyed God and joined with gentiles, rather nonbelievers, they were actually selling themselves to devils. They lost all the blessings they could get from the Lord, and they got His punishments instead.

2) When he took over the kingdom of Macedon his first responsibility was to look after his subjects, instead he led the country to a full time war.

3) They were killing innumerable people and many were getting killed in the war.

4) The people in Macedon and neighboring countries lived in fear, agony, hatred, famine, and grieving for the loss of loved ones in millions.

5) The families of the lost ones were starving, and getting disintegrated. The king is responsible for the loss of every human life, before God.

6) The king failed to protect and to look after his own subjects.

7) He was very unkind and cruel, even to his own people without any reason.

8) Alexander kept invading other countries, due to his greedy expansionism.

9) He destroyed the peace of his own country as well as his neighbors.

10) *“When the earth became quiet before him, he was exalted, and his heart was lifted up”.* (This drove Alexander’s pride high)

*Isaiah 1: 12–14 “How you are fallen from heaven, O day star, son of dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low! You said in your heart, “I will ascend to heaven; above the stars of God I will set my throne on high; I will sit on the mount of assembly in the far north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will make myself like the Most High”*

Lucifer was God’s archangel once, when Lucifer exalted himself high and filled with pride; the Lord has thrown him out of heaven.

*Jeremiah 49: 16 The Lord says, “The terror you inspire and the pride of your heart have deceived you: you who live in the clefts of the rock, who hold the heights of the hill. Although you make your nest as high as the eagle’s, from there I will bring you down.”*

*Sirach 1: 30 Do not exalt yourself or you may fall and bring dishonor upon yourself.*

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*The Lord will reveal your secrets and overthrow you before the whole generation because you did not come in the fear of the Lord and your heart was full of deceit.*  
(Deceit=Dishonesty)

Before God, Alexander was a dreadful and sinful creature, though his success in conquest of the earth was great. He had all kinds of immoralities. He had several pages to attend, they were handsome young boys and with them he had other relationships also.

His pride reached up to heaven, so the Lord decided to put an end to everything Alexander was doing.

It is believed that he was nearly 33 when he died, and twelve years of his terrorism ended with him. Alexander's pride was the last straw of his fall. Though Alexander's fall has nothing to do with Christianity, it is good to know his disastrous and tragic end of a great emperor. For everyone regardless of man's religion God gives his reward because Alexander was also God's Creation.

In the history of the world, his name is written as, "Alexander The Great"  
In which way he was he great?

You are free to evaluate his greatness?

Like father his own subjects also killed the son.

Next-Solomon

Chapter 31

## Solomon The Wise

The Bible has recorded, in 'The Book of Kings' the reign of the 'King Solomon the Wise', son of David and Bathsheba. He was the third king of Israel. Since Saul and David were more or less like Judges, Solomon is considered to be as Israel's first dynastic ruler. The story of the harlots' dispute over the baby, made Solomon more famous for his wisdom.

*1 Kings 2: 1-3 When king David's time to die, drew near he charged his son Solomon saying; "I am about to go the way of all the earth. Be strong, courageous and keep the charge of the Lord and keeping His statutes, His commandments, as it is written in The Law of Moses, so that you may prosper in all that you do and wherever you turn"*

This is the greatest advice any father could give to his son. David knew only through obedience to God, one could prosper in his life. After reigning for forty years in Israel, he handed over the kingdom to Solomon; when David died and was buried in the city of David. David fought all the battles and by the time he died, Israel had no strong enemies at all. Under the most peaceful conditions Solomon became the king. Solomon walked in the statutes of the Lord, like his father David, in his early days and the Lord was very much pleased with him at that time and not later,

*The Lord asked Solomon in his dream, "Ask what I should give you"*

*1 King 3: 7-9 Solomon said, "I am only a child, and I am in the midst of the great and chosen innumerable people, give me an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and the evil."*

*1 Kings 3: 10-13 The Lord was very pleased with Solomon and said to him, "Because you have asked this and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, but have asked for yourself for understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a discerning mind: no one like you has been before you and no one like shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life: no other king shall compare with you."*

Solomon failed to walk in the Lord's statutes. For a political and personal gain, Solomon married the daughter of Pharaoh of Egypt and brought her to the city of David. It was forbidden to Israelites to marry a non-Jew.

*1 Kings 11: 2 The Lord said, "You shall not enter in to marriage with them, neither shall they with you; for they will surely incline your heart to follow their Gods"*

*1 Kings 11: 3-8. Solomon clung in to these in love. Among his were seven hundred princess and three hundred concubines; and his wives turned away his heart. For when Solomon was old his wives turned away his heart after other Gods; and his heart was not true to the Lord his God. Solomon followed 'Astarte' the goddess of Sodonians and 'Milcom' the abomination of the Ammonites. Solomon did what was evil in the sight of the Lord and did not completely follow the Lord, as his father David has done. Then Solomon built high place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab and Molech the*



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*abomination of Ammonites on the mountain east of Jerusalem. He did the same for all his wives, who offered incense and sacrificed to their gods.*

God of Israel warned Solomon two times for his disobedience; even then he did not come out of his bad habits, which made the Lord very angry. **So the Lord began to make adversaries against Solomon.** Prophet Abijah met Jeroboam when he was leaving Jerusalem and said as follows.

*1 Kings 11:31-36 Abijah tore his garments in to twelve pieces and told Jeroboam; take for yourself ten pieces; for thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, "See I am about to tear the kingdom from the hand of Solomon, and will give you ten tribes. One tribe will remain his, for the sake of my servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem, the city that I have chosen out of all tribes of Israel. This is because he has forsaken me, and worshipped Astarte, Chemosh, and Milcom, and have not walked in my ways, doing what is right in my sight and keeping my statutes, and my ordinances, as his father did." "Nevertheless I will not take the whole kingdom away from him but will make him ruler all the days of his life, for the sake of my servant David whom I chose and who did keep my commandments and my statutes." "I will take the Kingdom away from his son and give it to you -- that is, the ten tribes. Yet to his son I will give one tribe, so that my servant David may always have a lamp before me in Jerusalem, the city where I have put my name." Says the Lord*

Later Judah and Benjamin, two Tribes formed southern Israel (Kingdom of Judah)

The other ten Tribes formed northern Israel (Kingdom of Israel) just as it was prophesied through prophet Abijah.

Solomon wanted to kill Jeroboam, but he fled to Egypt and stayed there until Solomon died. The Lord has charged Solomon with many serious offences such as adultery drunkenness, breaking of first, second and seventh commandments and marrying other women.

Whether one is a king or subject, God's law is same for every one and no exemptions. The king failed to set a good example to others, which led many others also in to the sinful path, for which the king is responsible. For the Lord every soul is precious, he could not forgive any one who destroys it, and who becomes the cause to destroy another soul.

After Solomon, Israelites once again fell in to days of misery and there was no peace among them.

The greatest mercy God has shown was to allow Solomon to continue to sit on his throne until Solomon's dying day. The Lord left one tribe with Solomon for the continuation of David's family until Jesus' birth and the other for Jerusalem. Joseph was King David's descendant. By the time the tribe came down to Joseph, he was a carpenter. If every descendant of David family walked according to the statutes of the Lord, even today they would have been known. We don't even know, even if there is a continuation of David's family until now, or may have ended long back after Jesus' birth.

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