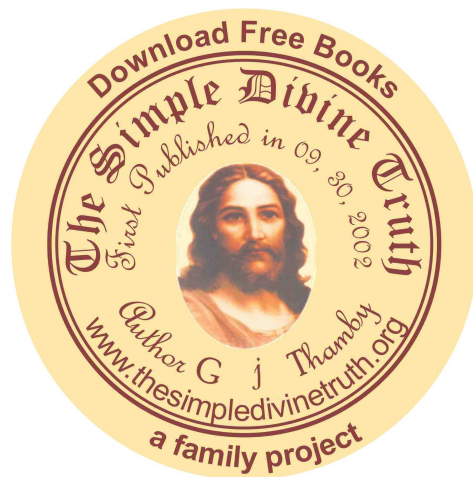


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Jesus is the only name and no other name is given
For the salvation of man, under the sky Acts 4:12



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Next-forsaken

Chapter 1
Forsaken

When Jesus breathed His last while He was on the cross: --

Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "My God, My God, why have you forsaken me" Then someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick and gave Him to drink. Mark 15: 34 & 36

*Mathew 27: 34 They offered wine mixed with gall to drink,
But He did not drink it.*

They gave the sour wine mixed with gall as a sedative, so that He could be relieved from His pain. He meant not to take it because he must remain thirsty and suffer the pain, for the divine exchange of His splendor for our poverty and redemption.

Did Father God really forsake Jesus? No

Jesus was the firstborn and He was with the Father God from the beginning and never has been separated not even for a fraction of a second. When Jesus was on the earth, He continued His relationships, companionship, and His fellowship, and oneness with the Father God all the time. Jesus continued His relationship with His Father through Jesus' spirit.

Only to some to extend we can explain this, because our knowledge is limited on this subject rather God has not given us much information. To understand and to have experience of this is possible for man and not impossible.

We do not know well, how to establish that relationship with God – the fellowship between our spirit and God's spirit.

Like in movies, God does not appear from the blue when the hero calls upon Him. It happens only at the highest level of spiritual attainment of man before the eyes of God, rather when we become acceptable to God.

This is where we totally get lost because our self-assessment is entirely wrong. When we presume, we are perfect; we may be on the edge of condemnation. If you really wish to experience God's presence within you, you have a long way to go. To be in the presence of a God is a superb stage of man's holiness.

I have met several spiritual people who would say anything that comes on their mind as if it is the message from God. Always remember, mind can generate all kinds of vicious things because of its great capability; but not necessarily godly. When you study the word of God you will understand from the very language, the usage, the way it is received, and the nature of the content, you can easily tell whether the message is godly or human or satanic, for this you must have a discerning mind. This is a Gift from God and you have to work hard and pray for it, then you will get it like Solomon. If you obey God's commandments and keep sanctifying yourself, you are sincerely trying to reach God; and at a suitable time, when you become acceptable to God, you will break off from

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all bondages and will come close to God. It is God's grace and not your rights, when He is willing; then He will give it to you. We usually don't experience the presence and companionship of God since you are unholy.

If someone tells you these kinds of things, you are sure to say, "He is out of his mind, because of his spirituality he is insane now"

The relationship between the Father God, son and the Holy Spirit are inseparable. The very nature of trinity in one God is confusing and beyond explanations. We must accept it with the limited knowledge we can get as part of our faith. God is least concerned about your depth of study but you must know what is required and what you must do to attain salvation.

Because of the inseparable nature of trinity – even for some time – until the finishing of crucifixion from the time He was handed over to the rulers of the earth, the agony, pain and condemnation Jesus had to go through is strictly for the salvation of mankind. What ever Jesus went through, has grieved the Father God much more than anybody else. People often have a wrong notion, Father God is tough, strict and punish the guilty unkindly; at the same time Jesus is kind, humble, loving and easy to get along with. When Jesus said *"Those who has seen me, has seen the Father"* means, Jesus is the true image of the Father because they are one. When you pray to Jesus, Father approves it then only you get it. From the following, you may be able to draw some idea what Jesus suffered.

What Jesus underwent is a limitless pain so as the Heavenly Father, which is far beyond the physical pain. Probably the physical pain was nothing to Him when compared to the other. Most of the Christians do not know the details and how the whole ordeal becomes beneficial to man. Jesus exchanged His divinity, prosperity, splendor and glory as a sacrifice for the gain and salvation of man.

Because Jesus carried all the sins of mankind, He carried the burden of sins at least for few moments, during that moment; Jesus had to loose the presence of the Father God. It was not Jesus who left the Father God but it was the Father God who left Jesus. Jesus was carrying the burden of the sins of mankind and became unholy, so the Holy Father had to leave Jesus, until the ordeal was complete. This is the moment Jesus cried to the Father. *"My God, My God, why have you forsaken me"*

The people who crucified Jesus thought, because of His pain He was crying loudly, so they brought the sour wine as sedative, which He did not drink. The whole divine exchange and sacrifice is far beyond man's reach to understand unless God Himself revealed it to man. The scripture explains this to a great extend.

Like a manufacturer of a product tells us everything about it, how to use it, and everything about the manufacturer itself; God has also revealed to us everything about God, the universe, the man and how man should live. Man could not invent or create or discover anything unless God let him do. When the Israelite women were crying over Jesus' suffering, He said not to weep for Him but for themselves and their children. They did not have to pity Jesus and cry, it happened because of their; and their children's sins for which they should cry and repent so that they can be saved. A Good Friday worshipping alone will never take you anywhere, but you must level with God in all

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respect. God who has counted every hair on your head; He will split every hair and make you answerable to everything you have done through the three following distinct ways.

- (1) Everything you have done by work
 - (2) Everything you have spoken,
 - (3) Everything you have thought
- Be prepared for the final Judgment.

Neither you can defend yourself nor there will be another to defend on your behalf on the Day of Judgment. Your worldly wisdom and intelligence are futile before the Lord who created you. If we do not know much regarding Crucifixion we can never understand how it helps us for our eternity. It is meaningless to be ritualistic when we are not realistic which has to come from within our selves. Mind is more than an ocean of unrest that is what Jesus calmed down with one 'Word' a word of God who created everything.

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Chapter 2

Bribery

Bribery (kickbacks/ Pay off) is any sort of benefit given to another person to influence the recipient so that the giver may get a special attention and favor. In a court of law it is a punishable act to bribe and to receive bribe. The one who gives and the one who receives any such favors are guilty.

From the Biblical point of view a believer should not accept or give anything in cash or kind as bribery.

How far, you can go with this principle. Religious organizations and Churches do take something in return in disguise as an offering to God. Capitation fees (Illegal collection of money for favor) are charged in Indian institutions, run by people of different religious order. I have heard them say, everybody else take why we shouldn't. For all kinds of religious ceremonies, cash and kind returns are taken forcibly, other than the prescribed fees charged by the institution. If you go to any office for any certificates, it is obvious that you should pay a prescribed fee, but what about the employees taking cash and kind as bribe? In this modern world, bribe is also described as commission for doing some work quickly; otherwise it will take a long time to get it done sometime you may never get it done.

Very often I have seen, foreign books sold at a much lower than printed price. If these books are printed in India it will cost only 100 – 120 Rupees. If the aim is evangelization that is not met, but only profit making is achieved. As a result of all unethical practices of Christians in India are less than 3%.

In a "so-called Christian countries" they care least about what is said in the Bible. Christians are setting bad example to others, so others find nothing attractive among Christians.

If you look at Christian TV channels you can see during the time of mission week. World's greatest preachers scream for money and sell, all kinds of goodies. I am not sure whether they are good sales men or good preachers. Is there any sect who follows and practices their religious doctrines correctly? If you take the contents of all religion, you will find at least several fundamental things are common. Then what is the problem? People or countries simply cannot get along smooth with one another just because of their selfishness and ego and superiority complex. When we claim to be modern and civilized, we have gone backward as far as ethics and moral values are concerned. Who spoiled everyone? The politicians and religious leaders have done greater harm to the society. Northern and southern Ireland fought for several decades rather centuries and the smoke may never subside. Who instigates them?

During the month of May 2006, a sensational issue in an Indian Parliament has come up "MPs and Office of profit issue". When the Indian Constitution was drawn, it included that MPs should not hold any office of profit. When it was found, a large number of them are holding such office, one resigned and another was disqualified leaving many behind with no action taken against them. The Indian MPs found an easy way out for those who were still holding offices of profit, by amending the law. When there is no law, you did

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not violate anything. When there is a law against the office of profit, MPs violated the Law. The brilliant Indians changed the Law and made it legal. Any fool would know that the law was amended for MPs' protection.

To protect the MPs from their wrong doings, the law was changed. Our mind does not discern right and wrong but does what we want to do. When something goes wrong we go, one more step, then do one more mistake and justify what we have done. The lawmakers break the law, and then they change the law to avoid punishments. Do you think the heavens will approve such acts?

For the same reason Jesus said to be innocent like a pigeon. When we play intellectual games we commit more and more dreadful sins. If you give anything in cash and kind to any preacher or priest, other than what is due to them as salary, is a Bribe and they should not accept it. Christian institutions should not accept even capitation fee for admissions in colleges, which is also a disguised bribe. Religious people are required to keep strict discipline in all respect so that it will be good for them and will be encouraging to others as a good example.

You must understand that what Elisha did was not witchcraft, and Elisha was a prophet. Elisha's spirit was sent by the Holy Spirit to witness Gahazi's wickedness, so that Gahazi may be cursed and inherit Naaman's leprosy, for receiving the gift from Naaman.

This is what God intend to give everyone who accept what they don't deserve, something worse than leprosy. If you fear the Lord you cannot accept or give bribe in any form not even to a priest or a preacher in cash or kind. If you continue to do worse things the outcome also will be like what Gahazi got, you can make your choice.

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Chapter 3

Blessed

To say who is really a blessed or lucky, would be the most difficult thing in this world, it is as good as answering what is the greatest pleasure on the earth. When it comes to spirituality, anyone who gains eternity is the blessed one, because it is a grace of God and not your birthright. This is something you have not seen but you have to attain by faith and good conduct.

Blessed ones: Mathew 5: 3-11 Jesus said,

- 1) Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of God of heaven*
- 2) Blessed are those who mourn for, they will be comforted*
- 3) Blessed are the meek for they will inherit the earth*
- 4) Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for, righteousness for they will be filled*
- 5) Blessed are the merciful for, they will receive mercy*
- 6) Blessed are the pure in heart for, they will see God*
- 7) Blessed are the peacemakers for, they will be called Children of God*
- 8) Blessed are those who are persecuted for, righteousness sake for there is kingdom of heaven*
- 9) Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.*

Mathew 5: 20 Jesus said, "Unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven"

Scribes = Scribes are considered to be a member of learned class of lay jurists/ one who copied the manuscript/an author of some writings. They were important people of the ancient society and writing was their monopoly, because only few knew how to read and write. The status of a chief scribe was equivalent to secretary of State of a country. These people were engaged in all important jobs and enjoyed all the benefits as great officials.

Pharisees = Pharisees were very popular, powerful, rigorists of commandments, attractive sect, and interpreters of religious practices. They had great influence in the politics. They were considered to be the earthly Kingdom priests. Because of their power and influence Pharisees were the first to retaliate Jesus' teaching with Jewish priests.

These Scribes and Pharisees were very important and well respected people of the society during Jesus' time. Jesus tells us unless you exceed the righteousness of those great

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people of the society, you shall not enter the Kingdom of God. Does it not make it clear, great people are far short of God's grace?

They think what they do is more than enough and they are well accepted by God. When people go far away from God, they don't even realize it. Was it really necessary for Prophet Nathan to find fault with King David. Wealth and power misleads man, and he thinks, everything he does is right. God expects greater righteousness from greater people, one who got more should give out more from everything he has including all the wisdom and righteousness he possesses. I have seen many people who mislead others. They enjoy when others fall in to traps, which is sadism and treachery. Those who got much in this world can expect very little or may be nothing and even destruction in the other world.

For those who got little in this world is promised a lot in the other world by Jesus.

Mathew 11: 28 Jesus said, "Come to me those who are weary and carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest".

It may be well understood that God is of compassion, and willing to help people in all respect, but it is our mistake that we don't make use of it. What is most critical is your failure to call upon God regardless of your richness and poverty. It is a must that you should worship and obey Him. In fact the rich have greater burden than the poor; and they are the people who need God's help and protection more.

The biggest set back of the poor and the sick is their revolt against God through their curse and condemnation of their fate; otherwise they would prosper much better than anyone else. In your poverty and sickness the one who has created you is more concerned and grieved. You should seek what God wants you to do and I have not seen anyone who seeks God's will. People go by their little knowledge and greed.

People gather worldly knowledge and make decisions what they should become, everything depends on their decision making. When they cannot make a decision come true, they will go to someone, like Saul did – seeking help from mediums, Refer 1 Chronicles 10: 13-14.

I never met a man in my life who said, I am content with what I have, where as I have heard from many who says, business is not Good in these days; in fact they never said, business was ever been good in spite of all the wealth they have accumulated.

Did God say to be discontent with what you have, and work day and night to become richer?

Listen to what Ecclesiastes says, it consists twelve chapters and hardly seven pages of any standard Bible. It deals with word of God and Philosophy; you could easily be led in to wrong direction. When you go by reality and proof; word of God leads you through faith of unseen things.

Ecclesiastes 1: 18 For much wisdom is vexation and those increase knowledge increase sorrow.

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Here Ecclesiastes refers; sorrow is increased when your knowledge is increased; he is talking of worldly knowledge. Worldly knowledge gives you the ability to foresee the negatives and tragedies that is going to happen and that makes you unhappy.

The true knowledge and wisdom of eternity and hope of everlasting life should make you happy and not unhappy.

Ecclesiastes 3: 1 – 15 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace. What profit has the workers, in that he labors? I have seen the travail, which God hath given to the sons of men to be exercised in it. He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also he has set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God make from the beginning to the end. I know that there is no good in them, but for a man to rejoice, and to do good in his life. And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labor, it is the gift of God. I know that, whatsoever God does, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God does it, that men should fear before that which has been is now; and that which is to be has already been; and God requires that which is past.

Obey God's commandment and live on, until it ends. If you don't seek God's guidance, you are of your own. When the time goby and your personal ability cannot anticipate and achieve anything, you will call upon God. Till then you are on your own ways, which is against God's will.

Sirach 29: 23 Be content with little or much you have.

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Chapter 4

Royal Blood

Is there really such a thing as royal blood? The Bible tells us that Jesus is the first born, then the angels and among others Adam and Eve is said to be the pioneers of mankind. There were no kings and queens? The creator himself is the King.

Let us take Emperor Constantine as an example did he have any royal blood? He was the illegitimate son of a soldier and an inn-keeper-mother, finally he became an emperor; did he have any royal blood. Is there anyone who has a different colored blood other than red, regardless of their caste color and creed?

Israel never had kings but judges and Samuel was the first king among them. The Israelites cried for a king against the will of God; and God was very angry over their plea. In His anger He gave them a king so that the King they have asked for will persecute the Israelites. Saul was their first King; did he have any royal blood?

Then came David, a shepherd; did he have any royal blood? After Solomon Jeroboam became the king who was Solomon's servant, did he have any royal blood? God gave kings to the people who asked for it, to punish them, because it was against His will. Those people created their own fate against God's destination, and had endless suffering.

1 Samuel 15: 34 The Lord was sorry that He made Saul,
King of Israel

Through Prophet Hosea the Lord said, "O Israel I will destroy you, who can help you? Where is your King now, so that he may save you? Where in all your cities are your rulers, whom you said, give me a King and rulers? I gave you a King in my anger, and I took him away in my wrath" Hosea 13: 9

If this how the Lord sees a human king on the earth, would he ever tolerate any man's Kingdom, because the Lord is the King? Did He not teach us to pray, "*Thy Kingdom come*" because He is the only King and there will be none after Him and there was none before Him.

Many have become kings through rebellion and wars. When they become powerful rulers they proclaim themselves as Kings and emperors. For the same reason if stories are made like "Holy Blood and Holy Grail" and a descent through Mary of Magdalene, it is just absurd.

God is the only King
for the mankind

Either everyone Possess God's Royal Blood or no one has.

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Under the New Covenant, every one who receives the bread and wine has become of the same blood and flesh of Jesus. God has promised us to be The Royal Priests of God's Kingdom. In the presence of God, all are His Children and will be made equal to God in His Kingdom and not on the earth.

1 John 3: 2
When He is revealed to us
we will be like Him.

(After death we will be like God)

Have you ever seen this verse before, have you ever heard anyone preaching this before, I assume No. Why not, you think about it, why no one says anything about this? It is the responsibility of everyone to tell the truth to others so that the hearers can be benefited.

**Religion is man made,
And Holiness is Heavenly**

Beginning of Caste, Color, Creed, Religion & Languages

When a man becomes religious and ritualistic he goes far away from God, be what God wants you to be. Because of the wickedness of man; though he started from one root man got scattered out into many languages, caste, color, creed and religions.

Genesis 11: 7 – 9. The Lord said, "Behold, the people are one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. Let us go down, and confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech" So the Lord scattered them abroad from then upon the face of all the earth: and they left off from building the city.

Now the whole world is divided up in such a way nothing can bring them closer. If they stick together in God, then they will not rebel against God, but it wasn't like that, they joined together against God's will for that they were scattered. Everyone is using others; once the purpose is served he will be thrown out like refuse. People talk of traditions and hereditary, but what kind of quality do they have? When a shepherd became a king did any one think, he would not look after the people of the lowest strata?

He became one of the worst criminals; for the kind of crimes he committed he should have been hanged several times. Because he was a king he got away with it, but not from God. What are the qualities a king should possess in your imagination; have you seen anyone with that quality? I hope you may not have come across such people in your life and you may not even find anyone before you leave this planet. If you could find a righteous politician, husband, wife or children; then this world would have been heaven.

No one would be suffering for the lack of some thing.

Show me a bloodline or people of superb quality and their descendents.

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Even a well bred dog is worth less if it doesn't have the pedigree; then what Good is it to speak of royal blood line, without any quality of a king; give us a break?

Lion is said to be the King of the animals --- one of its strangest quality is twenty hours rest and sleep, out of twenty-four hours, who made him a king.

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

God is a mighty God who has sworn that He shall not part his Glory to anyone else; like in mythology he is not a slave to the lust or of the desires of the flesh.

Jesus left all the Glory of heaven and came down to this miserable earth only to save the people. It is not an easy thing to understand the whole Phenomena of crucifixion and salvation of mankind. Everything is based for the unseen things and promises of God. Human beings are trying to treat and think about Jesus; like a fellow citizen, who happened to be incarnated as a human being.

God can only grieve for His creatures until this miserable generation comes to an end. Just forget about Royal Blood and think about your good-relation with your fellow citizen.

Israel had kings for more than five hundred years and none of them were good. David went wrong but repented and became righteous.

Next-Ascension of mankind

Chapter 5

Ascension of Mankind

After Jesus' crucifixion salvation has been wide opened to those who have faith and obedience to God. You must confess to God. A true follower of Christ is supposed to be more devoted and less ritualistic and not divisive. He should be more tolerant and should not be disputatious or argumentative. Holy Spirit will guide you if you stick with the main theme of faith.

Mankind's ascension is widely described in fifteenth Chapter of Corinthians.

1 Corinthians 15: 12-34

1Corinthians 15:12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?

1Corinthians 15:13 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not risen:

1Corinthians 15:14 And if Christ has not risen, then our preaching is vain, and your faith is also vain.

1Corinthians 15:15 We are even found to be false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ: if He has not been raised up, then the dead are not raised.

1Corinthians 15:16 For if the dead is not raised, then Christ is not raised:

1Corinthians 15:17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; you are in your sins.

1Corinthians 15:18 Then those who are fallen dead in Christ are perished.

1Corinthians 15:19 If we have hoped only for this life in Christ, of all men we are the most miserable.

1Corinthians 15:20 But now Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that dead.

1Corinthians 15:21 For since by one man came death, by one man came the resurrection of the dead.

1Coirnthians 15:22 For as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

1Corinthians 15:23 But every man in his own order: Christ the first-fruits; afterward at His coming those who belong to Christ will also be raised.

1Corinthians 15:24 Then comes the end, when Christ shall destroy all rulers, authorities and powers and deliver the kingdom to God the Father; then Christ shall put down all rulers and all authority and power under Him.

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1Corinthians 15:29 What shall they do who are baptized for the dead, if the dead does not rise at all? Why are they then baptized for the dead?

The above verse, I have found to be very controversial among believers. Some take advantage to ridicule others.

It can be interpreted exactly in two ways. 1) Why are they baptized for the dead if the dead does not rise at all? 2) Why are they baptized for the dead – because the dead will rise? I Rather leave it for your own conviction and belief. My intention is to draw your attention to this so that you may read this over and to reach your own conclusion as guided by the Holy Spirit. No dispute will be helpful to reach eternity rather it can create confusion and ruin your and others belief and faith. So let me lead you through the next verse -----

1Corinthians 15:30 And why we stand in jeopardy every hour?

1Corinthians 15:31 I brag your rejoicing in Christ Jesus our Lord.

1Corinthians 15:32 I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantage it brings to me, if the dead rise not? Let us eat and drink; for to morrow we die.

1Corinthians 15:33 Do not be deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.

1Corinthians 15:34 Awake to righteousness and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.

Paul has proved and confirmed the Ascension of mankind after their death. Conviction is from your part. If you cannot accept and believe about a life after death then this effort is not suitable to you.

Prayers for the Dead

2Maccabees 12:29-45 From then they departed to Scythopolis, which lies six hundred furlongs from Jerusalem, But when the Jews that dwelt there had testified that the Scythopolitans dealt lovingly with them, and entreated them kindly in the time of their adversity; They gave them thanks, desiring them to be friendly still unto them: and so they came to Jerusalem, the feast of the weeks approaching.

*2Maccabees 12:32 And after the feast, called Pentecost, they went forth against Gorgias the governor of Idumea, Who came out with three thousand men of foot and four hundred horsemen. **And it happened that in their fighting together a few of the Jews were slain.** At which time Dositheus, one of Bacenor's company, who was on horseback, and a strong man, was still upon Gorgias, and taking hold of his coat drew him by force; and when he would have taken that cursed man alive, a horseman of Thracia coming upon him smote off his shoulder, so that Gorgias fled unto Marisa. Now when they that were with Gorgias had fought long, and were weary, Judas called upon the Lord, that he would show himself to be their helper and leader of the battle.*

2Macabees 12:37And with that he began in his own language, and sung psalms with a loud voice, and rushing unawares upon Gorgias' men, he put them to flight. So Judas

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gathered his host, and came into the city of Odollam, And when the seventh day came, they purified themselves, as the custom was, and kept the Sabbath in the same place. And upon the day following, as the use had been, Judas and his company came to take up the bodies of them that were slain, and to bury them with their kinsmen in their fathers' graves.

2Macabees 12:40 – 45 Now under the coats of every one that was slain they found things consecrated to the idols of the Jamnites, which is forbidden the Jews by the law. **Then every man saw that this was the cause wherefore they were slain.** All men therefore praising the Lord, the righteous Judge, who had opened the things that were hid, Betook themselves unto prayer, and besought him that the sin committed might wholly be put out of remembrance. Besides, that noble Judas exhorted the people to keep themselves from sin, for so much as they saw before their eyes the things that came to pass for the sins of those that were slain. And when he had made a gathering throughout the company to the sum of two thousand drachms of silver, he sent it to Jerusalem to offer a sin offering, doing therein very well and honestly, in that he was mindful of the resurrection: For if he had not hoped that they that were slain should have risen again, it had been superfluous and vain to pray for the dead. And also in that he perceived that there was great favor lay up for those that died godly, it was a holy and good thought. **Whereupon he made a reconciliation for the dead, that they might be delivered from sin.**

The above portion is from second 2Maccabees chapter 12 Verses 29-45 which is self-explanatory. Some of the modern churches do not agree to the idea of praying for the dead. I wish to repeat my request of drawing such subjects not for controversy. If you are convinced then accept it otherwise just forget it. You have plenty of other beneficial spiritual matters to take care.

How the dead are 'Raised'

1Corinthians 15:35 But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?

1Crinthianso 15:36 You fool, that which you sow must die before it can live and grow:

1Corinthians 15:37 And when you sow, it does not have the same body but later; you sow only a bare seed, may be a wheat or may be something else

1Corinthians15:38 But God gives it a body as it has pleased him, and to every seed is own body.

1Corinthians 15:39 All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds.

1Corinthians 15:40 There are also celestial bodies and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one and the glory of the terrestrial is another

1Corinthians 15:41 There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon and another glory of the stars: for one star differ from another star in glory.

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Resurrection of the Dead

1Corinthians 15:42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in ruin and decay; it is raised to life that cannot be destroyed:

1Corinthians 15:43 It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:

1Corinthians 15:44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

1Corinthians 15:45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.

1Corinthians 15:46 It was not the spiritual first, but it was the physical; and afterward that which is spiritual.

1Corinthians 15:47 The first man came from the earth and dust: the second man is the Lord from heaven.

1Corinthians 15:48 People belonging to earth are like the first man from the earth: and the man belonging to heaven is like the man in heaven.

1Corinthians 15:49 And as we have borne to the image of the man of the earth, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. (Man of the earth= Adam)

The last Transformation

1Corinthians 15:50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither does perishable inherit imperishable.

1Corinthians 15:51 Behold, I tell you a mystery; We shall not all sleep in death, but we shall all be changed,

1Corinthians 15:52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised to live for ever, and we shall be changed.

1Corinthians 15:53 For this body that can be perished must put on something that cannot perish, and this mortal must put on immortality.

1Co 15:54 So when this perishable shall put on imperishable, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then the scripture shall become true: Death is destroyed forever in victory.

1Corinthians 15:55 O death, where is your victory? O grave, where is your pain?

1Corinthians 15:56 The power of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

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1Corinthians 15:57 But thanks to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, stand strong. Do not let anything change you. Always be abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

Jesus gathers His Elect

Mathew 24:29-31 Jesus said, "Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other"

God separates the good and the Evil

Mathew 25:31-34 Jesus said, "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, you blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world"

John 14:1-4 Jesus said "Let not your heart be troubled: you believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. After I prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you myself so that you may be where I am. You know the way to the place I am going"

The Lord promises His kingdom that has been prepared from the beginning of the world for His elect. "*Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world*" He will come in His glory and separate the good and the bad people and will take the good along with Him where He is going to be. The red-letter words are spoken by the Lord and the rest is the elaboration. We have no mythology, philosophy, logic and no psychology everything is divine and historical and not Davinci Code type lies defacing the truth. It costs you nothing to believe and to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ. This is the greatest principles and doctrine man has ever received from God, for man's own good and for his everlasting life. Thousands of people have set out in their life in search of what is beyond man's death. The great Gauthama Buddha was the crown prince of Kalinga.

Buddha had a vision at an age of eighteen regarding the progressive growth of an infant to his old age and finally his death. Buddha began to think about it and left everything behind to seek the truth. The Bible reveals far beyond what the world has ever known. You may feel bit difficult in the beginning to practice God's commandments but very

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soon you will be used with it and will be able to reach a very remarkable level of spirituality, by reading this "Simple Divine Truth Books" and thereafter studying the Bible itself. By constant reading of the Bible without any outside help you will reach the heights of spirituality. These books can give almost all important principles described in the Bible. I hope this has been some help to you. For your better advancement in spirituality I would recommend the Bible itself, which is the original book of everything you may wish to know. Take any version of the Bible because Jesus is same in all. Please do not postpone because tomorrow is not yours until you go through. The entire knowledge is right in front of you. Decision is all yours to follow what you have learned.

Chapter 6

Man and Angel

Angels are spirits and they are not seen when you want. God sends his angels to fulfill His commandments. They are sent out to give God's messages, for protection of man and even to fight battles for you.

Revelation 19: 10 Apostle John fell at the angel's feet to worship him. And he (angel) said unto me, "See thou do it not: I am thy fellow-servant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy"

The point is you have to become deserving for that, in the sight of the Lord to get help from the angels. At the same time you have to accept and obey what the angel tells you but don't worship them.

When the angel appeared before John he worshipped him. The angel prevented him from doing so and said "Worship the Lord only" This is a great message for us because nothing can be achieved in this world unless we adore every man we approach even for a simple thing; we are not supposed to do like that.

Characters of the story -- Tobit

- Tobit** -- Father; and head of the family
- Anna** -- Tobit's wife
- Tobias** -- Tobit's and Anna's son
- Raguel** -- (A man in Ecbatane a city of Media)
- Sara** -- Raguel's & Edna's daughter
- Gabael** (in Rages of Media--) Gabael is the man whom Tobias entrusted ten talents of silver long ago.
- Azarias** - The traveler who accompanied Tobias

The story of "Tobit" is one of the finest men with too many morals I have seen in the Bible. This is a very fascinating story of an Angel and a man called TOBIAS. Tobias is the son of Tobit and Anna. Tobit has done only good things and obeyed the Laws of the eternal – but Tobit's life was just miserable.

This story has suspense and mystery and miracles besides all the valuable teachings of the scripture.

2 Timothy 3: 12 All those who desire to lead godly life will be persecuted.

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

You can see how precisely these two verses were fulfilled in Tobit's family. The only help Tobit had was the one who created him and nobody else. Without any choice Tobit

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depended on God and cried for His help. Tobit acknowledged and repented his ancestor's and his sins . He left every thing to God's final decision and disposal.

Tobit's prayer: ---

Tobit 3:5-6 "And now thy judgments are many and true: deal with me according to my sins and my father's: because we have not kept your commandments neither have walked in truth before you. Now therefore deal with me as seems best to you, and command my spirit to be taken from me, that I may be dissolved, and become earth: for it is profitable for me to die rather than to live, because I have heard false reproaches, and have much sorrow: command therefore that I may now be delivered out of this distress, and go into the everlasting place: turn not your face away from me"
Reproaches=Accusations and scolding

At the same time Raguel's and Edna's daughter Sara cried to the Lord as following:-

Tobit 3: 11- 15 Then she (Sara) prayed toward the window, and said, "Blessed are you, O Lord my God, and your holy and glorious name is blessed and honorable for ever: let all your works praise you for ever. And now, O Lord, I set my eyes and my face toward you, and say, take me out of the earth, that I may hear no more the reproach. You know, Lord, that I am pure from all sin with man, And that I never polluted my name, nor the name of my father, in the land of my captivity: I am the only daughter of my father, neither has he any child to be his heir, neither any near kinsman, nor any son of his alive, to whom I may keep myself for a wife: my seven husbands are already dead; and why should I live? But if it pleases not you that I should die, command some regard to be had of me, and pity taken of me, that I hear no more reproach"

Raguel and Edna is Tobit's tribal and distant relative and they are supposed to have even marriage alliances. Any other alliance is secondary to this. There were technical problems to conduct this marriage, which were resolved at the end because of God's mercy and help send through an angel.

The strangest thing is-Tobit's and Sara's cry were heard by the Eternal at the same time. The almighty decided to resolve the problems of Tobit and Sara at the same time for that He appointed an Angel.

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At this time Tobit remembered about the money he has entrusted to Gabael and told his son Tobias to collect it. Tobit gave the document of proof to Tobias and gave a great advice as stated below.

Tobit 4:5-21 *My son, be mindful of the Lord our God all your days, and let not your will be set to sin, or to transgress his commandments: do uprightly all your life long, and follow not the ways of unrighteousness. For if you deal truly, your doings shall prosperously succeed to you, and to all them that live justly. Give alms of your substance; and when you give alms, let not your eye be envious, neither turn your face from any poor, and the face of God shall not be turned away from you. If you haven't abundance give alms accordingly: if you have but a little, be not afraid to give according to that little: For you lays up a good treasure for yourself against the day of necessity. Because that alms do deliver from death, and suffer not to come into darkness. For alms is a good gift to all that give it in the sight of the most High. Beware of all whoredom, my son, and **chiefly take a wife of the seed of thy fathers, and***

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take not a strange woman to wife, which is not of thy father's tribe: for we are the children of the prophets, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: remember, my son, that our fathers from the beginning, even that they all married wives of their own kindred, and were blessed in their children, and their seed shall inherit the land. Now therefore, my son, love thy brethren, and despise not in thy heart thy brethren, the sons and daughters of thy people, in not taking a wife of them: for in pride is destruction and much trouble, and in lewdness is decay and great want: for lewdness is the mother of famine. (Lewdness=Laziness) Let not the wages of any man, which has wrought for you, tarry with you, but give him it out of hand: for if you serve God, he will also repay you: be circumspect my son, in all things you do, and be wise in all your conversation. Do that to no man which you hates: drink not wine to make thee drunken: neither let drunkenness go with thee in thy journey. Give of thy bread to the hungry, and of your garments to them that are naked; and according to your abundance give alms: and let not your eye be envious, when you give alms. Pour out thy bread on the burial of the just, but **give nothing to the wicked.** Ask counsel of all that are wise, and despise not any counsel that is profitable. Bless the Lord your God always, desire of Him that your ways may be directed, and that all your paths and counsels may prosper: for every nation has not counsel; but the Lord himself gives all good things, and he humbles whom he will, as he will; now therefore, my son, remember my commandments, neither let them be put out of your mind. And now I signify this to them that I committed ten talents to Gabael the son of Gabrias at Rages in Media. And fear not, my son that we are made poor: for you have much wealth, if you fear God, and **depart from all sin, and do that which is pleasing in His sight.**
Tobit 4:5-21 concludes here.

Tobit also told Tobias to find a man to travel with him. Tobias went in search and found a man who knew the place where Tobias wanted to go. The co-traveler pretended to be Tobit's distant relative namely Azarias. With the blessings and prayers of Tobias' parents, he set out for his journey with the newly found companion. On the way he had a bath in the Tigris-River where he encountered with a huge fish. Azarias the co-traveler told Tobias to catch the fish and to cut it and to take the heart and the liver and the gall, and put them up safely, which Tobias did.

Tobit 6:10 Azarias said to the young Tobias, Brother, to day we shall lodge with Raguel, who is thy cousin; he also has one only daughter, named Sara; I will speak for her that she may be given you for a wife.

Tobias refuted, because he knew, Sara was married seven times and every one of the husbands died on the first night itself before the groom could approach Sara. If Tobias marries her, he would be the eighth husband to die, which he didn't want to go through. He is the only son to his parents and doesn't have any sisters either.

Azarias told Tobias, he could resolve the problem provided Tobias could do exactly the way Azarias tells him. Tobias agreed and together they went to Raguel's and Edna's house. Tobias and Azarias were welcomed to their house and they were very happy to see Tobias.

Azarias presented Tobias' marriage proposal to Raguel, the girl's father. He was reluctant to accept and said, Sara was married seven times and each one of them died on the first night itself. Tobias was confident of Azarias plans so he insisted Raguel with the

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marriage demand. Finally Raguel agreed and Sara was married to Tobias according to Moses' commandment.

Tobit 7:13-14 Then Tobit called his daughter Sara, and she came to her father, and he took her by the hand, and gave her to be wife to Tobias, saying, Behold, take her after the law of Moses, and lead her away to thy father. And he blessed them; And called Edna his wife, and took paper, and did write an instrument of covenants, and sealed it.

Tobit 8:1-2 *And when they had supped, they brought Tobias in unto her. And as he went, he remembered the words of Azarias, and took the ashes of the perfumes, and put the heart and the liver of the fish thereupon, and made a smoke therewith.*

Tobit 8:3-4 The, which smell, when the evil spirit had smelled, he fled into the utmost parts of Egypt, and the angel bound him. And after that they were both shut in together, Tobias rose out of the bed, and said, Sister, arise, and let us pray that God would have pity on us.

You can see how the marriage between Tobias and Sara took place. The girl's father gave his daughter by hand and signed a marriage document with his seal. It was not in a church and there was no priest either. The marriage was done in the girl's father's house.

Tobias' Prayer on the First Night

Tobit 8:5-8 Then began Tobias to say, Blessed art thou, O God of our fathers, and blessed is thy holy and glorious name for ever; let the heavens bless thee, and all thy creatures. You made Adam, and gave him Eve his wife for an helper and stay: of them came mankind: you have said, "It is not good that man should be alone; let us make unto him an aid like unto himself" And now, O Lord, I take not this my sister for lush but uprightly: therefore mercifully ordain that we may become aged together. And she said with him, Amen.

Does any of the modern couple have any prayer at all? They go to a remote place for a drunken party and for further enjoyment?

Next morning Sara's father Raguel thought Tobias also might be dead like his predecessors. To his surprise Tobias was found alive and he praised God. By the time the girl's father covered up the grave already made for Tobias. They celebrated and feasted for fourteen days.

Then Tobias sends Azarias and some servants with him to go to Rages of Media to Gabael, and to bring the money, which he did.

Then Tobias got ready to return to his home. The girl's father Raguel gave half of all his wealth, maids and servants to Sara and blessed her.

Tobit 10:12 Raguel said to his daughter; Honor thy father and thy mother in law, which are now thy parents, that I may hear good report of thee. And he kissed her. Edna also said to Tobias, The Lord of heaven restore thee, my dear brother, and grant that I may see thy children of my daughter Sara before I die, Verses continued that I

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may rejoice before the Lord: behold, I commit my daughter unto thee of special trust; where are do not entreat her evil.

They traveled back to Tobias parents and Tobias had the Gall of the Fish with him. He gave it to his father to put the gall of the fish on his blind eyes. When he put that on his eyes it itched him and some scales fell off from his eyes and got his eyesight back.

Tobit and Azarias

Tobias 12:5-12 So Tobias called Azarias, and he said unto him, Take half of all that ye have brought and go away in safety. Then he took them both apart, and said unto them, Bless God, praise him, and magnify him, and praise him for the things which he hath done to you in the sight of all that live. It is good to praise God, and exalt his name, and honorably to show forth the works of God; therefore be not slack to praise him. It is good to keep close the secret of a king, but it is honorable to reveal the works of God. Do that which is good, and no evil shall touch you. Prayer is good with fasting and alms and righteousness. A little with righteousness is better than much with unrighteousness. It is better to give alms than to lay up gold: For alms doth deliver from death, and shall purge away all sin. Those that exercise alms and righteousness shall be filled with life: But they that sin are enemies to their own life. Surely I will keep close nothing from you. For I said, It was good to keep close the secret of a king, but that it was honorable to reveal the works of God. Now therefore, when thou didst pray, and Sara thy daughter in law, I did bring the remembrance of your prayers before the Holy One: and when thou didst bury the dead, I was with thee likewise.

Tobit 12:13-14 And when thou didst not delay to rise up, and leave thy dinner, to go and cover the dead, thy good deed was not hid from me: but I was with thee. And now God hath sent me to heal thee and Sara thy daughter in law.

Tob 12:15 Then Azarias said I am Raphael, one of the seven holy angels, which present the prayers of the saints, and which go in and out before the glory of the Holy One. Then they were both troubled, and fell upon their faces: for they feared. But he said unto them, Fear not, for it shall go well with you; praise God therefore. For not of any favor of mine, but by the will of our God I came; wherefore praise him for ever. All these days I did appear unto you; but I did neither eat nor did drink, but ye see a vision. Now therefore give God thanks: for I go up to him that sent me; but write all things which are done in a book. And when they arose, they saw him no more. Then Tobit and Tobias confessed the great and wonderful works of God, and how the angel of the Lord had appeared unto them.

Tobit was eight hundred and fifty years old when he lost his sight, which was restored to him after eight years.

{Deuteronomy 28:1-13} *Now if you give ear to the voice of the Lord your God, and keep with care all these orders which I have given you today, then the Lord your God will put you high over all the nations of the earth: And all these blessings will come on you and overtake you, if your ears are open to the voice of the Lord your God. A blessing will be on you in the town, and a blessing in the field. A blessing will be on the fruit of your body, and on the fruit of your land, on the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herd, and the young of your flock. A blessing will*

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be on your basket and on your bread-basin. A blessing will be on your coming in and on your going out. By the power of the Lord, those who take arms against you will be overcome before you: they will come out against you one way, and will go in flight from you seven ways. The Lord will send his blessing on your store-houses and on everything to which you put your hand: his blessing will be on you in the land which the Lord your God is giving you. The Lord will keep you as a people holy to himself, as he has said to you in his oath, if you keep the orders of the Lord your God and go on walking in his ways. And all the peoples of the earth will see that the name of the Lord is on you, and they will go in fear of you. And the Lord will make you fertile in every good thing, in the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your cattle, and the fruit of your fields, in the land which the Lord, by his oath to your fathers, said he would give you.

Deuteronomy 28 12-13 Opening his store-house in heaven, the Lord will send rain on your land at the right time, blessing all the work of your hands: other nations will make use of your wealth, and you will have no need of theirs. The Lord will make you the head and not the tail; and you will ever have the highest place, if you give ear to the orders of the Lord your God which I give you today, to keep and to do them.

The word of God is fulfilled and God blessed Tobit family abundantly. Tobit got a good daughter in law, his wealth and his lost sight. He lived happily through the rest of his days.

There are more than two hundred references regarding angels in the Bible.

I hope you have enjoyed the story. I would suggest you read the Bible itself for the further detailed study of the several true-stories. The book of Tobit in the Bible consists only fourteen small chapters. You can finish it within an hour or little more than that.

Most of all what is important is - obeying God's Commandments.

Next-The Sword

Chapter 7

The Sword

Mathew 26: 51-52 And, behold, one of them which were with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's, and smote off his ear. Then said Jesus to him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.

Mathew doesn't say who struck whom with the sword but John said.

John 18: 10 Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.

Isaac Newton who was a believer has put this explicitly through his inventions "For every action there is an opposite and equal reaction"

The disciples did not have to carry a sword of our imagination. What Peter had was a long knife brought to use at the time of the Passover feast.

Jesus and His disciples were coming after the Passover feast. Probably a large knife was needed and used for that occasion has been exaggerated as a sword. Whether it was a sword or knife it did the job about which Jesus said' *"Those who take the sword shall perish with the sword"* Mathew never mentioned in his writings who struck whom with the sword, because he never wanted to mention it which could give greater publicity of the incident that could bring severe punishment to Peter.

Peter aimed Malchus who came to arrest Jesus. Peter missed the real target and his ear was cut off. Peter was not an easy man he was rough and tough. He just could not stand still when his master was going to be taken away by the High-Priest's guards. Peter reacted instantly forgetting all the teachings he has learned from his master.

It was at a later stage, John wrote this incident in his gospel. By the time Peter was dead and nobody else could be punished for Peter's violence.

In Mathew 22: 38 it states, the disciples had two swords.

No matter what Peter did, Jesus healed Malchus immediately and said : --

Mathew 26: 52. Then said Jesus to him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.

Though Jesus told Peter, it applies to every human on the earth because it was the Lord who said it.

Next-Moses and Canaan

Chapter 8

Moses and Canaan?

Moses is the greatest among prophets and no one was greater than him before; no one greater than him will ever be born again. Even then the Lord has settled all the accounts of debts of sin with Moses. Following is Moses prayer to the Lord for the permission to enter Canaan. But the Lord has turned that down and told Moses not to pray for his admittance to the Promised Land.

Moses prayer to the Lord

*Deuteronomy 3: 23 -29 And I (MOSES) besought the Lord at that time, saying, O Lord God, thou hast begun to show thy servant thy greatness, and thy mighty hand: for what God is there in heaven or in earth that can do according to thy works, and according to thy might? I pray thee, let me go over, and see the good land that is beyond Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon. But the Lord was wroth (angry) with me for your (People of Israel) sakes, and would not hear me: and the Lord said unto me, Let it suffice thee; **speak no more unto me of this matter.** Get thee up into the top of Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold it with your eyes: for you shalt not go over this Jordan. But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land, which you shall see. So we abode in the valley over against Bethpeor.*

The Lord has shown one consideration to Moses by giving him a chance to have a bird's eye view over the Promised Land. Joshua succeeded Moses.

Reasons for God's wrath>

Deuteronomy 9: 7-14 Remember and forget not, how you provoked the Lord your God to wrath in the wilderness: from the day that you did depart out of the land of Egypt, until you came to this place, you have been rebellious against the Lord. Also in Horeb you provoked the Lord to wrath, so that the Lord was angry with you to have destroyed you. When I was gone up into the mount to receive the tables of stone, even the tables of the covenant which the Lord made with you, then I abode in the mount forty days and forty nights, I neither did eat bread nor drink water: And the Lord delivered unto me two tablets of stone written with the finger of God; and on them was written according to all the words, which the Lord spoke with you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.

Deuteronomy 9: 11 And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, that the Lord gave me the two tables of stone, even the tables of the covenant. And the Lord said unto me, "Arise, get you down quickly from here; for your people which you have brought forth out of Egypt have corrupted themselves; they are quickly turned aside out of the way which I commanded them; they have made them a molten image" Furthermore the Lord spoke unto me, saying, "I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiff-necked people, Let me alone, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven: and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they"

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Deuteronomy 32: 48-50 And the Lord spoke to Moses that selfsame day, saying, "Get thee up into this mountain Abarim, unto mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, that is over against Jericho; and behold the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel for a possession: And die in the mount whither you go up, and be gathered to your people; Deuteronomy 32: 48-52 "As Aaron thy brother died in mount Horeb, and was gathered unto his people: Because both of you trespassed against me among the children of Israel at the waters of Meribah-Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because you sanctified me not in the midst of the children of Israel. Yet you shall not see the land before you; but you shall not go thither unto the land which I give the children of Israel" Deuteronomy 34: 1-7 And Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto the mountain of Nebo, to the top of Pisgah that is over against Jericho. And the Lord showed him all the land of Gilead, unto Dan, And all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto the utmost sea, And the south, and the plain of the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, unto Zoar. And the Lord said unto him, This is the land which I swear unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed: I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither. So Moses the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord. And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Bethpeor: but no man knoweth of his sepulcher unto this day. And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

How Moses failed to obey and glorify God?

*Numbers 20:8, the LORD told Moses, "Take the staff, and you and your brother Aaron gather the assembly together. **Speak to that rock** before their eyes and it will pour out its water. You will bring water out of the rock for the community so they and their livestock can drink." Numbers 20:9-11 So Moses took the staff from the Lord's presence, just as He commanded him. He and Aaron gathered the assembly together in front of the rock and Moses said to them, "Listen, you rebels, must we bring you water out of this rock?" **Then Moses raised his arm and struck the rock twice with his staff.** Water gushed out, and the community and their livestock drank." Numbers 20:12 But the Lord said to Moses and Aaron, "**Because you did not trust in me enough to honor me as holy in the sight of the Israelites, you will not bring this community into the land I give them.**"*

Dishonoring the Lord in three ways

- 1) The Lord told Moses to speak to the rock. Since Moses was very angered by the behavior of the people, instead of speaking to the rock; he struck the rock with his staff. This is a disobedience to God's specific commandment.
- 2) Moses asked the people, whether Aaron and Moses should bring the water to the Israelites. This was a serious mistake – because it is not them who feeds the people but the Lord.
- 3) When the water gushed out, people were happy and did not bother to glorify God and all the credit went to Moses and Aaron. This was a great failure from Moses' part. Since The Lord Loved Moses very much He wanted to settle all the scores with Moses on the earth itself, so that Moses would die without any blemishes. For this reason Moses was not allowed to enter Canaan. Moses repented over his sins and the Lord must have forgiven him.

Chapter 9

Let The Dead Bury Their Dead

Luke 9: 59 Jesus said to another "Follow me". But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

Luke 9: 60 Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their dead: but you go and preach the kingdom of God"

Luke 9: 61 And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

Luke 9: 62 And Jesus said unto him, "No man, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God"

Both carries same meaning emphasizing eternal life is the only important thing. About the prodigal son the Father said, "He was dead and now alive, let us rejoice". He was not physically dead but spiritually.

A spiritually dead person was explained several times before. You must be aware of it and know that very well by now. You may live fully involved in all kinds of worldly matters; following Jesus is the most important thing. In fact this is something you have to do without any failure.

But man goes in his own way by justifying everything he does. Most of the people say if the tree of knowledge was not in the garden of Aden and the subsequent misdeeds of Adam and Eve we would have been better. God knew what He was doing; only we went wrong by disobeying His commandments.

Man is the only creature having reasoning power and communication skill unlike animals man never goes by natural instinct. He goes by the knowledge he acquired. As you know, man has developed his skills and technology from the early days of Stone Age to the present, so he can travel even beyond the earth to space.

When man acquires more technology, he becomes more proud and depends on himself and ignores God and not even willing to accept the fact that God exists.

Christ teaches as an educator and we are not willing to accept it. There is nothing new to teach but we keep repeating what has been already taught. Though there were millions of old songs, we look for new songs and new songs are not any better than the old ones.

The word of God never changed, but it is being repeated by generations after generations. Very few hearers are born again and the rest get lost. Farmers never stop farming even when they get bad crops - so as the preachers. Don't be surprised if God tells you, only ten out of twenty thousand are born again in a retreat. A preacher feels proud when he addresses a huge crowd and the number of people who has heard him. Only very few of the hearers produce the yield. You can stay with any category you want to be, with the chosen or with the condemned.

Chapter 10

Politics and Religion

Indian Politicians especially in the state of Kerala State in INDIA are on the spree and quoting from religious books and instigate people to tear others wealth apart for the so-called poor. It sounds great but there is no sincerity because most of the politicians themselves are very corrupt and extremely rich.

Politician promises you, a garden of Aden with milk and honey on the earth, for your generous donations to their party and for your votes. Once they come in power, they will fill their pockets and absolutely no justice will be done to anyone.

Religion promises you (1) escape from God's curses and punishments; (2) prosperity in everything you do on the earth; (3) Attainment of heaven (4) Peace for the dead souls (5) and everlasting life in heaven. These are the outcome for your generous donations to the Churches or what ever it is.

Though the Bible say in- *2 Corinthians 12:14 "I do not want, what is yours, but you"* the Christian institutions including Churches do not care for you, but only for your money.

The politics and the religion deceive you and you end your life in misery. Neither the politics nor the religion is better than the other. What does the government, of the people, by the people, for the people do? They harbor criminals, and evidences of the crimes are destroyed for their own benefit thereby denying justice.

"If the last resort for a scoundrel is politics" how can the politics do any good to anyone? Why these kinds of things are happening one after the other and they continue to do it because they don't fear God and they don't fear the law of the land either. They do not think that there is a God who is concerned for everyone. The Law is for the ruled and not for the rulers and they are above the law. Those who think there is a God; they don't fear Him; what a moral and spiritual degeneration of human beings?

The elected people are 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 had only killings and destroyed kingdoms, churches, monasteries and took over their wealth and lived like infallible emperors, which they call communism or socialism.

You can see only their dictatorship, or their party's dictatorship and corruption. How many honest politicians you have seen in the history? Politician's luxury and corruption is far beyond description.

After French revolution and Bolshevik revolution those countries have gone back to worst corruption world has ever seen. Communism in Russia and China has failed miserably and they are going back to the best Practicable system called capitalism, which is worse than everything else.

Next: Giving

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Chapter 11

Giving

The scripture is very clear about giving. Black sheep and anti-social elements are everywhere. The cause of a fund raising may appear to be genuine but it is not necessary that the money is properly utilized.

In the name of God every thing takes place! Some times you could be wrong in your assessments; 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 belongs to Him, (including all material and non material things). If you don't belong to Him, and throw some money, that brings you NO SPIRITUAL BENEFITS and absolutely no eternity!!

What you don't give to God -- is your heart!!
God is supposed to inhabit in your heart and not in your wealth--

Politicians scream to help the poor and they pretend as if they stand for the poor! Often they quote from the religious books and ridicule the religious people. The politicians show their ignorance and have seen and know only one side of the religious books.

What does the other side say, in the Bible?

*Sirach 12: 5 Do good to the humble
Sirach 12: 7 Give the one who is good*

*Sirach 12: 5 Do not give to the ungodly
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 the deserving, from the flock. You must have the willingness to give to the deserving and must have the courage to refuse the undeserving.

True deserving and Needy people don't have the talent to extort money from others. Only the professional money collectors and tricksters have the ability to do it.

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

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

When you give, it must be without any bad intention of a reward. You should not expect reputation on the earth or heavenly reward. If you have this attitude then only you can get heavenly reward. The reward can be of this world and mostly of the other world. You give because you can afford to give to the one who needs such help. You have to find such needy people. In India when the people go to Government offices they extort money for

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different purposes. There you are helpless and you have to pay. There are many places of spiritual establishments where priests in return of spiritual services forcibly collect money. They also say such money is utilized in some far away places to help the poor. What I would give to a man under my nose. Religious leaders have no business to collect money for any one. They are supposed to pray for the sheep, which they don't do. They are running all kinds of establishments and get caught for corrupt practices. Tell me who will pray for the sheep if not the shepherd?

You can see many religious books are being sold at sky-high prices. Their intention is to collect money and fail to give that word of God books at printers cost which could help millions of people.

2 Thessalonians 3: 10 & 12 Anyone un-willing to work should not eat: Such persons are commanded to exhort in the Lord to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

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 – "**NO WORK > NO FOOD**". How about unemployment benefits and food stamps? There are many who work in distant places and draw such benefits. Such people can think about their own righteousness.

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, He hates, and intends to punish the unproductive, lazy, treacherous and parasitic and blood sucking 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 working people and hates unproductive people. The scripture forbids the supporting of the wicked. The idea is to make him realize and to come to the main stream of the good and righteous – and not to starve him to death.

The poor is given all the help by every one else for their survival. Kerala State in India is a paradise of inter-state and local beggars.

If you don't obey the religious books, you should be struck with a lasso like Jesus did? This is what the politician of Kerala State quote from the Bible about the priests.

Bible is only a shield for the politicians to attack the Christians. When they don't believe in any gods why should they tell you to obey what is in the Bible or in any other religious books?

This is only a politician's game, for the public support and to demoralize the Christians by tarnishing them.

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Though abundant political games played in religion itself; true religion and politics are two poles apart. Like God and wealth; politics and religion can never go together. Politics is of the material and seen world and Religion is of non-material and unseen world.

It is next to impossible to put faith in unseen things where as it is easy to believe what is seen as wealth to the naked eye.

When religion go-by strictest self discipline, sacrifice and selflessness, politics go by dirty games and worldly pleasures and power and amassing of wealth. When religion goes against all kinds of degeneration and deterioration of moral and spiritual values, politics drown in corruption and immorality.

Religion is to loose material benefits and social power -- politics is to grab power and money.

A true spiritual man will never get in to politics, where as a politician can easily quote from any religious books and Bible; just like Satan preaching gospel to Jesus.

If you look at all the aspects of RELIGION and POLITICS, you can easily tell who could really tarnish, demoralize and ridicule the other.

Rather than challenging one another's integrity, honesty and sincerity let each one keep their mouth shut and do their own business.

The public doesn't enjoy these kinds of dirty games but they only hate it. That doesn't bother those shameless politicians so they continue to be the way they are. If you are a politician you are going to be raged and destroy anyone one who speaks against you.

Politics always have been a dirty game regardless it is played by a king, president, prime minister or a military commander. None of them strictly go by the God's commandments. You cannot please the subjects with spiritual ethics. They are not prepared to take it but you have to be clean in all your dealings regardless of your success or failure in the life.

I do not stand for any political party and vote for any one.

Whom to vote?

No one is better than the other.

The biggest mistake is with the public because they re-elect the wicked and the corrupt. Look at any country this phenomenon is all the same. Thereby things will go from bad to worse. The history has recorded about several of high ranking corrupt officials saved by their own country.

The politicians often speak of greatest philosophy to get the votes. They often use big terminologies like equality, brotherhood, and equal justice for the people and so forth. They get nowhere near they have preached once they are elected. Just take upper-class people regardless of class color creed and religion – when they get a beautiful girl they will do adultery and if that is not possible they will rape her and disown it. They will never marry them and will always speak of un-touchability and status. Once a very high

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official told me, "You do not know what is going on here, all are corrupt and adulterers" They have plenty of opportunity to live like that. This is the society we are talking about. Man is very much incapable to resist temptations – only God can help you. Politician is far-off from God, how can the politician stay uncorrupt?

Whether it is capitalism, socialism, communism or dictatorship, it is all the same. It is the mind that takes you through all the forbidden thoughts and makes you do it. If you have no self-discipline and self-control you are lost, you have become another victim of corruption.

Human mind and its strangeness and its repercussions

Human mind is the most powerful and deceptive and vicious organization every man has. It does mislead and confuse himself from God's righteousness; about which he himself is not aware of. Often he doesn't want and doesn't care to be aware of such truth, but fulfill his human and worldly desires.

As a result even when the man does all the wickedness instead of feeling guilty, he defends and justifies himself. He glorifies himself as the greatest and pretends to be a perfect man. He ridicules and scorns others to establish he is great and right even when he is worthless.

At the same time a momentarily controlled and a suppressed mind is a sleeping 'Volcano' it may or it may not burst. If it were controlled with the word of God he has to hang on to it until his dying day otherwise he would lose the game.

Suppressed mind can be three types: -

- 4) Mind controlled with his strong will power obtained through different kinds of mind training and related scientific methods.
- 2) A mind that does not retaliate immediately; (Because of his inability to strike back)
- 3) A mind waiting for the right opportunity to strike back heavily.

If your mind is controlled by the word of God, then it is based on your total forgiveness to others and also to yourself through obeying God's commandments. Even then don't be too sure, you can keep it in control always. You may lose your self-control in a much tensed and defeated situation forgetting all the commandments.

When Moses was in the desert with the Israelites they ran out of water. Even after seeing many miracles and wonders Israelites lost their patience and faith in God and kept murmuring and quarreling with Moses.

*Numbers 20:8, the LORD told Moses, "Take the staff, and you and your brother Aaron gather the assembly together. **Speak to that rock** before their eyes and it will pour out its water. You will bring water out of the rock for the community so they and their livestock can drink."*

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Though the Lord has described Moses as a peaceful man, Moses lost his control and struck the rock with his staff two times; where he was suppose to speak to the rock. This angered The Lord very much because Moses did not obey the Lord as he was told.

Representing and revolting for the weaker section and against injustice is not the monopoly of communism and socialism. People rebelled against social injustice from the early stage of man.

Such mutiny was considered to be a crime and those people were suppressed and were punished severely in the early days of man. Jesus also came to establish social and spiritual justice. His teachings reflected only through peaceful advice. Absolutely no violence is permitted. Jesus taught to forgive one another so that the quarrels will not flare up in to a social issue and civil war so that such unrest will subside.

In India politics is enforced by terrorizing and extorting the people. People fear the politicians to oppose their injustice and lawlessness.

Democracy is the biggest form of Government world has ever seen which could bring social justice and that is the biggest failure. The majority who comes in to power through an election rules the people. Electorates become powerless after the election and they have no authority to remove whom they have elected once. Very often you can see, corrupt people are being elected over and over again. So the elected people live like unquestionable kings. You can see only their dictatorship; no matter the head of the government is a President or a Prime minister, which doesn't make any difference.

The elected want to do many things, which will increase their cheap popularity, but they don't have the basic knowledge of when and where and how a reform is to be made. They do everything 'benefit motivated' for the self and their party. When they rule, everything goes wrong because they don't care for the God's Laws and the law of the land. Even the so-called Christian countries don't care about God's Laws.

If politicians cannot care for God's laws at least they should be honest and go by the law of the land. Let us pray for them to do better in this world, where we can see the true result.

Next-Melchizedek

Chapter 12

Melchizedek

In the book of Genesis, Melchizedek is described as a king of Salem (of ancient Jerusalem) and a priest of El-Elyon who worshipped the Most-high God. Abraham and Mechezedek were not known to each other. Mechezedek blessed Abraham after Abraham's victory at the valley of Shaveh when Abraham gave his tithes to Mechezedek.

Genesis 14:1 The battle of four kings against the king of Sodom and his allies

Genesis 14:12 Lot is taken prisoner

Genesis 14:14 Abram rescues Lot

Genesis 14:17 Melchizedek blesses Abram at his return, who gives him tithes

Genesis 14:21 The rest of the spoil, his partners having had their portions he restores to the king of Sodom.

Genesis 14: 17-20 And the king of Sodom went out to meet Abraham after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale. And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the Most-high God. And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth: and blessed be the Most-high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

David has referred Mechezedek in Psalms 110 as a pioneer of the Jesus' priesthood.

In Hebrews 5: 7 Paul explains, the priest hood of Christ was not after the order of **AARON** but of **MELCHEZEDEK**. Aaron failed to be a good priest when he made a calf for the Israelites to worship, when they were at Mount Sinai.

If you ask why all these complications, you can never find any answer in the Bible – that is the way God wanted it to be done. All these things point to one thing – God always admires and gives the right reward to an honest and a sincere man who has faith in Him. Those denominations who have priests, talk a lot about Mechezedek and his priesthood. Others describe about the tithes Abraham has given to Mechezedek for fund raising. You are not to follow the ups and downs of:--

- 1) Melchezedek (A priest and a king)
- 2) Aaron (Priest)
- 3) Constantine (Head of Priest and Emperor, The Great, Saint)
- 4) Caiphas; (High priest who lead Jesus to crucifixion)

You must follow only Jesus Christ, who is infallible and perfect and nobody else.

Jesus said to follow Him; there is not even a second person. All these priests are from the earth; Jesus is the only priest who has come from heaven. All earthly priests are imperfect, they have to sanctify and have sacrifice themselves first from time to time. Jesus Himself became a sacrifice for our salvation and does not need any sanctification because He is Holy all the time. He is everything and He is God. He has got all the authority of heaven and the earth. Jesus does the intercession for the entire mankind and nobody else is more powerful than Him.

Chapter 13

Twelve Curses

God's commandments never ended with the 'TEN' that was given through Moses at Mount Sinai. God kept elaborating them at different occasions through His prophets. Some of the followings are same as it was given in the Ten Commandments.

Deuteronomy 27: 15-26:--

1) *Cursed be the man that makes a graven or molten image, an abomination to Jehovah, a work of the craftsman's hand, and puts it up secretly!*

2) *Cursed be he that dishonors his father or his mother!*

3) *Cursed be he that removes his neighbor's landmark! And all the people shall say, Amen.*

4) *Cursed be he that makes the blind to wander out of the way!*

5) *Cursed be he that perverts the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow! And all the people shall say, Amen.*

6) *Cursed be he that lies with his father's wife; for he uncovers his father's skirt!*

7) *Cursed be he that lies with any manner of beast!
And all the people shall say, Amen.*

8) *Cursed be he that lies with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother!*

9) *Cursed be he that lies with his mother-in-law!*

10) *Cursed be he that smites his neighbor secretly!*

11) *Cursed be he that takes reward to smite mortally (shedding) innocent blood!*

12) *Cursed be he that confirms not the words of this law to do them!*

Because there are 12 curses, 12 disciples, 12 tribes and 12 months Etc, there is no numerology involved in it. Seven and its multiples are used for Sabbaths. Seven lamps are described in revelations. Don't be misled by several of the numbers frequently used in the scripture. They carry no myth but God's will.

Next-Holy Sacraments

Chapter 14

Seven Sacraments

Some of the Churches teaches, Sacraments are the symbolic representation of Invisible grace of God

Seven Sacraments of Catholic Churches

- 1) **Baptism** – Original sin is removed by Baptism
- 2) **Repentance** – Must confess to the priest
- 3) **The Eucharist**, considered as accepting of the actual body and blood of Christ.
- 4) **Confirmation**, a formal acceptance into the church (First Communion)
- 5) **Anointing of the sick** combined with confession and the Eucharist -- (known as the last rites)
- 6) **Holy Orders**, the process by which men are ordained to priesthood.
- 7) **Matrimony**, (A divine Ceremony of wedding)

1 John 2: 27 As for you, the Spirit which he gave you is still in you, and you have no need of any teacher; but as his Spirit gives you teaching about all things, and is true and not false, so keep your hearts in Him, through the teaching which he has given you.

Ten Commandments and Churches

It might look so simple to see how lightly the commandments are taught by some of the different Churches.

As it is in the Bible

Second Commandment:-- *"Thou shall not make any graven image or any likeness of anything; that is in heaven above, or that in earth beneath, or that in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down thyself at them, nor serve them: for the Lord thy God a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children un to the third and the fourth generation of them that hate me: And showing mercy un to thousands of them that love, and keep my commandments"*

Fourth Commandment: -- *"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it Holy. (Continued)*

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Six days thou shalt labor and do all thy work But the seventh day the Sabbath of the Lord thy God in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy maid servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger, that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and the earth, the sea, and all that in them, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it"

Tenth Commandment: -- *"Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, his wife, nor his man servant, nor his maid servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything thy neighbors"*

Catholic Churches omitted Second commandment---

Fourth Commandment -- *"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it Holy"* is taken and the rest is omitted, thereby avoiding the seventh day Sabbath.

Tenth Commandment is split in to two and made nine and ten. When second commandment is removed they are left with only nine to make it ten; tenth commandment is split in to two as following.

9) Thou shall not covet thy neighbor's wife

10) Thou shall not covet thy neighbor's goods

Orthodox Churches of The East (Kerala-State; India)

Second Commandment: -- following part is not included in English Sunday school book of Standard V: -- And in regional language book it is further cut.

"Thou shall not bow down thyself at them, nor serve them: for the Lord thy God a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and the fourth generation of them that hate me: And showing mercy un to thousands of them that love, and keep my commandments"

Tenth Commandment is as following:--You shall not covet anything that belongs to others. You may see it for yourselves, for what and why these changes were made. Does any one on the earth have the authority to make changes in God given Commandments?

Acts 5: 29 We must obey God rather than men.

{Revelations 22:18-19 For I say to every man to whose ears have come the words of this prophet's book, If any man makes an addition to them, God will put on him the punishments which are in this book: And if any man takes away from the words of this book, God will take away from him his part in the tree of life and the holy town, even the things which are in this book. He who gives witness to these things says, Truly, I come quickly}

Next- Negligence is inexcusable

Chapter 15

Negligence is inexcusable

A man and a woman from Levite tribe got married and a child born to them was called Moses. He grew up in Pharaoh's palace. When Moses happened to kill an Egyptian, he fled from the palace to escape his death penalty from Pharaoh. He lived in Midian and married Reuel priest's daughter; Zipporah.

Years went by and on one day the Lord told him to go to Egypt to speak to Pharaoh to liberate Israelites. On his way to Egypt, God's angel appeared to kill Moses.

Exodus 4:24-26 And it came to pass by the way in the inn, that the LORD met him, and sought to kill him. Then Zipporah took a sharp stone, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and cast it at his feet, and said, surely you are a bloody husband to me. So he let him go: then she said, A bloody husband thou art, because of the circumcision.

The Lord's angel met Moses, to kill him

Moses was on his way to Egypt to speak to Pharaoh to liberate Israelites as it was commanded by the Lord. On this way, the Lord's angel stopped Moses to kill him. God executes his will through His word or through the angels send for the particular mission. Though this part is not elaborated in the Bible, this is what we should assume. In any case Zipporah understood what was going to happen to Moses and in which way she could escape.

When the angel appeared, before Moses could do anything, Zipporah rushed in and did the circumcision of their son and cast it at his feet. This Zipporah's act gives us the clear picture of Moses and Zipporah's failure to do the circumcision of their son and they very well knew it. Whether they knowingly ignored it without thinking, the Lord meant to give such severe punishment is not clear.

Ignorance of law is inexcusable in any of the land on the earth. Before God, negligence of God's Commandments is also inexcusable.

When Moses was Chosen for a great Spiritual mission, God could not tolerate any negligence from Moses, far as the Lord's Commandments are concerned. Later through Moses the commandments were given and he is the one who is going to enforce it. Negligence is a serious sin. This proves people in the high offices are more severely dealt with.

When Zipporah got Moses back from death, he got a new life and Zipporah got a new husband at her sons blood sacrifice. In Exodus 4: 26- Zipporah said, "**A bloody husband thou art, because of the circumcision**"

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Her remarks are not the important thing but her admittance of guilt, repentance and sacrifice saved Moses.

Probably she may have been the reason for not conducting her son's circumcision. It is not an easy thing to watch the circumcision on a newborn child especially on the eighth day. Even in twentieth century circumcision of newborns in hospitals are not taken lightly. When a son was born to me decades ago in a hospital I could not authorize for a circumcision considering its cruelty. I am not religiously bound to do it. Hospitals do it on the basis of health care with the parent's permission.

This incident gives a frightening warning to Moses and also to others for the negligence of God's commandments.

Since after Jesus crucifixion we don't see this type of instant punishments, thereby we are getting more spoiled. This does not mean there is no accountability of your sin. God said you will be punished for all your evil thoughts, every word you speak and for every evil act you do. He is giving some more time for you to repent and to come back like the prodigal son. If you don't come back God is going to destroy you and your family.

You may ask why so many stories and parables are given in the Bible. It is through different situations God's commandments are being elaborated for our better understanding and how we should survive such occasions.

Why we should bother whether Moses' son is circumcised or not, certainly you don't have to bother about it. The moral of this incident is, if you neglect God's commandments; regardless you are under Old Testament or New Testament you are liable for God's wrath.



Chapter 16

7 Sins & 7 Virtues

I) **Lust (fornication, excessive sexual desire)**
x **Chastity** (purity of soul)—

II) **Gluttony** (over-indulgence)
x **Temperance** (self-control)

III) **Greed** (covetousness, avarice, emotion)
x **Charity** (giving)

IV) **Sloth** (also accidie, acedia)
x **Diligence** (zeal, strong initiative)

V) **Wrath** (anger, hate)
x **Forgiveness** (composure)

VI) **Envy** (jealousy)
x **Kindness** (admiration)

VII) **Pride**, vanity
x **Humility**, humbleness, modesty

The above seven sins ad virtues are declared by the Catholic Church; which is an extract from thr Bible.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, consists 2,865 numbered sections and was published in 1992 by the order of **Pope** John Paul II.

Punishments for the seven deadly sins are described below according to them.

Sins and Punishments

I) Lust: Smothered in brimstone and fire

II) Gluttony: Force-fed rats, toads, and snakes

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III) Greed: Boiled in oil

IV) Sloth: Thrown into a snake pit

V) Wrath: Dismembered alive

VI) Envy: Put in freezing water

VII) Pride: Broken on the wheel

I have the least idea about the origin of the accountability of the above punishments. The bible describe the everlasting fire with brimstone, crying and gnashing of teeth Etc. of hell.

Hell

Mathew 5: 22 **Hell of fire**

*Mathew 8: 12 But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into **outer darkness**: there shall be **weeping** and **gnashing of teeth**.*

*James 3: 6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on **fire of hell**.*

*2Peter 2: 4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into **chains of darkness**, to be reserved unto judgment;*

*Jude 1: 7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of **eternal fire**.*

*Rev 19: 20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a **lake of fire burning with brimstone**.*

The above are the some of the references about hell I could find in the Bible.

I do not think, anyone would disagree to the fact, these are not sins because they are branded sins stated in the Bible. If you are misled to the fact, these are the only sins then you are in big trouble.

Sin is the violation of God's commandments, they are of two kinds.

- 1) Doing things which are forbidden
- 2) Not obeying you are told to do.

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The whole Bible is elaborating these two aspects of God's commandments only.

If you emphasise few violations of god's commandments and ignore the rest will put you in big trouble. All commandments are equally important. The intensity and severeness of punishments may vary, but that is not the point. God wants yo to become perfect according to His stipulations. In one way or other you will be made perfect like a clear crystal by settling all your debts, like He has done to Moses. You cannot enter heavens not even with small blemish. May be Moses and few others scores may have been settled on the earth itself but not the rest.

You suffer a lot while you are on the earth, there will be a lot more to suffer, and you will be facing about everything you have spoken, thought and done. When the punishments are over, you will be resting and waiting for the final day of elect or condemnation.

Next-Prayers at advanced level

Chapter 17

Prayer at Advanced Level

In Catechism Published in Vaticana (November 4, 2003) begins its preface with following three verses

(I) *John 17: 3* (Jesus said) *This is eternal life, that they may know you, (FATHER) the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent."*

(II) *1 Timothy 2:3-4* "God our Savior desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth."

It is surprising to note the, following verse is not included in the beginning of Catechism:-

1 Timothy 2: 5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus

(III) "There is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved" - than the name of JESUS. Acts 4:12

How to Pray in Spirit

Literal meaning of Prayer is -- To appeal to a superior person to grant something at his request.

From the religious point, this plea is from a man to God. This plea does not confine just one factor alone – which is material benefit but also spiritual.

Prayer Comprises Following

(I) Praising

A prayer must begin with Praising of God

Praising brings God's Presence

When two or more than two are gathered in Jesus' name Jesus will be there.

(He is present as God – Priest, Intercessor – and as redeemer) Praising is your defense against your satanic enemies and will be relieved from your Bondages.

(II) a. Worshipping

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Worship (Adoration) /Fellowship (Companionship)/ Uniting with God
You do this Due to your love for God. You can worship with your body (Tongue)
and mind. Body + Mind = (SOUL)

Mathew 26: 40-42 Jesus said "Could you not stay awake with me one hour. The spirit is willing but your flesh is weak"

When your body is weak, you fall asleep when you pray.

Mind Consists: --

- 1) Conscious Mind
- 2) Sub conscious Mind
- 3) Unconscious Mind
- 4) Will, desire
- 5) Emotion
- 6) Intellect

(II) b. Worshipping in Spirit

Though you don't recognize your spirit and the real prayer coming from your own spirit.

When the human spirit prays, his spirit unites with Holy Spirit and conducts a TRUE, NEEDFUL and USEFUL PRAYER.

John 4: 24 Jesus said, "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him, must worship in Spirit and Truth"

This could happen only when you deny yourself and submit yourself to God.

Once you have submitted yourself to God you cannot do a thing without God's consent. Then your body and mind is subjected to your own spirit. Then your mind is under the influence of God's Spirit.

Then your spirit will tell you through your conscience what is right and wrong – and what is acceptable to God.

If God is willing to elevate you He will bless you with the functions of Holy Spirit.

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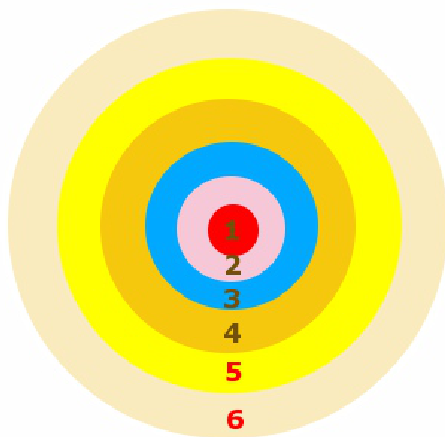
Function of Spirit Consists: --

- 1) Adoration
(Worshipping or Communion with God)
- 2) Conscience (ability to know right and wrong)
- 3) Inner Mind / man's Spirit has three functions
 - a) Sensing of spirit
 - b) Doing miracles
 - c) Intuitions and Visions/ insight (these are of four kinds) :-

Kinds of Visions

- 1) Images and signs
- 2) Visions in writings
- 3) Intuitions (Insight) in messages
- 4) Propheying future

Six divisions of Mind



- 1) Mans Spirit (Innermost mind)
- 2) Conscience
- 3) Unconciuous mind
- 4) Subconciuous mind
- 5) Consciuous mind
- 6) Body (Five senses, Brain, Sex)

(III) Supplications

Confession

Request for protection from evil

Pray for help and strength to resist temptation

(IV) Thanks Giving

(V) Conclude your prayer with **praising** once again

If you analyze the Prayer Jesus has taught "Our Father" it comprises in the following way.

(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 –
Yours is the Kingdom and power and Glory forever

If you have not reached this level of praying in Spirit, you are an infant. Then your prayers are far below God's expectation and will not serve its purpose.

Hebrew 5: 11-13 Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing. For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. **For every one that uses milk is un-skilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.**

Hebrew 5:14 But strong meat belongs to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

Romans 8: 26-27 Likewise the Spirit also helps our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself makes intercession for us with groaning which cannot be uttered. And he that searches the hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

Romans 8: 33-34 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifies. Who is he that condemn? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is

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risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

*1Corinthians 6:16-17 What? know ye not that **he which is joined to an harlot is one body?** For two, says he, shall be one flesh. **But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.***

Man's Flesh to Harlot's flesh = One flesh
Man's Spirit to God's Spirit = One Spirit

1Corinthians 6:19 What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which you have of God, and ye are not your own?

1Corinthians 14:14 If I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

Understanding = Mind is aware of the prayer

Paul explains – When his spirit alone is praying in tongue his mind is not praying. So he will pray with his tongue and with his mind.

So you must do the following

Ephesians 6:18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit

*Romans 12 : 1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that **you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.***

1Theslonians 5:17-19 Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Quench not the Spirit.

Next-Angels Present your Prayers before God

Chapter 18

Angels present your prayers before God?

Following verse is spoken by Raphael to Tobit, in the book of Tobit of Old Testament.

Tobit 12:12 Now therefore, when you did pray, and Sara thy daughter in law, I did bring the remembrance of your prayers before the Holy One: and when you did bury the dead, I was with you likewise.

Tobit 12:13 And when you did not delay to rise up, and leave your dinner, to go and cover the dead, your good deed was not hid from me: but I was with you. (I=Raphael)

Tobit 12:14 And now God has sent me to heal you and Sara your daughter in law.

Tobit 12:15 I am Raphael, one of the seven holy angels, which present the prayers of the saints, and which go in and out before the glory of the Holy One.

Tobit 12:16 Then they were both troubled, and fell upon their faces: for they feared.

Tobit 12:17 But he said unto them, Fear not, for it shall go well with you; praise God therefore.

Tobit 12:18 For not of any favor of mine, but by the will of our God I came; wherefore praise him for ever.

Tobit 12:19 All these days I did appear to you; but I did neither eat nor drink, but you did see a vision.

*Tobit 12:20 Now therefore give God thanks: for I go up to him that sent me; but **write all things which are done in a book.***

Tobit 12:21 And when they arose, they saw him no more.

Tobit 12:22 Then they confessed the great and wonderful works of God and how the angel of the Lord had appeared unto them.

I have given the full context of Raphael's presence with Tobit's son and also Raphael's presentation of prayers before God on Tobit's behalf. Tobit and his family never knew Raphael and they never prayed to him for help. God send Raphael for Tobit's help. God appointed Raphael for the intercessional prayers on behalf of Tobit. If you pay more attention to the scripture, you can see, God appoints angels for your protection and intercessional prayers. For every man who obeys God's commandments, God provides what is needful to him.

Angels help man when God tells him to do – do you think angels will come to you when you pray to them? Angels cannot do a thing without God's commandment to them. If we

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can manipulate angels, where is God's authority over them? Only in sixteenth century, man began to lean on several saints and angels for their intercessional prayers leaving Jesus Christ aside.

This is in violation of what is said in Acts 4: 12.

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

At the same time you are ignoring verses said in **Mathew 18: 20** *For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.*

Mathew 18: 19 *Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.*

The above three verses clearly tells us His presence and His assurance of His answer to your prayers. Jesus' promises and assurances can be fulfilled only when you obey His Commandments.

1 Timothy 2: 5 *For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.*

Please refer:-

(1) The Simple Divine Truth Book 2: Chapter 2, Jesus' Authority

(2) The Simple Divine Truth Book 1: Chapter 19, Prayers Not Granted.

These two chapters will explain Jesus' authority and why your prayers are not answered. It does not say anywhere in the Bible, you should seek the help of anyone other than Jesus. Different Churches have different teachings of word of God. If you strictly go by the Bible there is no second person to Jesus including Mother Mary and no other way.

This is not for a dispute; you go by your conviction. I must admit, I knew nothing about true teaching of Christ until I began to read and study the Bible of my own. Regardless of denomination I would listen to everybody's preaching and I could learn a lot. I do not bother about the preachers' denomination but how he understand the Bible and explains it. What you study from the Bible is not put in to actual practice; you will be facing a very strict final Judgment. Nobody can help you at that moment.

Jesus will never be a soft speaking kindhearted humble human being but God of all the authority either saving or condemning you for ever on the Day of Judgment.

Next-Who can give Baptism

Chapter 19

Who Can Give Baptism

The following is shown in The Catechism of Catholic Church PART II Section 2 ARTICLE IV and V

Article IV. Who Can Receive Baptism?

Paragraph 1246 of Catechism says, anyone who has not received baptism is eligible for Baptism.

The Baptism of adults

Paragraph 1247 of Catechism says, from the beginning of Christianity adult Baptism was in Practice.

The Baptism of infants

This is considered as a tradition of such churches. During apostolic preaching the household got baptized. The Churches believe infants were also included. A Godfather is deputed to take an oath on behalf of the Child.

WHO CAN BAPTIZE?

Paragraphe 1256 of Catechism says only Priests, and bishops have the authority to give baptism. In case of necessity, anyone, even a non-baptized person can baptize by using the Trinitarian baptismal formula. That is in the name of >THE FATHER< THE SUN< AND >THE HOLY SPIRIT>. Though this is in Catechism no church would accept such baptism and no church will tolerate it.

Churches always keep their ego, authority and superiority. They wish to keep their laymen within the framework of their church rules, which is far away from God's commandments. Church can see only what man does but God reads mans thoughts. When churches pass judgments God disposes them. Even when a man is in deep trouble on the earth, God saves him to eternity. You saw that at Calvary. If a man undergoes a baptism without a true conviction – he is acceptable to the church but not to God. In fact you are caught in-between your church and your God.

Can you do everything acceptable to your Church and to your God at the same time, if you cannot what would you do? Paul says to obey God and not man. If you obey God and displease your Church – don't create disputes and quarrels. Always remember God's Commandments are to obey and not for debate.

Jesus said, "Those who want, let them listen". Even when God has given that much of freedom to men, church has not. Church wants to keep their discipline at the loss of laymen's eternity. The strictness of the church will never bring a man to repentance but your tolerance and care for them. This is what God did. He hates sin but loves the sinners. Because of His love, man is brought back to redemption. If the churches do not impose their rules and condemnation on believers, many will come to the mainstream of

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faith. The disputes and quarrels between churches will subside and there will be a total peace.

I underwent a child baptism and I do not wish to create a dispute, which is right or wrong. If you happened to undergo a baptism regardless it was child/ adult then you must produce the fruit of it.

So far I did not even think of an adult baptism.

The groups that conduct adult baptism ridicule who does the child baptism -- and the groups that conduct child baptism mock at who does not do it.

Though we all know what the Bible says, many churches are not prepared to accept everything what is said in the Bible. This is the reason for all the disputes between churches.

At the same time different churches hate to accept a person belonging to another denomination, the way they are. I know of a church who demanded a remarriage to give membership in their church, which the couple refused. This is the story of two traditional churches. I also know about churches who refused to give communion to one, belonging another church.

When Jesus healed many non-Jews did He say to get circumcised first and become a Jew before He could heal?

Don't depend on my suggestion; you must go by your own conviction. If you think Child-baptism was not enough go for an Adult-baptism. Like I said before I do not promote any denomination but only the word of God. If you find something not acceptable just forget it. To be honest church cannot deny anyone anything acceptable to God. They don't have even the spiritual rights an authority to excommunicate anyone.

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Chapter 20

Poor in Spirit

Mathew 5: 3- 12 deals with blessings given to certain category of people, they are the sufferers and poor in one way or another.

Mat 5:3 Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

A spiritual body cannot be seen to human eyes; regardless the spirit is evil, human or even God's. Any of these spirits do not need what the human body wants such as food and water. The worldly do not support spirits things for its survival. They just survive by God's grace.

Poor = Poverty stricken, Poor = Humble

Human spirit is said to be dead or in darkness when they are not associated with God's Spirit. Human spirit is in Poverty when it is in a stage between its death and life.

Ezekiel 36:27 The Lord of Host says:- "I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them"

This verse tells you, unless God's spirit moves in to you – you are unable to recognize and obey God's commandments. Once you move in God's path, God's spirit will come upon you and will lead you through His path so that you will inherit the Kingdom of God after your death. For the same reason it is emphasized in the Bible on several occasions that you must worship in spirit and Truth.

God will be accepted those who are willing to seek Him.

They will come to Jesus and they will not be forsaken.

At this point God will give them more awareness of His commandments. If he is willing to cooperate with God, He will be sending His spirit in small measures.

Baptism is one of the steps to be taken by the believer.

I happened to see a non-Christian who is very well guided by the Holy Spirit. Very often he prayed for God's permission for baptism, but he was told to wait. God needs him the way he is so that innumerable people can be brought to faith through him under his present condition.

There are many non-Christian people in India who preached for a long time then they were baptized. In a traditional church they don't like the laymen to preach. One reason they say is, to such people, God has not given any authority to do so. The other reason is they could mislead the Church with their little knowledge and liberal thinking.

Once a preacher said, he had a college mate who went to one seminary – when he came out he was as good as come from a cemetery. (Graveyard) Meaning he had no Holy Spirit

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in him. Scholastic theologian does not take anyone to God's presence. Only his true submission and obedience to God's Commandments are acceptable to god.

What happens to those innocent people who are poor in God's spirit? God meant to give His spirit liberally to every one and such people are blessed in Jesus' terms.

You just think about, where you stand before God?

Humility is one of the greatest factors for God's acceptance.

Is your prayer answered, if not why?

Chapter 21

Sword of Damocles

Dionysius was the ruler of Syracuse of Italy in the fourth century BC. Damocles was in the court of Dionysius – who kept praising the king. When the king got fed up with his praising, he asked him whether Dionysius would be interested to sit on the throne at least for a day.

Damocles answered, there is no one in this world who would not like to sit on a throne, even it is for a day. With all the glory of the kingdom Damocles sat on the throne and began to enjoy. While he was in the middle of the big feast, he noticed a sword was hanging over his head suspended on a thread. The very sight of the sword over his head, that too hanging on a thread that might break at any time could take his life. He was virtually frightened to death. But he could not leave the throne until he completed the whole day. At the point of his death, he completed the allotted time and finally walked away from the throne with a deep breath.

Mean while the king asked Damocles how he was enjoying the glory of the throne, Damocles was speechless. Then the king told him whether he could understand the danger of being a king on a throne. Since after, Damocles never wanted to praise the greatness of an enthroned king.

More than the reality of the story, it has a great moral that is what it matters. The throne is a symbolic representation of the desires of flesh, which is considered as the only greatest thing on the earth by humans. Only few considers that there is something beyond that, and must long for it, with good faith for something not seen but only having heard of. They must believe that they may achieve it on some day.

The danger of this world is the disguised form of the Damocles' sword, which may trap you at any moment. For every weapon you need another stronger weapon to retaliate or to protect yourself. For Satan's sword of death you have the sword of 'Word of God', which is the true sword of life.

Hebrew 4: 12 The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two edged sword.

Besides the sword, a good soldier need a good armor too and always wear the Armor of the Lord, then you are well protected. Jesus drove Satan with word of God only. When you follow Jesus you are well protected.

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 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.

Next Eden & Hell

Chapter 22

Eden & Hell

Eden

Eden is the garden where Adam and Eve lived first on the earth. Once it was pure and holy until it was made unholy by the disobedience of Adam and Eve.

Genesis 2: 9 Out of the ground, the Lord made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, 'the tree of life' was also in the midst of the garden and the 'tree of the knowledge of good and evil'

Genesis 2: 15-17 The Lord took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the Garden, but of the tree of knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat of it you shall die.

Adam and Eve got everything for them from the garden. They never knew that they were naked and were just free as the bird. Eden must have been the abode of natural beauty filled with greenery and all kinds of birds and the beasts.

Genesis 3: 22-24 The Lord said, "see the man has become one of us, knowing good and evil; and now he might reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever" – therefore the Lord sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken. The Lord drove out the man; and at the east of the garden of Eden The Lord placed the Cherubim, and a sword flaming and turning, to guard the way to the tree of life.

Cherubim

Some people say that Eden was located in South Mesopotamia. Even if there was a chance to locate Eden, it was impossible after "The great flood" of Noah's time, which changed the face of the earth.

Hell

The word hell is widely used in all languages on the earth. This is one of the most common words used by great people, when they wish to bless someone they say, "Go to Hell" I haven't heard anyone saying, go to heaven, because by chance if anyone happened to go there that would be heart-breaking. A well-known meaning of hell is a place of misery. Hell is considered to be a world of dead, and the home of demons and evil spirits where the condemned and the damned suffer punishment. This is a place of wickedness, misery and torment beyond description with everlasting fire. Those who are thrown out from heaven will end up here. This place is also called as *Hades or Seol*.

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The term hell has derived from Hebrew, "*Hinnom*" a valley nearby Jerusalem where children were sacrificed by Pagans in Fire to please the Sun God.

Joshua 15: 8 The boundary of Judah goes up by the valley of the son of "*Hinnom*" at the southern slope of *Jebusites* (Jerusalem)

Joshua 18: 16 The boundary of Benjamin goes down to the border of the mountain overlooks the valley of the son of *Hinnom*.

The above two verses confirms the existence of the valley of *Hinnom*, and what was happening there. The end of the cursed people will also be in a similar place.

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

God has not revealed much of hell, and how long the condemned will remain in hell, but it is for sure that they will remain until the last Penny of their debt has been paid off. After the condemned and the devils are destroyed, this hell will also be destroyed it seems, when its purpose has been met. When there is a heaven there must be a hell, and when there is a God and good angels and good spirits; there is a Satan and an army of demons and evil spirits. You can be sure that there is such a thing as hell. Do your best you can so that you will not wind up in hell. These books are to save you from such disastrous end.

Some time back a family bought a house in one of the states of USA. Sooner they moved in, they felt something was wrong with the house. One of the girl children had severe problem in her room, and eventually in other places also because several frightening things were happening there. Immediately they contacted a Psychic group, they came and checked that place and found, there was some strong evil spirit in that house. The family had to call a priest for exorcism. They never believed either in God or in Ghost. The priest and his group prayed for several days and through a tough ordeal the evil spirit was driven out, and the family was at peace. When they faced the evil spirits, they found the power of God driving the evil spirit out. So they became believers. Through strange ways people come in to faith is it not?

Chapter 23

Jesus X Allah

(Quran) Surah 3: 34 – 50

34. Offspring, one of the other; and Allah heareth and knoweth all things.

35. Behold! a woman of Imran said: "O my Lord! I do dedicate unto thee what is in my womb for Thy special service, so accept this of me, for Thou hearest and knowest all things."

36. When she was delivered, she said: "O my Lord! Behold! I am delivered of a female child!" And Allah knew best what she brought forth--"And nowise is the male like the female. I have named her Mary, and I commend her and her offspring to Thy protection from the Evil One, the Rejected."

37. Right graciously did her Lord accept her: He made her grow in purity and beauty; to the care of Zakariya was she assigned. Every time that he entered (her) chamber to see her, he found her supplied with sustenance. He said: "O Mary! whence (comes) this to you?" She said: "From Allah: for Allah provides sustenance to whom He pleases, without measure."

38. There did Zakariya pray to his Lord, saying: "O my Lord! grant unto me from Thee a progeny that is pure; for Thou art He that heareth prayer!"

39. While he was standing in prayer in the chamber, the angels called unto him: "Allah doth give thee glad tidings of Yahya, witnessing the truth of a Word from Allah,

~~~and (be besides) noble, chaste, and a Prophet, of the (goodly) company of the righteous."

40. He said: "O my Lord! how shall I have a son, seeing I am very old, and my wife is barren?" "Thus," was the answer, "doth Allah accomplish what He willeth."

41. He said: "O my Lord! give me a sign!" "Thy Sign," was the answer, "shall be that thou shalt speak to no man for three days but with signals. Then celebrate the praises of thy Lord again and again, and glorify Him in the evening and in the morning."

**42. Behold! the angels said: "O Mary! Allah hath chosen thee and purified thee; chosen thee above the women of all nations.**

43. "O Mary! worship thy Lord devoutly; prostrate thyself, and bow down (in prayer) with those who bow down."

44. This is part of the tidings of the things unseen, which We reveal unto thee (O Prophet!) by inspiration; thou wast not with them when they cast lots with arrows, as to which of them should be charged with the care of Mary; nor wast thou with them when they disputed (the point).

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45. Behold! the angels said "O Mary! Allah giveth thee glad tidings of a Word from Him: his name will be Christ Jesus, the son of Mary, held in honor in this world and the Hereafter and of (the company of) those nearest to Allah.

46. "He shall speak to the people in childhood and in maturity, and he shall be (of the company) of the righteous."

**47. She said: "O my Lord! how shall I have a son when no man hath touched me?" He said: "Even so: Allah createth what He willeth; when He hath decreed a plan, He but saith to it 'Be', and it is!"**

48. "And Allah will teach him the Book and Wisdom, the Law and the Gospel.

49. "And (appoint him) a Messenger to the Children of Israel, (with this message): I have come to you, with a sign from your Lord, in that I make for you out of clay, as it were, the figure of a bird, and breathe into it, and it becomes a bird by Allah's leave; and I heal those born blind, and the lepers, and I quicken the dead, by Allah's leave; and I declare to you what ye eat, and what ye store in your houses. Surely therein is a Sign for you if ye did believe.

50. "(I have come to you), to attest the Law which was before me, and to make lawful to you part of what was (before) forbidden to you; I have come to you with a Sign from your Lord. So fear Allah, and obey me.

### Surah 19 SuSu

Maryam (Mary)

In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

1. Kaf Ha Ya 'Ayn Sad.

2. (This is) a recital of the Mercy of thy Lord to His Servant Zakariya.

3. Behold! he cried to his Lord in secret,

4. Praying: "O my Lord! infirm indeed are my bones, and the hair of my head doth glisten with grey: but never am I unblest, O my Lord, in my prayer to Thee!

5. "Now I fear (what) my relatives (and colleagues) (will do) after me: but my wife is barren: so give me an heir as from Thyself--

6. "(One that) will (truly) represent me, and represent the posterity of Jacob; and make him, O my Lord! one with whom Thou art well-pleased!"

**7. (His prayer was answered): "O Zakariya! We give thee good news of a son: his name shall be Yahya: on none by that name have we conferred distinction before."**

8. He said: "O my Lord! How shall I have a son, when my wife is barren and I have grown

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quite decrepit from old age?"

9. He said: "So (it will be): thy Lord saith, "That is easy for Me: I did indeed create thee before, when thou hadst been nothing!"

10. (Zakariya) said "O my Lord! Give me a Sign." "Thy Sign," was the answer, "Shall be that thou shalt speak to no man for three nights, although thou art not dumb."

11. So Zakariya came out to his people from his chamber: he told them by signs to celebrate Allah's praises in the morning and in the evening.

12. (To his son came the command): "O Yahya! take hold of the Book with might": and We gave him wisdom even as a youth. (Yahya=Baptist John)

13. And pity (for all creatures) as from us, and purity: he was devout,

14. And kind to his parents, and he was not overbearing or rebellious.

15. So Peace on him the day he was born, the day that he dies, and the day that he will be raised up to life (again)!

16. Relate in the Book (the story of) Mary, when she withdrew from her family to a place in the East.

17. She placed a screen (to screen herself) from them: then We sent to her Our angel, and he appeared before her as a man in all respects.

18. She said: "I seek refuge from thee to (Allah) Most Gracious: (come not near) if thou dost fear Allah."

19. He said: "Nay, I am only a messenger from thy Lord, (to announce) to thee the gift of a holy son."

**20. She said: "How shall I have a son, seeing that no man has touched me, and I am not unchaste?"**

21. He said: "So (it will be): thy Lord saith, "That is easy for Me: and (We wish) to appoint him as a Sign unto men and a Mercy from Us': it is a matter (so) decreed."

22. So she conceived him, and she retired with him to a remote place.

23. And the pains of childbirth drove her to the trunk of a palm-tree: she cried (in her anguish): "Ah! would that I had died before this! Would that I had been a thing forgotten and out of sight!"

24. But (a voice) cried to her from beneath the (palm-free): "Grieve not! for thy Lord hath provided a rivulet beneath thee; Rivulet=Stream

25. "And shake towards thyself the trunk of the palm-tree: it will let fall fresh ripe dates upon thee.



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26. "So eat and drink and cool (thine) eye. And if thou dost see any man, say, 'I have vowed a fast to (Allah) Most Gracious, and this day will I enter into no talk with any human being.' "

27. At length she brought the (babe) to her people, carrying him (in her arms). They said: "O Mary! truly an amazing thing hast thou brought!

28. "O sister of Aaron! Thy father was not a man of evil, nor thy mother a woman unchaste!"

29. But she pointed to the babe. They said: "How can we talk to one who is a child in the cradle?"

30. He said: "I am indeed a servant of Allah: He hath given me revelation and made me a prophet

31. "And He hath made me Blessed whosoever I be, and hath enjoined on me Prayer and Charity as long as I live;

32."(He) hath made me kind to my mother, and not overbearing or miserable;

**33. "So Peace is on me the day I was born, the day that I die, and the Day that I shall be raised up to life (again)"!**

34. Such (was) Jesus the son of Mary: (it is) a statement of truth, about which they (vainly) dispute.

35. It is not befitting to (the majesty of) Allah that He should beget a son. Glory be to Him! When He determines a matter, He only says to it, "Be," and it is.

Surah 10: 94 If thou were in doubt as to what we have revealed unto thee, then ask those who have been reading "The Book from before thee": the Truth hath indeed come to thee from thy Lord: so be in nowise of those in doubt.

If you are in doubt then see

"From The Book before Thee" - The Torah = Old Testament

Muslims assert that they believe in the same deity as the Judeo-Christian religions. However, Muslims strictly disagree with the Christian theology concerning the unity of God (the doctrine of the Trinity and that Jesus is the eternal Son of God), seeing it as akin to polytheism. "O People of the scripture! DO not exaggerate in your religion nor utter aught concerning Allah save the truth. The Messiah, Jesus son of Mary, was only a messenger of Allah, and His word which He conveyed unto Mary, and a spirit from Him. So believe in Allah and His messengers, and say not "three" Cease! (It is) better for you! Allah is only One God. Far is it removed from His transcendent majesty that he should have a son. His is all that is in the heavens and all that is in the earth. And Allah is sufficient as its defender." [Chapter 4: Surah 171]

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Surah 4: 171.

O people of the book! Commit no excesses in your religion: nor say of Allah aught but truth. Christ Jesus in your religion: the son of Mary was (no more than) a messenger of Allah, and His word, which He bestowed on Mary, and a Spirit proceeding for Him: so believe in Allah and His messengers. Say not Trinity: desist it: it will be better for you: for Allah is one Allah: glory be to Him: For exalted is He) above having a son. To Him belong all things in the heavens and on earth. And enough is Allah as a disposer of affairs.

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Muslims believe that the Qur'an was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad by the Angel Gabriel through numerous occasions between the years 610 and Muhammad's death in 632. In addition to memorizing his revelations, his followers are said to have written them down on parchments, stones, bones, sticks, and leaves.

Muslims believe that the Qur'an available today is the same as that revealed to Prophet Muhammad and by him to his followers, who memorized his words.

Scholars accept that the version of the Qur'an used today was first compiled in writing by the third Caliph, Uthman ibn Affan, sometime between 650 and 656 AD. He sent copies of his version to the various provinces of the new Muslim empire, and directed that all variant copies be destroyed. However, some skeptics doubt the recorded oral traditions (Hadith) on which the account is based and will say only that the Qur'an must have been compiled before 750 AD. The content clearly says about John and his family besides Jesus and Mary.

Though the name Jesus is referred 25 times and the name Mirium (Mary) is referred 34 times, Islam does not agree the trinity and Jesus as the son God but only as a messenger of God.

Next-The Cross and The Serpent

Chapter 24

The Cross and the Serpent



You might have seen in most of the Christian Medical Institutions using couple of snakes entwined from either side of a cross as their symbol or logo. Snake and staff symbol is widely used as a medical sign. I happened to ask some of the responsible persons of such institutions about its meaning. They said it is a medical symbol and do not know anything more than that. So I asked several of the doctors who also gave the same reply. At last I ran in to a pharmaceutical company's calendar which portrayed "A God of Medicine" enthroned with a staff having a snake wound on it. It was titled as God of Medicine – ASCLEPIUS.

The rest of the answer I traced from the Internet.

My point is – using a cross as a divine symbol by some Christians itself is a controversial topic among different denominations of Christians. Satan worshippers portray cross as a victory of Christ's death and Christ was never resurrected according to them. Cross is an execution device for Satan worshippers. When a serpent is accompanied with it, gives double strength to them. So I suggested to some of the institutions to delete the snake and to use the Cross alone, which they could not accept. Like Jesus said, "They held on to their tradition degrading God and thereby violating His commandment"

*Mark 7: 9 Jesus said to them, "You reject the commandment of God, so that you may keep your own tradition"*

*Mark 7: 13 Jesus said "Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things you do"*



*Identical to the sketch on the left (a couple of snakes are entwined on a cross) is the widely used symbol of Christian Medical Institutions.*

**Asclepius (ASKLEPIOS) was the god of medicine** depicted as a bearded man holding a serpent-entwined staff.

Asclepius was born as a mortal prince, to **ATSINOE and APOLLON**. **ASKLEPIOS (ASCLEPIUS)** became highly skilled in the art of medicine and he was even able to raise the dead.

This offended the gods of fate who complained to Zeus that his province (hell) is diminishing in population drastically.

So **ZEUS** created thunderbolt and destroyed Asclepius with it. Great story?

Afterwards Asklepios was placed amongst the stars as the Constellation Ophiuchus (the Serpent Bearer), which was his apotheosis into godhood. Some say Koronis, his mother, was set in the heavens as the star-group Corvus, the crow.

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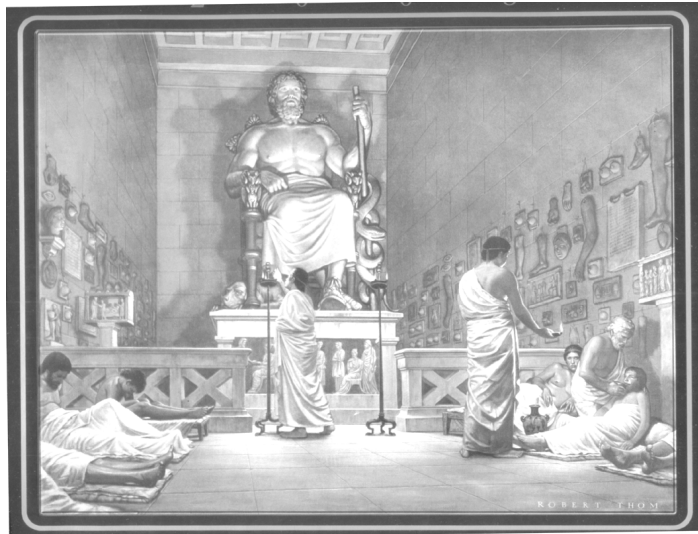
Snake and staff is the symbol of modern medicine and have originated from Asclepius-the Greek God of medicine.

There are also different stories about the origin of Asclepius. Most of his stories are described in *ILLIAD*.

**ASKLEPIOS' WIFE & CHILDREN**

The Greek mythology says, Epione, was the wife of Asklepios.

Podaleirios and Makhaon were their sons who were also great healers.



**Greek God of Medicine 'ASCLEPIUS'**  
Holding a staff with a snake in his left-hand

Greek mythology is a never ending one, if you are interested you may pursue it but I must conclude with a limited knowledge to suit the context.

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**God Siva and Serpent as a Garland**

According to Hinduism of India, the mythology has projected three supreme gods.



**Cross & the Serpent – a Medical Symbol**  
used by some Christian Institutions

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- 1) Brahma The Creator
- 2) Vishnu The Preserver
- 3) Shiva –The destroyer.

The above picture of God Shiva in a meditating posture is from a statue located in Bangalore. Its creation is a perfect symbol of artwork with the symbol of serpent as garland.

Serpent worshipping was practiced by Egyptians also. If a person dies out of snakebite, it was believed that person will reach heaven. For the same reason Cleopatra suicides with snakebite when she heard Mark Anthony's death. She could put an end to her life at the same time she could reach heaven according to her belief.

Serpent was portrayed as a positive symbol of shield when  
Buddha was meditating.

In the Bible the serpent is portrayed as deceiver and liar. Man has a unique tip of tongue a symbol speaking truth, though he doesn't do it. Were as the serpent has a split or forked tongue with which he could never tell truth.

Saint George is portrayed as a protector from snakes and dragons.

Christianity doesn't permit any symbolic form of worshipping other than worshipping in "**Spirit and Truth**"

*John 4: 24 Jesus said "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship Him in spirit and in truth"*

Anything less than this is far below what God is expecting from any man regardless who and what they are.

Do you think any Christian institution could use a symbol of a serpent along with a cross as their Logo, regardless of the tradition or medical ethics? The true answer is a big NO.

If the Christians continue to have superstitious belief and call upon the most High – it is a criminal waste of time and doing severe violation of God's first and second commandment. I have seen an important man in the society once; he had a bottle of liquor in one and a rosary in the other. He does not want to accept the fact, drinking is a sin.

Though the Christians are not that ignorant, they continue to neglect the word of God. They are choosing a path between God and Devil. In fact there is no such path. There are only two ways, one is God's path and the other is Devil's path. Don't try to play tricks with God; you can never escape from a God who analyzes even your thoughts.

The very purpose of Cross itself is to smash the head of the serpent who deceived Adam and Eve. If you do not follow the scripture then you are no better than non-believers rather worse. After knowing the truth you are deliberately going away from God's commandments thereby you are inviting greater and severe punishments.

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Now the question is, do you have the guts to stay in God's path and face the consequences if anything that may come up. If you don't follow the commandments then God will have to ignore you also on the Day of Judgment. He would say, "*I know you not*" Don't be offended when you read my books. I write according to my understanding of the scripture. You are requested to think about this. I am sure God will give you the insight to make a righteous decision and not because I happened to write.

Serpent as a deity in mythology is an extremely wide subject. If you wish to know more, you must refer the related books or search in internet.

Next Epilogue

## **Epilogue**

If you feel, this book is worth reading and informative make it known to others also. The greatest achievement in reading this book is there are many areas of our life, which need to be corrected. Unless you know clearly what you should and you should not do, you are nowhere. You learn a lot of things about the world but fail to seek who created them, which is your own mistake.

The author is least concerned about the reader's religion and denomination. What ever is written in the Bible is for the entire mankind, because all are same God's creations. It is for you to accept or to reject, but one thing is for sure; if you follow the Bible, no harm will come to you but only good things will happen to you. The author does not run any Church and does not invite you to any particular division but to God himself.

The author intends to convey through his book is to introduce the Bible in an easy way of understanding and to promote your reading of the Bible itself.

This book contains only a small portion of the Bible. If you study the Bible itself after reading this book, I presume your knowledge will be much greater than the author of this book.

### **The Author**

When the author does not make a penny from this book, he has an intention and reason in releasing these books. There are only few people who have actually read the whole Bible itself. It is impossible to write this much for any one after reading the Bible once or two times.

The author has disclosed almost everything important for every man needed to know about life and eternity. If I never learned this much I myself would have been lost.

I only feel sorry that I could not learn it at a very early stage of my life. There is no other book better than the Bible itself to learn spirituality (holiness). The trouble is when you read the Bible you don't try to remember what you already read and connect it to consecutive reading, because of your involvement and struggle for a better survival. Somehow it is in every human's mind that success is the achievement of financial growth.

Financial growth is an indication of spiritual degeneration, regardless who it is, even if it is a church it is all the same. The Bible tells, a wise man is the one who, seek God, who believe in God, and who obeys His commandments. You live only for a short period of time on the earth and after that your body becomes dead, and your spirit survives. You must determine that your spirit should go to a good resting place called heaven or to a miserable place of devils called hell.

Regardless of your caste, color, creed and religion, if you go by the commandments of God, you are sure to win heaven. You have to make your decision with your mind and control your body with your mind. Even if you don't believe in eternity you do homage for your past generations/ or parents, you do it, to find peace for the dead.



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When you study well you get better grades in school. If you do well in your life, God will reward you according to His righteousness after your death. There is no doubt when your effort is spiritually great, the reward also will be great. Once you realize the greatness of this reward, should you fail to gain it?

### Mankind

Jews      Christians      Muslims      Hindus      Others

You can see that man has been originated from one root that is from the creator himself. Because of man's wickedness he got divided and made religions at man's own will, which is against God's will.

Religion is man made and Spirituality is God given

Beginning of Caste, color, creed, religion and Languages

When you become religious and ritualistic you go far away from God, be what God wants you to be. Because of the wickedness of man; though man, started from one root they got scattered out in to many languages, religions, caste, color and creed. Now they fight with each other to protect their selfishness and each one's different God.

How foolish are the people; does God need your protection?  
Or You need God's protection?

*Genesis 11: 7 – 9. The LORD said, "Behold, the people are one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. Let us go down, and confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech" So the Lord scattered them abroad from then upon the face of all the earth: and they left off from building the city.*

The people were scattered all over the earth and different languages were created. When the Israelites were freed from Egypt they traveled through Mount Sinai where they got the Ten Commandments. Later when they came to Canaan they got the Moses law.

From copper plates to leather scrolls and then today's paper came in to existence, and man got every law in writing. We all have lost in many areas of our life because we did not have the adequate knowledge of it, and by the time we learn it, we have already lost the game and our life is finished.

After the election what the failed candidates do? They evaluate, where they have lost the game, they will play a better strategy for the next election. After death when we lose our eternal life, we will know where we lost the game, but can never make it up. The biggest tragedy in eternal life is, there is no more a second chance for a better game. When we lose, we lose it once for all, no more coming back. We are in an irrecoverable situation. When I happened to learn the seriousness of spiritual life, it shook me up and I felt that such knowledge was available to me, but not easily available. When I did not seek I could not see. When you read this book the whole knowledge is in your fingertips. If you are keen in knowing further, read the Bible itself and make your choice. **What is most important is, implementing what you have learned.**



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Mere knowledge is as good as not knowing it. If I do not part with the knowledge I have learned, to you, I may be doing a grave mistake before the Lord who gave it to me, hence I wrote this book, and now it is with you.

I will be most happy if you could follow at least one of the smallest commandments, you have come across, after reading this book. Remember God expects you to follow all his commandments, so that you can have a great eternal life. Those who do better on the earth, get a better place in heaven.

You struggle a lot for a better place in this never-lasting life. Why not you try for something forever?

Nobody else wants to tell you this because they do not wish you to supersede them.

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*Romans 3.10 There is none who is righteous.  
(All are sinners)*

*Hebrew 12: 29 Our God is a consuming Fire.  
So, fear the Lord and obey His Commandments*

**May The Lord Bless You Readers Abundantly**

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