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CONSIDER CHRIST JESUS #3
“HIM WHO WAS SENT BY GOD”
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My desire is to give a board stroke of “Him who was sent by God” in: Christ relationship to His Father, the work He was to do, and the benefits of that work.

In the beginning man was undefiled; and God walked with them in the garden in the cool of the day. *Gen.3:8*. When sin entered in, God’s creation became defiled, because they did not heed the voice of their Creator. And God thrust them out of His garden and out of His presence.

We are not saying that the events in the garden took God by surprise; to the contrary, God knew this would occur; for He has created all things both in Heaven and in earth. This was part of God’s predetermined purpose to demonstrate to His creation – to us, good and evil **and** the eternal consequences of both.

Disobedience and sin defiled God’s creation, and if unrighteousness defiles, then it stands to reason that the righteousness of God would be the only way to bring it back.

In the Greatness and Power of God, could He not but speak the command to reconcile His creation unto Himself and it not come to pass? Or send an angel to do what He alone commands? Yes; if it were only with regard to power.

God is **far more** than just power.

He is just and righteous, longsuffering, full of mercy and compassion and ready to forgive; and will **not** depart from His judicial parameters; consequently: God not willing that any should perish, sent His Son in to the world, with the purposed intent that He {God} would reconcile men back to Himself; and do it justly and righteously in the Man Christ Jesus.

The Lord possessed me in the beginning of His way, before His works of old.

I was set up from the beginning, or ever the earth was.

When there were no depths, I was brought forth: when there were no fountains abounding with water.

Before the mountains were settled, before the hills, was I brought forth: While as yet He had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.

When He prepared the heavens, I was there: when He set a compass upon the face of the depth: When He established the clouds above: when He strengthened the fountains of the deep: When He gave to the sea His decree, that the waters should not pass His commandment: when He appointed the foundations of the earth: Then I was by Him, as one brought up with Him: and I was daily His delight, rejoicing always before Him; Rejoicing in the habitable part of His earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.
Prov.8:22-31.

Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon Him: He shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street. A bruised reed shall He not break, and the smoking flax shall He not quench: He shall bring forth judgment unto truth. He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till He have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for His law.

Thus saith God the Lord, He that created the heavens, and stretched them out; He that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; He that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein; I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house. I am the Lord: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.

Isa.42:1-8.

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; He hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes; the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified.

Isa.61:1-3.

Christ Jesus, the precious sacrificial Lamb sent by God to pay the enormity of debt owed by us (mankind) because of sin. For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world: but that the world through Him might be saved. **John.3:16, 17.**

He that hath received His {Christ's} testimony hath set to his seal that God is true. For He whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: For God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto Him. The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into His hand. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him. **John 3:33-36.**

Jesus said: My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish the work. **John.4:34.** And we praise and thank God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, for when He {Christ} was on the cross cried out "it is finished" and gave up the ghost. He finished the work that His Father had sent Him to do.

For I came down from Heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of Him that sent me. **John 6:38.** And this is the will of Him that sent me, that everyone which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life. And I will raise him up at the last day. **John 6:40.**

“May have everlasting life” May expresses: a contingency. God has provided the provision for everlasting life; **if you** meet the contingency; that you see the Son as the Christ of God and believe on Him and the one who sent Him; to the end. This is not a one time occurrence; it continues over the course of your life time.

Whether you know it or not; whether you believe it or not, whether you think you are or not: **all men** are actively involved with the working of God and Christ.

Those who reject God’s Christ are working against Him- therefore an enemy; of Christ, His cross and ultimately God. And **you** have counted yourself unworthy: of forgiveness of sin and eternal life with God and Christ.

For those who have believed the record of God’s dear Son; are Co-laborers with God and Christ; working, by fighting the good fight of faith- always believing in and trusting in the accomplished work of Christ and the promises of our Father- and the glories that will follow.

Those who have embraced the theory that being baptized fulfills there duty to God and Christ, and nothing more is required on their part; couldn’t be further from the truth. This is a continual fight for those who profess Christ; and will be; until they draw their last mortal breath.

For this is my Father’s will; (just do the best you can; try to be nice to everyone and go to church when it’s convenient) NO! NO! NO!

This is the Father’s will and His purpose, that everyone (not 20% of the people, not 50%, not 90%) **that everyone** who sees the Son and believes in, cleaves to, trusts in and relies on Him (Christ Jesus) should have eternal life. And I will raise him up at the last day.

I am the good Shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one Shepherd. **John10:14-16.**

The Father Himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world; and go back to the Father. **John16:27, 28.**

When Jesus was sent by God into the world, His only objective was to TAKE AWAY SIN. Sin being put away; by the sacrifice of Himself; we were bought back, paid for by the precious blood of God's dear Son. This finished work; enabled God to **justly** draw men to Christ to be reconciled back to their God.

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. **John 3:14, 15.**

The God of our fathers, raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree; Him hath God exalted with His right hand to be a Prince and a Savior, for to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of Sins. **Acts 5:30, 31.**

Jesus: who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification. **Rom.4:25.** For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would dare to die.

But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. **Rom.5:6-9.**

Jesus: who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God our Father ... **Gal.1: 4.**

But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law; to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying Abba Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ. **Gal.4:4-7.**

Herein is Love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. **I John 4:10.**

For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins. Wherefore when He cometh into the world, He saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast no pleasure. Then said I, Lo, I come in the volume of the book; it is written of me, to do thy will O God. **Heb.10:7.**

So I ask you: What eternal benefits have you gained by “Him who was sent by God”?

Freed from bondage, remission of sin, Redemption, faith, salvation, justification, sanctification, the promise of life and immortality, adoption, purged from dead works, enlightened, taught of God, liberty, a renewed mind, mercy, hope, a Great High Priest, accepted of God in the beloved, able to approach the throne of God by faith and through the blood of Christ, light for He is our light, we have an advocate, we have ONE at the right hand of God making intercession for us, access to every heavenly resource, an inheritance, no longer servants but sons, heirs of God, forgiveness, peace, grace, His love, protection, help in the time of need, to praise and glorify our God for the great things He has done through Christ Jesus; to save us from the wrath and vengeance of God that is to come; wedding garments, white robes, eternal life.

But the greatest gain of all- To be counted worthy to stand before the Son of Man; to be forever in the presence of our loving Father and Faithful Creator and the precious Lamb of God; who was **sent** by God to take away the sins of the world.

These are but some of the benefits we have because of Christ Jesus. When we consider: all of the great things that God has provided us; in the sending of Christ; it is indeed marvelous in our eyes. And with great anticipation, wonder, delight and joy we contemplate the things yet to come.

But eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him. I exhort you brethren, endure unto the end; keeping yourselves faithful to God and Christ Jesus; **Him** who was sent, **by God**; for you. Amen.