

CHRIST THE ANTIDOTE CONCERNING DEATH

Part 40.

Jesus Christ The Overall Victor In All Things!

We are declaring today the Jesus Christ who is the Saviour of ALL MEN is also the overall victor in ALL things, not only concerning this world ***"And God purposed that through (by the service, the intervention of) Him [the Son] all things should be completely reconciled back to Himself, whether on earth or in heaven, as through Him, [the Father] made peace by means of the blood of His cross."*** Col 1:20. Amp. We can see also that the celestial realm is included, but then in our next verse we see that another realm is included & that is **under the earth,** ***"That in (at) the name of Jesus every knee should (must) bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, And every tongue [frankly and openly] confess and acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*** Php 2:10 -11. Amp.

Our great Lord Jesus Christ is not only our creator ***"all things were made by Him & for Him"*** but also our redeemer, not for some only, but for ALL men. I wish to say to those of you who are downcast or unsure, that there is nothing but good news for everyone, especially to you who are reading this article. Our Creator & Redeemer has included you in this wonderful plan. This is the way it works, Christ who is in you does the drawing & ***as you respond*** you will begin to realise more & more of the wonderful plan & love of God which is already waiting for you. But know this no matter how long it takes He will never leave you or forsake you & will never stop drawing or ***dragging you*** until He the LOVE VICTOR accomplishes that which He has instigated & ALL that He has promised that He will perform. Hear the word of the Lord from the great prophet Isaiah many hundreds of years before the baby Jesus ever appeared in Bethlehem.

"Look to me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else. I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That to me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear." Isa 45:22-23. Webster.

Jesus Christ Is A Love Warrior And Will Never Give Up On His Own Creation Until He Conquers All By His Love; None Are Excluded!

"HOW THE gold has become dim! How the most pure gold has changed! The hallowed stones [of the temple] are poured out at the head of every street. The noble and precious sons of Zion, [once] worth their weight in fine gold--how they are esteemed [merely] as earthen pots or pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter!" Lam 4:1-2. Amp.

When in Genesis Chapter 1 we were first created as pure spirit beings, we then as ***pure spiritual gold*** as it were, were then lowered Ps 8:5. The once noble & precious sons once worth their weight as fine spiritual gold, which was then their/our spiritual identity, & if you can receive it still is, - ***as it was lost to our spiritual sight, but never from God's observation & perspective*** - & as the writer of Lamentations tells us that man come to be thought of as no more than our earthly bodies or containers, ***pots or pitchers.*** Oh how the gold has become dim to many; but wonderful, wonderful news, God will make man again to know the full truth - ***& is doing so right now*** - & man will once again be thought of in his original status, yes he will once again realise that he is rarer than fine gold not only by the fact of his first spiritual identity but because of having gone through purification in the flesh & overcome, he has twice a realisation of his original status. Isaiah our great prophet was also given insight into this very thought, ***"I will make a man more rare than fine gold, and mankind scarcer than the pure gold of Ophir."*** Isa 13:12. Amp.

The great Apostle Paul also catches the very same thought when he penned the words, ***"However, we***

possess this precious treasure [the divine Light of the Gospel] in [frail, human] vessels of earth, that the grandeur and exceeding greatness of the power may be shown to be from God and not from ourselves." 2Co 4:7. Amp. We possess - *present tense* - this precious treasure in frail human vessels of earth, that the **grandeur & exceeding greatness may be shown to be from God & not from ourselves.** Hallelujah & Praises be to our All in All Saviour!!

"For since the beginning of the world men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither has the eye seen, O God, besides thee, what he has prepared for him that wait for him." Isa 64:4. Part of the victory that our Christ is having us to know & realise is in the unveiling of what & who we are & what is not only prepared for us, but is actually ours already, the carnal mind has kept this from us but love is still the key to the unlocking of what is already ours. Hear once again from the words penned by Paul the Apostle.

"Therefore let no man glory in men: for all things are yours: Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours;" 1Co 3:21-22. Webster. **ALL THINGS ARE YOURS, THINGS PRESENT OR THINGS TO COME!** Paul was sharing these words with his fellows of the - *earnest or foretaste* - believers of that day. Many who are reading this are in an even higher realm or sphere of understanding than when these words were shared; so how much more should this be applying to ourselves.

A Type Of The Love Of The King Of Kings!

"And the woman - Tekoah - said, Why then have you thought such a thing against the people of God? for the king does speak this thing as one who is faulty, in that the king does not bring home again his banished. For we must needs die, and are as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again; neither does God respect any person: yet does he devise means, that his banished be not expelled from him." 2Sa 14:13-14. This includes ALL even those whose name has not been included in the book of life, those who many would regard as banished. What is impossible to man is more than possible with God. Hear the words of the Apostle John.

"And all the inhabitants of the earth will fall down in adoration and pay him homage, everyone whose name has not been recorded in the Book of Life of the Lamb that was slain [in sacrifice] from the foundation of the world. If anyone is able to hear, let him listen:" Rev 13:8-9. Amp. **What God has joined together let no man put asunder.** Are we hearing & listening today?

Part of the unveiling is in realising that so called Christian tradition is being overtaken by a deeper understanding of what God is really saying to us today. I very much like the Amplified rendition of the following verse.

"Now He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to Him all men are alive [whether in the body or out of it] and they are alive [not dead] unto Him [in definite relationship to Him]." Luke 20:38.

It is my belief that this verse can only really be understood in the Most Holy Place sphere of understanding. No matter where a man is in his experience or understanding God has the whole thing under His control & all is going according to His plan. I think an Amen might be appropriate.

"For where sin abounds grace does much more abound."

This beautiful & yet tragic story we are about to peruse is one that we have shared previously, but this time I wish to share it in a higher understanding than I have to date realised. Absalom had murdered his brother Amnon because of the raping of his sister Tamar, who was Absalom's full sister - *who he esteemed & cared for most highly* - & Amnon's half sister. The worst part of this most despicable act was that after Amnon had defiled his half sister, he then brushed her aside & hated her, yet he could well have taken her as his wife which in that day was quite legitimate.

"Then Amnon hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred with which he hated her was greater than the love with which he had loved her. And Amnon said to her, Arise, be gone. And she said to him, There is no cause: this evil in sending me away is greater than the other that thou didst to me. But he would not hearken to her. Then he called his servant that ministered to him, and said, Put now this woman out from me, and bolt the door after her." 2Sa 13:15-17. Absalom never forgot this incident & held it in his heart & vowed to take revenge when the right time presented itself, which he organised & brought to pass. In passing I would mention that we can easily pass judgement on Absalom. The first man born of the flesh was Cain who murdered his own brother, if any of us think that we are above this I would say that in a given circumstance - *in the flesh* - any of us with our back against the wall would more than likely have the capability of doing the same. I am speaking regarding the flesh only.

"And the spirit of King David longed to go forth to Absalom, for he was comforted about Amnon, seeing that he was dead." 2Sa 13:39. Amp. Joab *"who knew that the King's heart was toward Absalom"* 2 Sam 14:1, & was close to David the King, is in this story a type of the Holy Spirit, a reconciler, & wished to appease the rift between David & his son Absalom, propagated the meeting between David & Tekoah, who was a wise woman, to bring King David who is in this case an earthly **type** of our Heavenly Father, to consider how he was not yet completely agreeing with the true heart of the Father. So *"In order to change the course of matters [between Absalom and his father] your servant Joab did this. But my lord has wisdom like the wisdom of the angel of God--to know all things that are on the earth. Then the king said to Joab, Behold now, I grant this; go, bring back the young man Absalom.* 2Sa 14:20-21. Notice that Joab guided & led Absalom from Geshur to Jerusalem verse 23, then in verse 24 we read, *"So Absalom went to his own house and did not see the King's face."* Then in verse 28 we read *"Absalom dwelt **two full years** in Jerusalem and did not see the King's face."* To carry the type to its ultimate of what God is saying to us today David had to come the place where he would, as did the prodigal father long to not only see his son's face but would **kiss him** which as we will soon see have a very, very significant meaning.

*"Then when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father have enough food, and [even food] to spare, but I am perishing (dying) here of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; [just] make me like one of your hired servants. So he got up and came to his [own] father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity and tenderness [for him]; and he ran and embraced him and **kissed him** [fervently]. And the son said to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight; I am no longer worthy to be called your son [I no longer deserve to be recognised as a son of yours]! But the father said to his bond servants, Bring quickly the best robe (the festive robe of honour) and put it on him; and give him a ring for his hand and sandals for his feet. And bring out that [wheat-]fatted calf and kill it; and let us revel and feast and be happy and make merry, Because this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found! And they began to revel and feast and make merry." Luke 15:17-24. Amp. Please notice the determination & action of the son to show his father his repentance & willingness to do all in his power to get to the place where he could be in close touch with his father.*

The true death that is signified here is the veil or separation between soul & spirit which happened in Gen Chap 2 when Adam or man first ate of the tree of good & evil within his very own being or *garden within* & began to live his inner life eating from the wrong tree & was deceived into thinking that there was a separation between soul & spirit. God is well on the way of bringing all men to where he is going to **kiss** them within their very own beings which as I will endeavour to expose is the highest privilege that man will ever have with his creator.

Notice that Absalom waited **two full years** before he became discontented with waiting any longer & made very significant moves to talk to Joab *the reconciler*, could it be only coincidence that *after two days* Hos 6:2, that he become so obsessed with seeing the King's face & did not seem to be making any headway that he became so determined that faith began to rise up in his heart that **'he would not be**

denied' & as much as he could he took matters into his own hands & set fire to Joab's field to get the reconciler, the paraclete's attention? Why? For deep within him he knew the full significance of seeing the King's face, *even in type*. Could it also be that at this time that today many are pulling out all the stops *as it were* & have become so determined in spirit that they are not wanting to leave any stone unturned that as Absalom they are asking themselves the question, would it be better that I had not come from Geshur *the in part realm* & come to Jerusalem *The Most Holy Place* sphere or realm & yet not to see the King face to face that I may receive the kiss of full acceptance & that I might be raised up & live before Him. "Now therefore Joab – **reconciler** – *LET ME SEE THE KING & if there is iniquity & guilt in me, let him kill me.*" Verse 32.

"So Joab came to the king and told him. And when David had called for Absalom, he came to him and bowed himself on his face to the ground before the king; and [David] kissed Absalom." 2Sa 14:33. Amp.

What Is The Significance Of The Kings Kiss?

Until recently my understanding of the return of Absalom to David was simply an *in part* understanding. I see now that it not only incorporates that those who we once thought were doomed, but as the inspired scripture would tell us *'that his banished be not expelled from him,'* this incidentally, as we have earlier mentioned, incorporates that *"all things should be completely reconciled back to Himself, whether on earth or in heaven, as through Him, [the Father] made peace by means of the blood of His cross."* Col 1:20b.

The wonderful prophet Hosea has something to tell us regarding the spiritual understanding & tempo of the present time & the subject that we are now sharing.

"Come, and let us return to the LORD: for he has torn, and he will heal us; he has smitten, and he will bind us up. After two days will he revive us: in the third day will he raise us up, and we shall live in his sight." Hos 6:1-2. Webster.

The word **LIVE** is from STRONGS # H2421, the meaning *in short* is as follows. to live, whether literally or figuratively; causatively to revive: - keep (leave, make) alive, X certainly, give (promise) life, (let, suffer to) live, nourish up, preserve (alive), quicken, recover, repair, restore (to life), revive, (X God) save (alive, life, lives), X surely, be whole. This is no doubt wonderful & is showing us that there is to be a restoration, as borne out in Acts 3:21 regarding the *"restoration of all things."* This I repeat is indeed good news, but it is the words in his sight that we really need to understand. The word sight is from the word *paniyim* & really means presence, favour, honourable, face, mouth, in other words even in human terms the most personal part of a person are these last two things **face & mouth**. Here this is speaking about our LORD & He is telling us that those who are returning to Him in this third day He is raising us up to live **in His face** in other words we are to be given the most wonderful kiss of kisses the kiss of the [*'self Existent or eternal; Jehovah,*] STRONGS # H1961.

The Kiss Of The King Of Kings!

This is the most personal sign of favour & acceptance from the Eternal Jehovah God & it carries with it the highest significance ever. Man was once before given a similar kiss & that is when God breathed into man's nostrils the breath of life. That God is more than willing to bestow upon us the *kiss of Deity* is borne out not only from the type of David & his son Absalom, but in the account of the prodigal & as the son returned IN FAITH to the father trusting in his goodness, the father ran in response to his son's action & embraced him & **kissed** him fervently. Can we yet understand the Father's heart as he observes our Absalom determination to return to the father. I have erred, come short, I no longer deserve to be recognised. What was the fathers response. Bring QUICKLY the best robe, the robe of honour & put it on him... because this my son was dead - *to the full experience God is now sharing; caught up in Babylon,*

*religiosity, counterfeit beguilement, even confused by in part thinking, - was lost but now is found & they began to revel & feast & make merry. The result of this kiss of kisses is a *change* that we are from thence to live **in His sight**, that is we will then become manifest sons of God, or redemption from ever experiencing the grave, this will reveal our true adoption as God's sons.*

The Response To Faith Is Action!

God's response to our faith is an action of running – *as it were* - toward us. Have we not been encouraged & even admonished to "*Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you.*" The faith of God in action in man will move God. Smith Wigglesworth once said if God does not move me then I move God. This was proven at least once when he was praying for a dead man, nothing was happening, being a fairly large man, he dragged the man out of bed & held him up against the wall & then commanded the spirit of death to leave & then called back the man's own spirit into his body & the man came to life on the spot. There is always a reaction in using the faith that has been given us "***for He has dealt to every man the measure of faith.***" At this time I feel it would be appropriate to insert something that touched my heart written by Gary Sigler as part of his series regarding the Priesthood.

Quote :- "**Rom 8:29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.**"

I would ask you, who did he not foreknow? Before you ever came to this earth you were predestinated to be conformed to his image. You can fight it and cause yourself a lot of discomfort and hurt but you WILL be conformed to his image. The divine life in you will eventually come forth and shine. Daniel was told that in chapter 12 that many that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake. The dust of the earth represents the carnal human reasoning and the body of flesh.

Rom 13:11 *knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.*

Today all over the earth people are beginning to awake from their sleep. We now realize there is a divine purpose for our lives and as we learn to rest knowing that it is God that is working in us both to will and to do his good pleasure. No longer do we need to be concerned for our future because we know that our destiny is secure. Even when we get into rebellion his promise of being conformed into his image does not change.

Jer 29:10-11 For thus saith the Lord, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place. 11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end." -: End quote.

Down From His Glory!

The praise & presence of God are the most important things in our life, sometimes these are not in our lives to their full extent simply because of misunderstanding, false information & most of all tradition. With the following verse there has been a lot of hand me downs which in my opinion have led us up the garden path. The reason for suddenly inserting the following verse is to help us to understand that we are eligible & are part of the ALL MEN company & for this to be more fully realised we need a better understanding of HEAVEN. The simple key to understanding this most debated verse is that the whole of our experience is happening WITHIN US & this includes HEAVEN. We are told in STRONGS that heaven is the abode of God. In other words wherever & whoever God is indwelling there is the abode, **heavenly** or dwelling place of God. The following is the verse in question.

"And no man has ascended to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man who is in heaven." John 3:13. Webster.

Heaven is wherever God is! Here we see Jesus speaking to Nicodemus & claiming to be in heaven while he was speaking to him, so there is much more to this than is generally accepted. Part of the meaning of heaven according to STRONGS # G3735 – G3772 is the *abode of God* & implies *happiness, power & eternity*. The Greek word for heaven is *ouranos* – oo-ran-os. Now to equate what Jesus was imparting to Nicodemus, even as He was speaking He claimed to be in heaven & so we are told in Eph 2:6. ***"and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,"*** ESV. So in the same way that Jesus was in this heavenly sphere, so are we. Where are we seated? *In heavenly places* with Him. Where? WITHIN OURSELVES!! This we must always remember. Once again I iterate, to understand the true meaning of the verse we must forget that this is happening on the outside; within ourselves we are seated in heavenly places, within ourselves we are overcomer's, within ourselves in the Most Holy Place we are having this experience. Because Jesus came down from heaven does not necessarily mean that He took a literal - *as it were, physically thinking* - trip, He descended from the purely spiritual sphere that He was indwelling & allowed Himself to be incarnated into *'a body have you prepared for me'* which was a lower experience than He had been experiencing previously & yet He was still in heaven or heavenly places within Himself. ***"of his own free will he gave up all he had, and took the nature of a servant. He became like a human being and appeared in human likeness."*** Phil 2:7. GNB. And yet in all this Jesus was still in heaven. For where is this blissful place? None other than within ourselves, some seekers may go on many Odyssey's searching for their true selves which is really our deity, which with the letters N & T added reads IDENTITY, but we will never find our TRUE IDENTITY other than in our God given DEITY, which is nowhere else other than within ourselves. Furthermore it is in this high HEAVENLY realisation & revelation that the kiss of deity takes place in our lives WITHIN OURSELVES.

God's Desire Is That We Would With Him, Fashion Our Sanctuary!

Several weeks ago I received this verse ***"Let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them."*** Exo 25:8. The next morning I opened my Bible & my eyes immediately fell on the verses ***"Jesus answered them, Destroy (undo) this temple, and in three days I will raise it up again. Then the Jews replied, It took forty-six years to build this temple (sanctuary), and will You raise it up in three days? But He had spoken of the temple which was His body. Jn 2:19-21.*** A day later I received J. Preston Eby's last instalment Part 122, in which he shared the very same thoughts. Now it is easy to fob these things off & call them coincidence, but as we as a body are sharing a spiritual unison, & I am very inclined to take these things seriously & believe that the spirit of God is not only in the picture, but He is actually painting it.

We are asked the question. ***"What manner of house will ye build Me? says the Lord: Or what is the place of My rest?"*** or abode or **heaven**. Acts 7:49. It is the will of God to lay his hand on His elect but it is our responsibility to respond; this is our part in the building. I again quote Exodus 25:8, in conjunction with the above verse, ***"Let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them."*** So would it not be reasonable to conclude that as part of the body of Christ yea even as Christ's or *anointed ones* we would have a very real part to play in the building of this dwelling place or *place of rest or heavenly abode*, yes even to the *making for Him a sanctuary, for Him to dwell among us, in us as part of us*.

"And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations." Isa 61:4. Webster.

Interestingly the word *former* is from the word *rishon* & we are told in [STRONGS # H7221, *first, in place, time or rank* (as adjective or noun): - ancestor, (that were) before (-time), beginning, eldest, first, fore [-father] (-most), former (thing), of old time, past.] The waste cities? ***"you are a CITY set on a hill"*** What hill? The high hill of Zion even the **Mountain of God**. These cities, **us** or THE ALL; that have been the desolate, or empty & lain waste for many generations, shall be repaired. By who? **They**

shall build or restore the former desolations of old time past that were known to our ancestors, the first, the most former things of old time past, that were experienced at the first, in place, time or rank. In other words we as the anointed ones or Christ's; will *"in three days I – they, as the corporate body - will raise it up again. But He had spoken of the temple which was His body."* This is indeed the higher meaning of *Christ in you the hope of glory.*

The following quote from Ray Prinzing which is from J. Preston Eby's Part 22 will both further verify & clarify the thought of the sanctuary that we are exhorted to have a part in fashioning.

“As Ray Prinzing has pointed out, “The ultimate goal of God’s purpose being wrought out through the ages, is to have a people with whom, in whom to dwell, a place where He can PRESENCE HIMSELF without controversy, and say, ‘*This is my rest forever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it*’ (Ps.132:14). So He is preparing man, both individually and corporately, to be partakers of His divine nature, to be IN HIS OWN IMAGE, so that He might have communion with them.

“God said to Moses, ‘*Let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them*’ (Ex.25:8). Sanctuary — literally, a place set apart. It was necessary for them to set apart a little area of earth with a tent on it, for His place of dwelling. But this was only an interim thing, for He yet planned to SET APART A PEOPLE for Himself. But for the time being, Israel had too much of Egypt’s god in them, along with all their own self-will and rebellion, so God said, ‘*I will not go up in the midst of thee; for thou art a stiff-necked people: lest I consume thee in the way. So Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched it without the camp, afar off from the camp, and called it the Tabernacle of the congregation. And it came to pass, that everyone that sought the Lord went out unto the Tabernacle of the congregation, which was without the camp*’ (Ex. 33:3,7).

“What a commentary on the state of the people, that even though God had brought them up out of Egypt, so ‘*that I might dwell among them,*’ yet there was so much controversy in them, they had to set apart a place outside the camp for Him, where they might go and find Him. Had He stayed in the camp He would have consumed them, for, ‘*our God is a consuming fire,*’ consuming all that is not one in His holiness. And so we read, ‘*Wherefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto Him without the camp...*’ (Heb. 13:12-13). And so there has been a going without the camp — beyond the forms of religion, beyond symbol and ceremony, to be joined with Him in one spirit. We leave all else behind, that He might become First and Foremost in our life. And in this union with Him, we find that we are BECOMING HIS TEMPLE, ‘*Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone. In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit*’” (Eph. 2:20, 22) — end quote.

"Do Not Be Afraid, I ... Possess The Keys Of Death And Hades."

In emphasising once again our original thought & heading *Jesus Christ is the overall victor in all things*, I would now like us to consider & explore a little of the above thought & statement of Gerry Beauchemin , taken from Rev 1: 17-19. *"When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as if dead. But He laid His right hand on me and said, Do not be afraid! I am the First and the Last, 18 And the Ever-living One [I am living in the eternity of the eternities]. I died, but see, I am alive for-evermore; and I possess the keys of death and Hades (the realm of the dead). 19 Write therefore the things you see, what they are [and signify] and what is to take place hereafter."* Rev 1:17-19. Amp.

Because of hand me down church traditions many have not yet realised the full truth of what our great God is unveiling to us today. In the above verse we are being encouraged not to be afraid, I believe that this is not only to whoever will read these words but even for those who may not yet understand until some future time, **I am the First & the Last, the Ever-living One & I possess the keys of death & Hades.** Let us also once again realise that *"He tasted death for every man, & that All things should be completely reconciled back to Himself, whether on earth or in heaven as by means of the blood of His*

cross," Now to bring together the thought of Christ being the Victor in all things, & those who we were once taught were to spend an eternity in a Christ-less hell, here we see we are given the reconciling answer to the age old question of an eternal - *age lasting* - Hell. **"I POSSESS THE KEYS OF HELL AND OF DEATH"** I will bring to pass & use these keys at the time that I have designated, so that in time I **will** draw all men unto Myself. I will bring to pass the saying that **'all things will be reconciled unto Myself.'** The truth is that in Gods Eternal spiritual existence which is far above our present experience, it has already happened & as the Christ self rises in you & you begin to think & agree with that mind, that is your true identity you will also think & speak even as God Himself is speaking. To that I believe you will agree with me when I say Hallelujah & Glory to our Great & wonderful & never failing Saviour.

I Will Purify Unto Myself A People!

"BEHOLD, I send My messenger, and he shall prepare the way before Me. And the Lord [the Messiah], Whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; the Messenger or Angel of the covenant, Whom you desire, behold, He shall come, says the Lord of hosts. 2 But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; 3 He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and He will purify the priests, the sons of Levi, and refine them like gold and silver, that they may offer to the Lord offerings in righteousness. 4 Then will the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in ancient years." Mal 3:1-4. Amp. The above tells us so much, this is the day of the coming of the one whom we seek, I believe that in one sense that He has suddenly come to His temple & He is working in us as a **refiners fire**. Are we not right now as priests being purified & being made like silver & gold that we may offer even ourselves in His righteousness. Then will the true spiritual Jerusalem be pleasing to the Lord as in **ancient years**, which is really referring to when we were first created in Christ Jesus as in Gen1:27.

Jesus The Overall Victor In All Things!

It may interest you to know that in the early centuries those who held the doctrine of an eternal punishment were in a minority & no one was counted as unorthodox who believed in *the restitution of all things* & the ultimate & complete victory of Christ. Why? They then knew the exact meaning of the word *aiōnios* as in Mt 25:46, was really *age lasting*. The culprit for confusing the whole issue was Augustine who himself confessed that was not a native Greek speaker. Is it so surprising that this has infiltrated even into some concordances today & we have taken for granted something that simply was not true? So Jesus Christ is the saviour of ALL men, especially, - *not exclusively* - of them that *now* believe. 1Tim4:10. Blessings to all.

I have recently been informed that the book "HOPE BEYOND HELL" by Gerry Beauchemin that we mentioned recently in Part 38, is handled by & can be purchased through this link <http://www.lightofthecity.org/>

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If we have been prone to human error in this article it is not purposely, & I trust that a little kindness would allow for any fault, & that we will consider & imbibe the better or spiritual part of that which is presented & intended. RWK..