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Welcome friends to another broadcast of "Morsels for Zion's Poor"

CHRIST is the subject and substance of every page in the scriptures. Those pages which do not directly testify of CHRIST HIMSELF, declare HIS purpose and work in the redemption of that people which were hidden in HIM from before the foundation of the world. The creation of the world was manifested in order to display the glory of HIS grace in the magnificent deliverance of those whom HE loved with an everlasting love. All of history from beginning to end is HIS-story.

This truth is illustrated very plainly in HIS direction for Jacob to go from the land of Canaan down into Egypt. Canaan was that land which the LORD had promised to Abraham when HE instructed him to get out of Haran.

The scripture indicates that there is but ONE SOVEREIGN and HE is the GOD of heaven and earth. "And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?" "HE is the "high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy." "But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased. "Therefore we must conclude that every action, reaction, event, and activity which takes place in the heavens and the earth, can only occur according to HIS grand design and sovereign will. HE alone determines the destiny of every part of HIS creation. HE created Adam for a purpose which Adam perfectly fulfilled just as HE created Judas for a purpose which he perfectly fulfilled. In the same fashion HE raised up Pharoah to magnify the glory of HIS power in his certain destruction.

HE did this in order to ultimately manifest the glory of HIS grace in the deliverance of HIS people out of the very hand of this despotic and rebellious ruler, and thereby to illustrate HIS redemption of all of those children which HE chose in CHRIST before the foundation of the world. Therefore, HE directs Jacob to go down into Egypt and declares that HE will not forsake him while he is there and will surely bring HIM out at a future time. Jacob was already in the land of Canaan when he was directed by the LORD to go down into Egypt. Little did Jacob know of the enslavement that would ensue as a result of the fulfillment of GOD's purpose to redeem the children of Israel and deliver them from this oppression.

. There is no time known unto men when the children of GOD have not been the children of GOD, the appointed heirs of grace, and the objects of the everlasting love of the FATHER. It is upon this basis that they were chosen unto salvation. *"Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father."* They have thus always been the delight of their FATHER and those in whom HE has taken pleasure, according to their union to CHRIST; the ONE in whom HIS soul delights.

In the purpose of GOD it did please HIM to bruise HIS SON for the purpose of manifesting the glory of HIS grace in the deliverance of HIS people from the bondage of sin. HE was appointed as a LAMB slain before ever there was such a thing as a sinner. HE did manifest HIS love for HIS own and demonstrated HIS determined purpose to save them by the laying down of HIS life for their redemption and in order that HE might be both JUST and their JUSTIFIER. So in order for this to be demonstrated it was necessary that they be subjected unto vanity in order that they might be seen as the willing subjects of sin who according to their own natural state were rebels against GOD despising HIS way and were each one worthy of destruction in their flesh.

Jacob whose beginnings were in Canaan nonetheless died in Egypt, and though he was not a witness of it, his posterity was brought into slavery and under the lash of a hard taskmaster. Yet Jacob died in hope because HE was given faith to believe that HE who promised is also faithful to perform that which HE promised. HE told Jacob that HE would *"surely"* bring him again to the land of Canaan, even though death would be the only thing that Egypt could provide for him.

The people of GOD have here in this world no continuing city and can but view Canaan's land from afar. Yet in the midst of the darkness that swirls about here in Egypt's land there is light in each household upon whose doorposts is sprinkled the blood of the everlasting covenant. The same JOSEPH who closes their eyes (*"Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints."* in death is the same ONE whose touch shall awaken them and shall carry them out of Egypt even as Joseph took his father's body back to Canaan. HE is that ONE who has promised never to leave nor forsake HIS own. *"Having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end."*

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