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"BEING A RESTORED HUMAN"



"THAT PURIFYING BLESSED HOPE" PSALM 85; COLOSSIANS 1:12-22; Selections PART 8: "THE SURPISING WORK OF GOD"

- I. The Lie "You can have power/glory <u>equal</u> to, but <u>separate</u> from, God! "God is the natural force that works with you. You create your own reality, your own world, your own wealth using your mind and/or the resources at your fingertips. Creation is yours for the taking and using."
 - A. Satan used it in the Garden and in the realm of the angels (elohim)
 - 1. In the Garden, it led to rebellion of <u>distrust</u>, broken relationship (death) of humans
 - 2. In heaven, it led to the rebellion of the sons of God who sought to create their own kingdoms by marrying human women and having offspring with them. That led to the flood judgment
 - B. Men used it after the flood to create the <u>Tower</u> of <u>Babel</u>. That led to the restoration of order by having the humans who had rejected God in disarray through languages, scattered all over the earth and monitored by the members of the divine council, the sons of God, elohim or angels.
 - C. It is the most pervasive philosophy among human beings! Combined with the seduction of the spirit Babylon, this has led to the wars, the pride of superiority, lust, greed and the idolatry of the elohim!



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- II. The Truth God, the Creator of heaven and earth, is in full control of time and history. He already has a plan of redemption of the whole cosmos. To live His Way is eternal life. It is His creation and we were called to live in it in harmony with plants, animals, and His systems
 - A. God is <u>sovereign</u>; He will accomplish His purpose and will; no one can stop Him. Shared leadership with responsibility and accountability
 - B. God is <u>longsuffering</u>. He is allowing us to make our own decisions. He waits to bring His judgment
 - C. God is <u>just</u>. The accountability has a day of reckoning; judgment will come. When?
 - D. Our ways apart from Him are deranged, insane and lead to death. This out of control freight train of disaster has nonetheless had its moments of "advances." But it is on a collision course with God's justice and righteousness
 - E. Enter the TRUTH! John 3:16-21
 - 1. His person Col. 1:12-22; Gal 4:4
 - a. God
 - b. Man
 - 2. His mission Heb 2:10-18; Luke 19:10; Jn 10
 - a. Please the Father as our substitute
 - b. Seek the lost and find them; team effort!
 - c. Save the lost -clear our guilt; bring us home
 - 3. His motivation John 6:38-40; Mark 6:34
 - a. Love for the Father
 - b. Compassion for people
 - 4. His completion as our perfect substitute; death

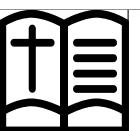
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