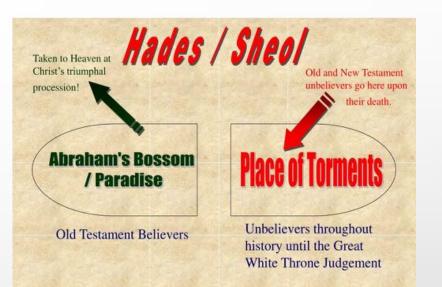
# PSALM 006-03 UNDERSTANDING {OUR} SUBMISSION

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PSALM 6:6-7

#### PROLOGUE: REALITY OF CHRIST'S FIRST ADVENT

- SHEOL WAS THE HOLDING PLACE FOR THOSE WHO DIED (LK 16:22-26)
  - PLACE OF TORMENT {HELL} FOR THE LOST
  - PLACE OF BLISS FOR THE SAVED
- CHRIST CAME GIVING LIFE BY DYING; THE MAJOR PURPOSE OF HIS FIRST ADVENT (JN 8:21-30; 16:7-11)
  - CHRIST WAS THE PASSOVER LAMB OF GOD (EX 12:1-14; JN 1:35-41; 1CO 5:7-8; 1PE 1:17-21)
  - SINLESS CHRIST WOULD BECOME SIN IN OUR PLACE SUFFERING GOD'S WRATH (2CO 5:20-21)
  - THEN CHRIST WOULD ENTER SHEOL WHEN SEPARATED FROM HIS BODY
    {DEATH} IN THE STAUROS (PS 63:8-11; 68:18; EP 4:8-10)
  - CHRIST WOULD LEAVE SHEOL {RESURRECTION} <u>ONLY</u> IF GOD WAS PLEASED WITH HIS SACRIFICE (PS 16:10-11; HE 11:4-6; 1PE 1:3; 2PE 1:16-21)



#### PROLOGUE: CHRIST PRAYING IN FATHER'S LOVE

• CHRIST IS ASKING THE FATHER TO SAVE, DELIVER, HIM BASED SOLELY ON FATHER'S LOVE

- CHRIST IS <u>NOT</u> ASKING FOR PRIVILEGE BASED ON HIS SONSHIP; THOUGH GOD LOVED HIS SON (JN 3:16)
- CHRIST PRESERVED AND SAVED BECAUSE HE LOVED RIGHTEOUSNESS OVER LIFE THOUGH TEMPTED BY FLESH, WORLD AND SATAN TO PLEASE HIMSELF AS PRIVILEGED SON (PS 45:6-7; PR 12:28; 21:21; MT 4:1-11; HE 1:8-9)
- FATHER PREPARED CHRIST FOR THE STAUROS BY PRONOUNCING HE WAS PLEASED WITH HIM AT BEGINNING AND END OF HIS MINISTRY {BAPTISM; MOUNT OF TRANSFIGURATION} (MT 3:16-17; 17:1-8)
- THUS, CHRIST WAS <u>NOT</u> ASSURED OF RESURRECTION SIMPLY BECAUSE HE WAS GOD'S SON
  - HE PRAYED OFTEN FOR THE SPIRIT WHILE IN THE FLESH AND HUMBLED HIMSELF UNTO DEATH (PH 2:5-11; HE 5:7-10)

#### HOW DID CHRIST UNDERSTAND SUBMISSION?

- CHRIST IS TWICE ADMIRED FOR HIS SUBMISSION IN THE NEW TESTAMENT AND SINCE HE IS <u>OUR</u> EXAMPLE IN <u>ALL</u> THINGS, LET US SEE HOW WE ALSO <u>CAN</u> LEARN SUBMISSION (MT 3:13-17; 17:1-6)
  - CHRIST CAME IN THE FLESH; LIKE US {NO SPECIAL POWERS} (PH 2:5-8; HE 2:14-18; 1PE 2:21-25)
  - CHRIST RELIED ON INDWELLING HOLY SPIRIT AND THE BIBLE; FIRST FRUIT OF NEW COVENANT (EZ 36:26-27; MT 3:13-17; 4:1-11; 1CO 3:16-17; 15:20-26)
  - HE WAS TESTED {TEMPTED} IN <u>ALL</u> THINGS AS WE ARE WITH ONE CAVEAT: HE DID NOT SIN (1CO 15:20-23, 45-49; 2CO 5:21; HE 4:15)
- HENCE, CHRIST, SPIRIT AND EQUAL WITH FATHER IN THE TRINITY, PUT ON FLESH VULNERABLE TO TEMPTATION TO LEARN, EXPERIENTIALLY UNDERSTAND, OBEDIENCE, SUBMISSION (JN 4:23-24)
  - CHRIST COULD SIN OTHERWISE IT WAS NOT TESTINGS BUT EMPTY GESTURES {NOT OUR EXAMPLE}

#### PSALMS PROVE CHRIST'S TESTINGS WERE REAL

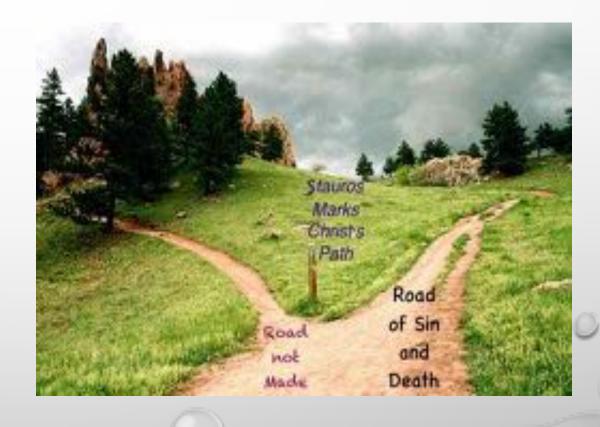
- CHRIST NOT ONLY AGONIZED THE NIGHT BEFORE THE STAUROS, BUT HE ALSO AGONIZED OVER THE VAST FORCES ARRAYED AGAINST HIM! (PS 22:1; 42:10; 88)
  - ELISHA PRAYED FOR GOD REVEAL ANGELIC FORCES FOR THEM; BUT WHAT WAS MISSING: ARRAY OF DEMONIC FORCES BEING HELD AT BAY – CHRIST COULD SEE THESE (2KI 6:15-17; EP 6:10-13)
- CHRIST'S DEFENSE AGAINST A SEEMINGLY OVERWHELMING FORCE WAS SAME AS OURS:
  - HOLY SPIRIT
  - BIBLE
  - PRAYER IN WHICH HE AGONIZED, IN HUMILITY, TO HIS FATHER
- LET US EXAMINE IF CHRIST FELT ISOLATED AND DISCOVER IF IT PERTAINS TO US ALSO

#### CHRIST'S ISOLATION ARRAY OF ADVERSARIES

- THE VAST ARRAY OF ENEMIES ARRAYED AGAINST CHRIST:
  - HIS BODY CHRIST EXCHANGED BEING SPIRIT TO BEING CONFINED IN A <u>FLESHLY</u> BODY, LATER NEW BODY: FOR ETERNITY, HE WILL ALWAYS HAVE A BODY (PS 40:6-8; LK 1:26-35; 24:36-43; 1CO 15:42-49; HE 10:5-7)
  - HIS FAMILY THOUGHT HIM WAS CRAZY OR DEMONIC (MK 3:20-21)
  - DISCIPLES EXPANDED AND SHRANK; IN THE END HE WAS TOTALLY ALONE (JN 6:22-66; MK 14:26-31, 50)
  - APOSTLES CHOSEN TO EXPAND THE GOSPEL OFT FALTERED; JUDAS WOULD BETRAY HIM (MT 16:15-23; JN 6:67-71)
  - JEWS HIS OWN HE SPECIALLY INDOCTRINATED FOR 1.4 MILLENNIUM WOULD SEEK TO KILL HIM (JN 1:9-11; 5:18; 10:19-21; 11:45-53; 18:31; 19:12-16)
  - SATAN AND DEMONS CONTINUALLY ACCOSTED HIM (MT 4:1-11; 14:22-33; MK 4:35-41)
  - FATHER IF CHRIST SINNED, HE WOULD FACE FATHER'S WRATH FOR SIN; IF SUCCESSFUL CHRIST WOULD FACE FATHER'S WRATH FOR SIN FOR US (IS 53:5-6; RO 5:6-10; HE 10:10)

### NARROW ROAD MADE BY CHRIST

- ALL FLESH TAKES THE ROAD TO DEATH (RO 3:23)
- NO ROAD OF LIFE TILL CHRIST MADE THE PATH OF LIFE VIA THE STAUROS (RO 3:21-26; 1PE 1:18-21)
- CHRIST LITERALLY WAS THE WAY TO LIFE (JN 14:6)
- EPITOMIZED BY ABRAM AND LOT: LOT CHOSE EASY ROAD TO SODOM AND DEGRADATION (GE 13:8-15; 19:30-38)
- CHRIST AGONIZED OVER EVERY DECISION TO CHOOSE THE FATHER'S WAY TO STAUROS (MT 27:45-50; JN 6:38-40)



## WEIGHT OF SALVATION ON CHRIST

- WEIGHT OF OUR SALVATION LITERALLY RESTED ON HIM (PS 42:1-4, 10)
- EVEN HIS LAST NIGHT WAS SPENT ALONE IN PRAYER (MT 26:37-46)
- HIS WEAK EYE REPRESENTED HIS FLESH: SINGLE {GOOD} OR SCATTERED {EVIL} (MT 6: 22-23)
- IN PRAYER CRYING TO FATHER, "GUIDE ME!" (MT 6:24)



#### SATANIC LOGIC FALLACIES TO AVOID TESTINGS (1PE 1:6-9)

- NOT ONLY DO MANY THINK CHRIST <u>NOT</u> ABLE TO BE TESTED; THEY ALSO JUDGE GROWTH {QUALITY} OF THEIR FAITH(FULNESS) BY ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING FALLACIES
  - OPEN/CLOSE DOOR IF GOD WANTS ME TO TAKE A CERTAIN ACTION, HE WILL MAKE IT POSSIBLE/IMPOSSIBLE {IS NOT SATAN GIVEN PERMISSION TO OPEN DOORS?} (JOB 1:6-12; 2:4-8; 3)
  - APPEAL TO SUCCESS IF ONE'S GOAL IS ACHIEVED THEN GOD MUST HAVE ALLOWED IT; LIKE ABOVE FALLACY: WE CANNOT DETERMINE SPIRITUAL FORCES AT WORK; SUCCESS MAY BE A TRAP
  - GOD BIG ENOUGH TO CORRECT ME IF I AM WRONG OR THE DECISION WRONG, ETC. THEN GOD CAN SHOW ME THROUGH EVENTS, FAILURE, ETC.; APPEAL TO UNKNOWABLE/UNTESTABLE FORCES
- THESE FALLACIES, AND MANY OTHERS, HAVE ONE FAULT: REJECT EXEGESIS NORMATIVE, HERMENEUTICAL, HISTORICAL INTERPRETATION OF GOD'S WORD RELYING ON EISEGETICAL, MAN MEASURE OF ALL THINGS, FALLACY OF FALSE TEACHERS (RO 1:18-28; 2PE 2:1-3; RE 3:14-23)

#### THERE IS NOTHING NEW HE SUFFERED AS WE

- CHRIST'S SUFFERING WAS REAL PROVING HE LEARNED SUBMISSION AGAINST THE FORCES OF: SATAN {DEMONS}; WORLD AND FLESH BY RELYING ON GOD, NOT HIMSELF (RO 8:22-27; EP 6:10-18)
  - DOES NOT CORRELATE TO WORLDLY SUCCESS BUT GODLY SUCCESS: LIFE (HE 10:29-31; 11:36-38)
  - SATAN'S ISOLATION IS TO WEAKEN YOU; HOWEVER, IT CAN STRENGTHEN YOU IN FAITH DRIVING YOU TO CHRIST; BUT IT WILL NOT BE PLEASANT (ECC 1:9-11;1CO 10:11-14; HE 12:3-11; 1PE 1:6-9)
- LOST WILL DRINK SAME CUP OF WRATH THAT CHRIST ENDURED ON THE STAUROS; BUT WITHOUT RIGHTEOUSNESS THEY WILL DRINK THAT CUP FOR ETERNITY: THEIR CHOICE (RE 14:9-11)
- WILL YOU HEAR, "WELL DONE," FROM CHRIST FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS? DO YOU PRAY? (MT 7:21-23; LK 19:11-27; 1TH 5:17; 1PE 1:3-7)