

Promises Made, Promises Kept, Part 1

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Text: Luke 18:31, 24:44

Introduction Summary:

There are things written specifically about Jesus in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and Psalms. In this lesson we will discover that God promised His people the Messiah, and He fulfilled that promise when He sent Jesus who took away the sin of the world. There is winning and victory for all who will obey His Word.

- I. Man was separated from God and received satan's nature—fear (Gen 3:15b).
 - A. God speaks directly to satan about Jesus.
 1. According to Howard Carter (expert linguist), the Bible was written in the causative, not the permissive sense. God doesn't cause evil, He permits it.
 2. Gen. 3:15 can be stated in the permissive sense: *I will allow enmity between you (satan) and the woman, between thy (satan's) seed and her seed.*
 - B. Bruise (Heb.: shuwph) means to overwhelm, break.
 - C. Head (Heb.: ro'sh) means to shake the head, of place, time, rank, chiefest place.
 - D. The seed of the woman will take everything from satan.
- II. Isaiah prophesies about Jesus (Isa. 52:10) seven centuries before He was born.
 - A. There is no dispute that Jesus lived, but whether He was raised from the dead.
 - B. It is mathematically impossible for the resurrection to be a lie.
 - C. It is true; Jesus was raised from the dead. The Bible is God speaking to you.
- III. Isa 51:5: The people will trust in His right hand
 - A. Arm (Heb.: zrowa) means force, help, mighty, power strength.
 - B. The Lord has revealed (uncovered) His Holy force, help power and strength.
 - C. Isa. 52:13: the arm of the Lord is Jesus of Nazareth (Isa. 11:12).
 - D. Visage means appearance. His facial features did not even resemble a man.
 - E. His form would be more disfigured than anyone. Nothing like traditional pictures.
 - F. Isa. 52:15: this is talking about the Gentiles. The world would hear the gospel.
- IV. Isa 53:1: Who will believe our (report) announcement?! This is critical to salvation.
 - A. *Grow up* tells you *the arm of the Lord* is a human being.
 - B. A plant is the result of a seed. After the seed is planted, roots grow (Gen 3:15).
 - C. That tells you that Jesus is the Word (John 1:1; Isa. 55:10-11).
 - D. The Word of God is the root of everything (John 1:1).
 - E. Satan can't get the Word out of the earth.
 - F. The Word of God the most stable platform in your life.

- V. Isa. 53:2: Dry Ground is dirt without water: people without the Word.
- A. God rebuked the prophets for not preaching the Word (Mal. 2:5-9).
 - B. Today ministers are preaching current events, and a little of the Word.
 - C. The leaders omitted the weightier matters: judgment, mercy, faith (Mat 23:23).
 - 1. Judgment (a verdict) is the result of what a man has sown.
 - 2. Mercy is a weightier subject.
 - 3. Faith is the way Christians should live (Rom. 1:17; Gal. 3:11; Heb. 10:38).
 - D. The result was that people didn't know when the Messiah came.
 - E. The most valuable thing a church can do for you is ***teach you the Word of God until you understand it and know how to use it.***

- VI. Isa. 53:2-3: If you walked by Jesus, you wouldn't notice Him. Then when He was baptized in the Jordan, God anointed Him.
- A. Grievs (Heb.: cho-lee) means malady, anxiety, calamity, disease, sickness.
 - B. Acquainted means that He's been around those things all His life.
 - C. Sorrows (Heb.: mack'in) means anguish, affliction, grief, pain (Isa. 53:4). If Jesus carried away your sorrows then it's God's will that you be free.
 - D. God's will is stated in the prophets; it isn't automatic (Deu. 28).
 - E. God doesn't cause bad things to happen. Men choose to disobey or obey God.
 - F. The religious leaders mocked Jesus (Isa. 53:4).

- VII. Isa. 53:5: Jesus was wounded (tormented) for our transgressions (rebellion).
- A. Jesus was bruised (beat to pieces) for our iniquities, our sin, not our sins.
 - B. Sins are committed because of the sin nature Adam received when he went against God (2 Cor. 5:21).
 - C. Jesus took your sin nature and gave you His nature, righteousness (2 Cor. 5:17).
 - D. The arm (help) of the Lord is present with them, but they didn't recognize it because they had no Word (Mark 4:15).

- VIII. Our peace (wellness, happiness, health and prosperity) was being restrained because there was, seemingly, no remedy for our sin problem (Isa. 53:5).
- A. Jesus bore our sin nature and restored our health, wealth, and peace.
 - B. Jesus destroyed (rendered without its real force) Satan's works (1 John 3:8).
 - C. With His stripes (bruise) we are healed (Heb.: rapha) cured, made whole.
 - D. That means what Adam had before he fell, you get back, in Christ Jesus.
 - E. Adam functioned according to Mark 11:23.
 - F. If you never learn about faith, you won't know how to win in life (1 John 5:4).

Closing Summary

You decide your position on the Word. If you receive the Word, you get more of it. That is why at the beginning of my sermons I have you make a confession about choosing to believe what the Bible says. Jesus took the ultimate punishment to make everything right in our lives. That is why we can enjoy that abundant life when we choose to live God's way, a life of faith and victory.

Note:

Racism Exists in Every Race

- A. Racism isn't the reason for poverty. Neither is it specific to one race. Currently, racism is running rampant in California. Recently a Black man hit and killed an Asian man.
 - 1. Racism is rooted in fear, that someone is 'holding me back.'
 - 2. According to Scripture, we should want others to be blessed.
 - 3. When you walk in the Word, the Lord is your helper and the blessing of the Lord will run you down.
 - 4. Scripturally, what would happen to the group that is #1 in abortion, crime, family break-up, attending to church, but not #1 in acting on the Word? The result will be poverty, sickness, death (Deu. 28:15-68).
- B. Dry ground is because the ministers wouldn't preach the Word (Ja. 3:1).
- C. The first place to look for answers to current issues is in the Bible, the Written Word of God.