

# RESSURECTION DAY 2019

➔ THE WHOLE STORY OF EASTER IS GOD'S LOVE FOR MAN (JOHN 3:16) EVEN THOUGH MAN CHOSE TO FOLLOW HIS ENEMY SATAN, MAKING SATAN TEMPORARY GOD OF THIS WORLD (1 JOHN 4:4); WITHOUT HESITATION IN GEN 3:15

GOD PROPHESED THAT HE WILL REDEEM (RESCUE) MAN FROM HIS BAD CHOICES AND FAILURE. EVEN AFTER THE HUMAN RACE BECAME SO DISPICABLE THAT EVERY THOUGHT OF MAN WAS ONLY EVIL, ( GEN 6:5 ) GOD DID NOT GIVE UP ON MANKIND WHO HE LOVED BUT, CONTINUED THRU NOAH (GEN 6:8) SAVING HIM AND HIS FAMILY. NOAH IN THE ARK BEING SAVED IS AN EXAMPLE OF GOD AND US. SURROUNDED BY TOTAL AND COMPLETE DEATH AND DESTRUCTION, GOD MAKES A WAY, AN ARK IF YOU WILL, THAT WILL PROVIDE FOR US SAFE PASSAGE FROM CERTAIN DEATH, AND PROVIDE THE KNOWLEDGE NECESSARY AS HE DID WITH NOAH TO SURVIVE AND PROSPER AGAIN.

EVEN AGAIN AFTER MAN'S REBELLION AT THE TOWER OF BABEL ( GEN 11:4 ) WHERE MANKIND REBELLED AGAINST THE WILL OF GOD AND SOUGHT TO DO THINGS HIS OWN WAY, GOD CONTINUED TO LOOK FOR A MAN WHO HE COULD USE TO BRING DELIVERANCE, SAFETY, JOY AND SALVATION TO MANKIND. GOD FOUND A VERY UNLIKELY PERSON NAMED ABRAM (GEN 12:1-3) AND HIS WIFE.

GOD STOOPS DOWN TO ENTER INTO A COVENANT/ CONTRACT (GEN 15:18) WITH THIS VERY UNLIKELY PERSON. THAT IF HE WOULD OBEY GOD/WORD THAT HE AND HIS SEED/OFFSPRING WOULD BE BLESSED IN EVERY WAY (GEN 12:2). IT TOOK DECADES FOR THIS MAN TO MATURE ENOUGH THAT HE WOULD FULLY BELIEVE AND KEEP HIS PART OF THE DEAL. BUT, EVENTUALLY HE DID (ROM 4:20) WHILE GOD WAITED PATIENTLY, FOR HE LOVED MANKIND. HE WANTED BILLIONS, YES, TRILLIONS OF THEM TO BE ABLE TO LIVE WITH HIM IN THE HEAVENLIES (1 TIM 2:4).

BUT, TO DO SO, MAN WOULD HAVE TO BE CLEANSED OF HIS DEATH SENTENCE IMPOSED ON HIM BECAUSE OF THE FAILURE OF THE FIRST MAN ADAM (ROM 5:14), WHICH CONTINUES TO BE PASSED DOWN FROM ONE GENERATION TO THE NEXT.

IN ORDER TO BE WITH THE HOLY GOD, GOD CHOSE TO DEAL WITH THIS UNLIKELY PERSON ABRAM BECAUSE GOD COULD SEE HIS HEART. THAT ONCE HE GOT IT RIGHT, ABRAM WOULD REQUIRE ALL HIS CHILDREN, (GEN 18:19) GRANDCHILDREN AND SERVANTS, EVERYONE TO FOLLOW HIS LEAD.

ULTIMATELY, ABRAHAM WAS WILLING TO PASS THE ULTIMATE TEST AND OFFERED UP HIS SON, THAT HE LOVED, ISSAC AS A SACRIFICE AT GOD'S BEHEST.

(GEN 22:10) ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD'S WORD SO MUCH THAT HE WAS WILLING TO TAKE HIS SON'S LIFE ON AN ALTAR BECAUSE OF THE COVENANT HE HAD WITH GOD WHICH, AMONG OTHER THINGS REQUIRES RECIPROCAL ACTIONS.

GOD HAS A MAN WHO, OF HIS OWN WILL, CHOSE HIM OVER THE POINT OF DEATH. THIS WAS THE OPPOSITE OF ADAM WHO CHOSE EVE AND SATAN OVER GOD. (1 COR 15:22) GOD NOW HAS A LEGAL SOURCE, A MAN, WHO THROUGH HIS DECENDENTS, THE SAVIOR OF MANKIND COULD COME, (PHIL 2:8) WHO WOULD PAY ADAM'S PENALTY. THE PRICE OF HIS SIN WAS DEATH (ROM 6:23) (PSA 9:17) AND HELL FOR ALL MANKIND.

ABRAHAM'S DECENDENTS WERE CALLED JEWS BECAUSE THEY WERE CARRIERS OF GOD'S WORD IN THE EARTH. THEY WERE TO SHOW THE WORLD THROUGH FOLLOWING THE WORD HOW TO (DUET 28:13) BE BLESSED IN EVERY AREA OF THEIR LIVES ON EARTH. AND, WHEN THEY FOLLOWED IT, THEY WERE. ULTIMATELY GOD GAVE THEM A SYSTEM TO LIVE BY (GAL 3:19) CALLED THE LAW!!

#### ➔ A LIFESTYLE

ABRAHAM WOULD HELP AND KEEP THEM WALKING A HOLY LIFESTYLE TOWARDS GOD'S BLESSINGS. THEY WOULD CONTINUE TO GROW (GAL 3:19); AND WORK UNTIL WHAT HE PROMISED ABRAHAM WOULD TAKE PLACE. FROM ABRAHAM'S FUTURE OFFSPRING, THE SAVIOR OF MANKIND WOULD BE BORN – JESUS! THROUGH A FAITH-FILLED VIRGIN NAMED MARY. WHO LIKE ABRAHAM BELIEVED THE WORD OF GOD AND SUBMITTED HERSELF (LUKE 1:38) TO BE THE VESSEL BY WHICH GOD WOULD BRING THE SAVIOR FOR MANKIND INTO THE WORLD.

YOU SEE, THE FIRST MAN ADAM WAS WARNED BY GOD IF HE DISOBEYED HIM IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN (GEN 2:17) THAT HIS VERY NATURE WOULD BE CHANGED FROM ONE OF LIFE, PEACE, JOY AND HOLINESS TO A NATURE OF DEATH, DISPAIR, SADNESS, SICKNESS AND UNRIGHTEOUSNESS. INDEED UPON HIS FAILURE HE BECAME A DARKEN FIGURE. HIS CHILD MURDERS HIS YOUNGER (GEN 4: 8) BROTHER AND MANKIND SPIRALS INTO THE DARKNESS OF SIN.

THE DEATH NATURE WAS PASSED DOWN TO EACH GENERATION THROUGH THE FATHERS UNTIL THE ENTIRE PLANET WAS FULL OF SIN (ROM 5:12) EXCEPT FOR ONE MAN WHO CHOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE. HIS NAME WAS NOAH. BECAUSE SIN HAD RISEN TO SUCH A HORRIBLE LEVEL, TERRIBLE JUDGEMENT CAME UPON THE EARTH THROUGH A FLOOD OF RAIN THAT LASTED UNTIL EVERYONE ON EARTH DROWNED (GEN 7:21) EXCEPT ONE MAN AND HIS FAMILY WHO WERE SPARED IN AN ARK GOD TOLD HIM TO BUILD. (GEN 8:18)

THAT ARK IS A SYMBOL OF SALVATION THRU JESUS CHRIST TODAY. WE ARE BORN IN SIN (ROM 3:23) AND WHAT AWAITS US IS CERTAIN HORRIBLE JUDGEMENT BECAUSE OF IT. BUT, GOD HAS MADE A WAY OUT OF THIS DEATH TO A WAY OF CERTAIN ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH THE ONE WHO WOULD SUFFER ON EARTH AND IN HELL IN OUR PLACE (JOHN 3:17). HE CHOSE TO BE OUR SACRIFICE AND PAY OUR PENALTY. AND IF YOU ACCEPT HIM, LIKE NOAH AND HIS FAMILY, YOU NOT ONLY WILL BE SAVED BUT, RECEIVE A NEW WONDERFUL NATURE OF PEACE (2 COR 5:17).

HE IS JESUS THE CHRIST. HE DIED AND WENT TO HELL FOR YOU. BUT, HE ROSE TO MAKE SURE ALL OF THE BLESSINGS DUE YOU FROM YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD ARE KEPT!! WON'T YOU JOIN HIM?



PETER, IN HIS DENIAL OF THE LORD WAS NOT ONLY FORGIVEN, BUT, WAS USED BY GOD IN THE FIRST GREAT HARVEST OF PEOPLE INTO GOD'S KINGDOM (ACTS 2:14). AND PETER BECAME THE LEADER OF THE DISCIPLES.

HE WILL DO THE SAME FOR YOU!!!!