# "Holiness - It's our part in committing to our loving GOD"

## "The faith of Jesus Christ"

#### Genesis 3:2-4, 22

2) And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden,
3) but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die."
4) But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die."

22) And the LORD God said, "Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:"

## The Old Testament –from the beginning

The **"Tree of Life"** is first mentioned in Genesis 2:9, along with the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Genesis also gives us what happened through many years of Gods creation, with mankind, mostly, being **NOT** pleasing to God, to the flood and his covenant to Noah. We find Noah to be **FAITHFUL** in God's eyes, that is why God saved him and his family from destruction. God made a covenant with Noah, with the rainbow as a symbol, and told Noah that HE would never again wipe out his creation from off the earth.

#### Genesis 9:9-17

'And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you; And with every living creature that *is* with you, of the fowl, of the cattle, and of every beast of the earth with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth. And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.' And God said, 'This *is* the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that *is* with you, for perpetual generations: I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth. And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud: And I will remember my covenant, which *is* between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh. And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that *is* upon the earth.' And God said unto Noah, 'This is the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth.'

## Hebrews 11:6-7

But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.



#### Romans 3:10, 20-22

10) As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:

20) Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin. 21) But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; 22) Even the righteousness of God *which is* by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:

## **Grounded G2311 - themelioo**

 Them-el-ee-o'-o erect:- (lay the) found(ation), ground, settle

Settled G1476 – hedraios

Hed-rah'-yos immovable:- settled, steadfast

### **Hebrews 10:14**

14) For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

## Colossians 1:21b-23a

21b) yet now hath he reconciled
22) In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:
23) If ye continue in the faith grounded(themelioo) and settled(hedraios), and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel,

## Christ is...

- my perfect example
- my elder brother
- my king
- my high priest
- my savior
- my God

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is **faithful** and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## The Faith Of Jesus – Where does your faith lie?

In Jesus' day, the only bible available were the Old Testament scrolls.

Jesus was, from conception, with the Holy spirit.

It is HIS life we must focus on and turn our focus to in order to understand how to live and behave NOW.

It is HIS death, HE gave it ALL for us, and resurrection, HE conquered death for us, that gives us LIFE.

(Access to the "Tree of LIFE")



#### Luke 1:30-33

30) And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. 31) And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name **JESUS**. 32) He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33) And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.



#### Luke 1:34-35

34) Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? 35) And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the *power of the Highest* shall overshadow thee: therefore also **that holy thing** which shall be born of thee shall be called the **Son** of God.

(JESUS is THE <u>Son of God</u> in the flesh.)



## Acts 2:36b-39 ESV

"God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."



#### Mark 1:2-4

As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.



#### John 1:6-9

6) There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John.

7) The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all *men* through him might believe.
8) He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light.

9) *That* was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

#### POWER

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έξουσία

exousia

ex-oo-see'-ah

From G1832 (in the sense of *ability*); *privilege*, that is, (subjectively) *force*, *capacity*, *competency*, *freedom*, or (objectively) *mastery* (concretely *magistrate*, *superhuman*, *potentate*, *token of control*), **delegated** *influence*: - **authority**, jurisdiction, liberty, **power**, right, strength.



#### John 1:10-12

10) He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.

11) He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

12) But as many as received him, to them gave he **power** (and authority) to become the sons of God.

## (We are meant to be sons of God)

## Luke 1:68-74

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people, And hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began: That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; To perform the mercy *promised* to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant; The oath which he sware to our father Abraham, That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear,

## Luke 1:75-79

In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.

And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins, Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us, To give light to them that sit in darkness and *in* the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.



#### John 1:25-28

And they asked him, and said unto him, "Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that prophet?" John answered them, saying, "I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not; He it is, who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose." These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.



#### John 1:29-31

The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, "Behold the **Lamb of God**, which taketh away the sin of the world. This is he of whom I said, 'After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me.' And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water."



#### John 1:32-34

And John bare record, saying, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, 'Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.' And I saw, and bare record that this is the **Son of God**."



#### John 1:35-36

Again the next day after John stood, and two of his disciples; And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, "Behold the Lamb of God!" When we are baptized, we accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior and King, we come up out of that watery grave and receive **GOD's Holy Spirit**. We don't rise from the grave as perfect beings (we do retain that ability to sin.) It is the SIN that we must strive to eliminate from our life, for the rest of this physical life (with help from *GOD's Holy Spirit*.)

When we are placed on the path of the modern Christian, we then start a **new life in Jesus**.

We are **NOT perfect**, *as Jesus was, and is*, but HE has now given us strength, *through Him*, to overcome the world just as he did. We are endowed with <u>His Holy Spirit</u> to be able to bury the "old man" and empower the "new man" just coming up from the watery grave.

## WE ARE EMPOWERED TO LIVE!

## What SINS are we to overcome?

John gives us a clue that he has written for us in **I John 1:15-17** 

15) Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, *the* love of <u>the Father</u> is not in him.

16) For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

17) And the world passeth away, and the lust

thereof: but **he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever**.

## **GOD IS LOVE!**



#### Numbers 7:89

And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with him, then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that was upon the ark of testimony, from between the two cherubims: and he spake unto him.



#### John 1:1-5

1) In the beginning was the *Word*, and the *Word* was with God, and the *Word* was God.

2) The same was in the beginning with God.

- 3) All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.
- 4) In him was life; and the life was the light of men.
  5) And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.



## 1 John 5:14-15

Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us: And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

## Isaiah 40:14

With whom took he counsel, and *who* instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding?



#### Nahum 1:2-3

2) God *is* jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and is furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies. 3) The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds *are* the dust of his feet.



#### Nahum 1:4-5

4) He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.
5) The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.



#### Nahum 1:6-7

6) Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him. 7) The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.

(Trust in Jesus)



## 1 Corinthians 10:1-6

Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; And did all eat the same spiritual meat; And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.



## 1 Corinthians 10:7-9

Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.



## 1 Corinthians 10:11-13

Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples(*examples*): and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be **tempted** above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.



#### Acts 3:24-26

Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days. Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed. Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.



#### Matthew 1:20b-23

Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, **God with us**.



## 1 Corinthians 1:4-9

I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ; That in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you: So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.



## **Colossians 1:2-6**

To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints, For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel; Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth:



## Galatians 3:20-29

Now a mediator is not *a mediator* of one, but God is one. *Is* the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law. But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe. But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed. Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.



## Galatians 3:25-29

But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster. For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. And if ye *be* Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

## Matthew 11:27-30

27) All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him. 28) Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29) Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. 30) For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.



## Revelation 14:12-13

Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed *are* the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

**Psalm 15:1-2** 1 LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill? 2 He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.

They who have attained "holiness."

## "The LORD shall reign for ever and ever. Exodus 15:18

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