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“To Him who loves us
and washed us, loosed us, from our sins
by His own blood!”

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Gospel of Luke Chapter Four

To this sin-plagued, sorrow-pained, poor-soul-sick
sad, mad, bad news planet -

*Jesus Christ Came
to Preach His Good News
Luke 4:18,19*

An exciting, exhilarating wonder-day is coming - not far off -
an amazing, awesome miracle-marvel time - when this poor,
polluted planet is re-stored to pristine beauty, bounty, blessings
- by the one and only Creator-Savior Lord Jesus Christ - far
beyond His original creation. Jesus said it. Believe it.

When Will it Happen?

It Will Happen - When Jesus Comes Back Again!

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.”
And He called it all - *“very good.”* The LORD God gave this
little planet to mankind - for our good. He gave to us all His
blessings - a planet unsoiled, unspoiled by sin, hate, fear, war,
hard toil, tears, disease, pain, crying, sorrow, death.

Never forget - we rebel sinners are wrecking His beautiful little
gift-creation planet - the Old Creation is ruined by our sins.
But - Jesus will Create again - a New Creation - New Heavens,
New Earth - in which dwells His righteousness.

*“Behold, new Heaven, new earth. God Himself will be with
them, their God, will wipe away every tear, no more death, no
sorrow, no crying, no pain, old things passed away.”*

The Creator-Savior will say, *“Behold! I make all things new!”*

But What about Now?

Our Lord's power-promise to return, to re-create all things new - lifts our vision, raises high our hopes, uplifts our spirits - every day and way. It's why the Bible calls the Second Coming, *"That blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ"* (Titus 2:13).

So, what about today, this minute? What about our current day-to-day troubles? Does God speak to our cares - right here, right now? Does God have real solutions, right answers?

Yes! Yes! Ten Thousand-Million Times - Yes!

Jesus Christ Himself - **is** - God's Plan. Jesus came into this sad, mad, bad news world, onto this sick, sin-plagued, soul-polluted, sorrow-pained planet, to resolve our personal problems too. And He does it - for all who choose to trust in Him. He is doing it now, as we speak, for millions of people - worldwide.

This Study is All about Jesus

And about you and me too. It's about how He came to earth to help us all - personally. So, as you read His *"exceedingly great and precious promises"* - remember always - He is for you too.

Multiplied millions of men, women, children, teens - all around this spiritually poverty-stricken planet - have no notion who Jesus Christ is - or why He came to earth by virgin birth 2000 years ago. But God the Holy Spirit used Luke the physician to write the Gospel - *"Good News"* of Jesus Christ Himself. And it tells all people on earth -

Why Jesus Came to Earth!

Read this absolute-power glory-truth. Remember it. Rejoice and Rest in it. Learn it well, love it, live it, give it to others too.

Why Did Jesus Come to Earth?

In the Gospel of Jesus Christ written by Luke the physician - in chapter four, verses 18,19 - we see one of the greatest power-promises in all of human history - forming a vital, infinitely valued, victorious "*Emancipation Proclamation*" - for all who are sin-slaves in this sin-guilty world. It's a freedom statement from God the Savior-Son - to you and me too - with love.

In this great Gospel statement Jesus gives His own personal, power-insight into His high, holy, happy cause and calling - in coming to earth by virgin birth. These few words of our Lord Jesus in just two verses, lay open and bared for all to see - His own great, good, gracious, loving heart - the heart of the One and Only Creator, Redeemer, Savior-Lord God Almighty.

And - in a very personal way - He tells all who trust Him - our own mission and message - on this sin-poor planet - why we're in the world - what on earth we're here to do - until Jesus comes back again - witness His Good News.

He Gave Us His Good News Key

The key verse to this Gospel is our Lord's Word - Luke 19:10 - "*The Son of Man came to seek and save those who were lost.*"

God's Infinite Love!

God's love for all lost sinners is infinite. We all are lost sinners, we all stand sin-guilty before the high, holy God Almighty. But, in His so great love, the Father-God in Heaven sent His own beloved, only begotten Savior-Son Jesus into this sinner-world - to save from sin, death, Hell - all who come to Him.

"For God so loved the world that He gave (on the Cross) His only begotten Son, so that whoever believes (trusts) in Him should not perish (go to Hell forever) but have everlasting life.

“For God sent not His Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world thru Him might be saved.

“God demonstrated His love toward us, in that while we were sinners, Christ died for us” (John 3:16,17; Romans 5:8).

All People Need Jesus

From the educated, sophisticated, philanthropic pent-house billionaire - to the illiterate, penniless, savage, jungle mud-hut dweller - and all of us in between - all stand before the high, holy Lord God Almighty as guilty lost sinners - all under His righteous sentence of judgment - condemned to “Go to Hell.”

“There is no difference, for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. For the wages of sin is death - but the gift of God is eternal life thru Jesus Christ our Lord” (Romans 3:23; 6:23).

“Faithful is the Word and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” (I Tim 1:15).

Dr. Luke's Gospel calls Jesus Christ “*The Son of the Highest*” who came from Heaven to earth by Virgin Birth. Why did Jesus come to earth? He came to seek and to save lost sinners!

Question: May I ask you, dear reader, have you opened your heart and life to trust in Jesus Christ Himself? He is God's own beloved, only begotten Savior-Son. And He loves you too.

Christ Jesus died for your sins too. He arose from the dead - because He is God in the flesh - to save you too - from sin, from everlasting death, shut out from God in eternal Hell, saved for His high, holy, happy Heaven forever. Believe in Him, trust Him now - He will save you - instantly and forever. You will be forever His, and will be forever glad you came to Jesus.

His Arrival on Planet Earth

The first three chapters of Luke's Gospel set the scene for the **Arrival** of God the Savior-on.

He is the Kinsman-Redeemer-Messiah-Savior-King - Jesus!

Detailing these first three chapters is not our purpose here, but for your personal study, here is a basic outline of those three opening chapters tell us of the amazing events surrounding our Savior-Lord's first **Arrival** on earth.

Luke 1 **Anticipation** of His Arrival

Luke 2 **Arrival** of God's Messiah-Savior-Son - Jesus

Luke 2 and 3 **Authenticating** His Arrival

At the Birth of Jesus - God gave “*many infallible proofs*” - that His Redeemer-Savior-Son - as promised - had at long last - **Really Arrived.**

Dr. Luke's first three chapters give us at least ten power-proof statements - that Jesus is the Messiah-Savior sent from God.

The Angel Gabriel said it (Luke 1:16,17,19,26-35)

The Holy Spirit said it (1:41-45,67-79)

Mary said it (1:46-55)

Many more Angels said it (2:9-14)

Simeon said it (2:25-35)

Anna said it (2:36-38)

Jesus' own Testimony said it (2:39-52)

John the Baptist said it (3:1-20)

The Triune God - Father, Son, Holy Spirit said it (3:21,22)

The Messianic Genealogy said it (3:23-38)

Luke, in his Volume II - The Book of Acts - tells us that after His Death on the Cross and His Resurrection from the dead - Jesus “*showed Himself alive by many infallible proofs*” (1:3).

Jesus Preparing to Help Us

In Luke Chapter Four, Jesus began His public ministry and message - and His all-important major mission - to **redeem** and forever **save** lost sinners from Hell - by the blood of His Cross.

How did Jesus prepare for His ministry and mission on earth?

Jesus was Filled with the Holy Spirit Luke 4:1

Dr. Luke's three opening chapters record that God the Holy Spirit Himself was fully involved, active, in control in Jesus coming into the world, and all thru His humanity on earth.

Jesus was born of the Spirit, grew in the Spirit, was proven to be the absolute power Messiah-Savior-Son of God - all by God the Holy Spirit Himself.

Luke 4:1 says, Jesus was "*Filled with the Spirit.*" How is this important to us - today? Keep reading. This vital truth is to you and me too - powerful, personal, practical, every day.

What does Dr. Luke mean, Jesus was "*filled with the Spirit*"? He means, the Man Christ Jesus was fully control by God. What God the Father said, and where God the Spirit led, God the Son perfectly followed fully. In all His earthly walk and work - Jesus was always absolutely "*filled with the Spirit.*"

And, here's where you and I come in. The same Holy Spirit who filled, possessed, controlled, used the Man Christ Jesus - will fill every person who truly trusts in Jesus. And, unless we live and work "*filled with the Holy Spirit*" - all that we are, do, say - every day, every way - is only done in our self-loving "flesh" - for our glory. And God accounts it as nothing.

Paul said it loud and clear for all people on planet earth to hear:

“Sin . . . dwells in me. I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, dwells nothing good. For the good that I will to do, I do not, but the evil I will not to do, that I do. I find then a law, that when I will to do good, evil is present with me” (Romans 7).

It’s a universal truth, isn’t it. SIN - is in every person on topside of this poor planet. In the fallen human family is - self-loving SIN. It is why this sick, sad, mad, bad news world is in mass misery, corruption, confusion, chaos.

Even much of what is called “Christian” is not Christian at all. In God's sight it is activity that He says is useless, self-focused - “*wood, hay, stubble*” - fit only to be burned on judgment day. Why? Because it is not done in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Powerless personal living and labor happens because we do it in the energy and expertise of human flesh. We may say we do it “in Jesus' name” - and call it “Christian” - but it is not.

You Be Filled Too

God commands it - “*You be filled with the Holy Spirit.*” When anyone trusts in Jesus Christ, in that moment he or she is spiritually “*born again - born of God - born from above.*”

And in that moment we are instantly and forever - regenerated (born again) by the Holy Spirit, indwelt (lived in forever) by the Holy Spirit, baptized (placed into union with Christ) by the Holy Spirit, and sealed (guaranteed to belong to God) by the Holy Spirit.

God never commands us to do any of the above acts of - regeneration, indwelling, baptizing, sealing - not at all. Why? Well, in fact, we cannot do them. They are all done by God - alone - done in us - to us - for us - instantly and forever - the moment we simply trust - put faith in - Jesus Christ Himself.

But - every true, born-again child of God - is commanded to be "*filled with the Spirit.*" Why is that? Because whenever we sin we lose the Holy Spirit's power-action in our living. It can only be regained, renewed, when we choose to repent (change our mind) and call on Jesus.

If we do - God will forgive us, cleanse us from all sin, fill us again with His Holy Spirit, so we can again live and give up self fully for Him.

If we don't - He won't. It's a choice God calls us all to make - to surrender to Him and His will - daily.

When we are right in God's sight He "fills us" with His Spirit - to produce in us the likeness of Jesus - His "*fruit of the Spirit.*" By His "Holy Spirit filling" God fits us to do His God-appointed, anointed sacred service for Him. He commands us:

*"Be filled with the Spirit."
(Ephesians 5:18)*

*Jesus was Led
by the Holy Spirit
Luke 4:1-13*

Again - Dr. Luke records it - Jesus was "*Led by the Spirit.*" Again, it's vital to us too - we need to be led by the Holy Spirit.

Jesus was **led** by the Spirit perfectly. He wants all who love Him to be Holy Spirit led too. Jesus said it often, "*Follow Me.*" Many did, and He **led** them - day by day. Just so, the Holy Spirit wants to lead you and me too.

Anyone "**filled**" with the Spirit is "**led**" by the Spirit - they go together. When Christians walk, work, witness their own way - without Holy Spirit leading - they may impress others - but they do not impress or please God. It is "self-flesh-works" again.

Where will God **lead** us? The Holy Spirit first **led** our Lord Jesus into the **wilderness** - to be tempted - tested - by the devil.

The songwriter said it, "God leads His dear children along - some thru water, some thru flood, some thru fire." Many precious people across this sad planet walk thru bleak, barren "wilderness" places - in trials and testing. But God says - the bitter times bear sweet "fruit of the Spirit." Like with our Lord.

Job knew hard "wilderness" treks, torturous testing Satan and others can cause (Job 1 and 2). In his trials Job found God fully faithful, learned to trust Him, no matter what.

Whenever God **leads** us into trials, it is to teach us always to trust and obey Him - whatever may come. And by these tests we learn to bear a faithful, fruitful witness of trust in God's loving grace - in whatever "wilderness" He may bring us to. Just as Jesus did. The sole purpose of anyone on this poor planet who loves Jesus is to live to mimic Him.

*Jesus was Powered
by the Holy Spirit
Luke 4:14*

Here Dr. Luke records our Lord's total triumph in His testing. Jesus beat the devil - decidedly. Then, back in Galilee, Jesus began to minister - *"in the power of the Spirit."*

In Galilee Jesus began His Messianic ministry - serving, healing, feeding people - preaching, teaching Good News of His Kingdom of Heaven. He was seeking, saving lost sinners. And - all He was, did, said - was *"in the power of the Spirit."*

Paul learned how to live and give himself to the power of the Holy Spirit. He said it to the Christians at Corinth -

*"My speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of **the Spirit and of power**: So that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the **power of God**" (I Corinthians 2:4,5).*

*"If our Gospel is hid, it is hid to those who are lost, in whom the god of this world has blinded the minds of those who believe not, lest the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine to them. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of **power may be of God**, not us."*

*"And He said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in (your) weakness.'" So, most gladly will I glory in my infirmities, that the **power of Christ** may rest on me. So, I take pleasure in infirmities, reproaches, needs, persecutions, distresses for Christ's sake - for when I am weak - then I am strong" (II Corinthians 4:3-7; 12:9,10).*

My beloved brother, sister in Jesus - you and I have no power to live for God in our "flesh-self." No one does. Only the Holy Spirit's **filling, leading, powering** can make it happen.

*Jesus was Anointed
by the Holy Spirit
Luke 4:16-19*

Now Dr. Luke records Jesus "**anointed**" by the Holy Spirit.

Holy Spirit Presence

Before the Spirit of God uses anyone, first He must be **present** in us - living in us, with us, upon us. God showed this to us.

"The Spirit of the Lord" Dr. Luke it. When Jesus began His earthly ministry - His record reads -
The Holy Spirit descended on Him in a form like a dove, and a voice came from Heaven saying, "You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased" (Luke 3:22).

Immediately after this, Jesus was tested and triumphed over Satan himself. He beat the devil - absolutely! Then Jesus began to minister to people - to teach His Word - the eternal Word of the living God. Now, in Luke 4:18, Jesus opened Isaiah's 700 year old Messiah power prophecy, reading this:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me."

"Upon Me" No one is "anointed by God" to live a Godly life, to do God-honoring works - to be a Jesus-witness - unless the Holy Spirit Himself is present in him.

When the Holy Spirit showed Himself descending from Heaven to dwell on Jesus, He was openly signifying that the Triune Lord God Almighty - God the Father and God the Holy Spirit - were Present in the Person of God the Son - to do God's eternal redemption work for lost sinner men and women.

Later, the Holy Spirit descended from Heaven to earth - on the

Day of Pentecost - to indwell all who believe in Jesus Christ. In that act, He was again signifying that God is - right now and forever - Present in Person - within every true believer in Jesus - present in power - to preach to all people on earth God's grand, good redemption true-love story.

It all began when God the Holy Spirit revealed **His Presence** upon our great, loving Kinsman-Redeemer and Messiah-Savior
"The Anointed One!"

What is Holy Spirit Anointing?

Jesus said, *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, for He has anointed Me."* So, exactly what is this Holy Spirit anointing?

His anointing is supremely important. Only Jesus wears that high, holy title: *"Messiah - Christ - Anointed One."*

"Christos" is in New Testament Greek language what *"Messiah"* is in Old Testament Hebrew language. They both mean the same: *"Anointed One."* Both titles apply ultimately only to our Lord Himself - God's Anointed - *"Christ Jesus."*

The "anointing ceremony" in the Bible, was the act of pouring sacred oil on a person or object - to signify him or it as - "set apart" - by God, to God, for God's holy use.

What the priest did in a symbolic anointing ritual, the Holy Spirit Himself does really - anointing, appointing spiritually the chosen person - to solely serve God.

"Anointed" to serve God how? Many vital, holy ways. Biblical anointing was the Spirit of God giving His authority and blessing to the anointed person - to be His prophet, or priest, or king, or servant - set apart by God Himself - to live fully for God's holy use.

The nation Israel's tabernacle, and later, the temple, their furnishings, vessels, utensils for their holy service, were all anointed with oil (picturing the Holy Spirit) before they could be used. Anointed as "set apart" by the Lord, to the Lord.

The altar of sacrifice was anointed, the laver of cleansing was anointed, the golden altar of prayer was anointed, the golden table for holy bread was anointed, the golden lampstand was anointed, the ark of the covenant of God, with its pure gold mercy seat, was anointed - for holy use by the high, holy God.

All of these pictured and pointed to the redeeming Person and Work of our great and gracious Savior-Lord Jesus Christ - who is the anointed "Great High Priest" and "Prophet of God" and the "King of kings and Lord of lords."

Jesus is God the Savior-Son - virgin-born of God the Father by God the Holy Spirit. He was appointed by God the Father, anointed by God the Spirit - to live the one and only perfect, virtuous life - to die the one and only vicarious death for the sins of the whole world, on the Cross taking on Himself the just judgment we all have coming - to rise from the death - in absolute-power victory over sin and death and Hell - to offer His pardon from sin to any who will come in personal trust to Him.

By His death and resurrection Messiah-Savior Jesus opened up free access to His saving grace, His loving mercy, His infinite pardon from all sins - to any and all who come to Him. And - Jesus did it all under the anointing of God the Holy Spirit.

One more thing about anointing. If we look very carefully at Luke 4 - verses 1 to 15 - we who desire to truly serve God must learn, understand, that there is a sacred sequence of events. First - the Holy Spirit's **presence** in us, His **filling** (full control), His infallible **leading**, His absolute **power**. The Holy Spirit must be in us and on us - or His **Anointing** is not.

*What Was Jesus Anointed to Do?
Why Did Jesus Come to Earth?*

What was the major mission and message of Jesus Christ on planet earth? In Luke 4:18,19 - is a prophecy that explains all.

The Old Testament prophet Isaiah (61:1,2), given 700 years before Jesus came to earth, wrote God's promise to send His Anointed One (Messiah) to redeem lost sinners. In that Nazareth synagogue on that Sabbath day, Jesus declared for all to hear, that He Himself is that One and Only promised Messiah-Savior sent from God.

One more vital fact. Before we see what the Holy Spirit anointed Jesus achieved on earth, here is a sober lesson for each Christian. It is this. Unlike our sinless Savior-Lord - we do sin.

And sin in us "resists, grieves, quenches" the Holy Spirit (see Acts 7:51; Ephesians 4:30, I Thessalonians 5:19). His anointed blessing is blocked, we do no real service for God. Until we repent and He pardons our sin. Without His anointing we do only "self-flesh works."

King David lost his Holy Spirit anointing. After his sins of coveting, adultery, murder, stealing Uriah's wife, Bathsheba, he repented, and from a contrite, broken heart he cried out to God:

"Cast me not away from Your Presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me" (Psalm 51:11).

David didn't lose salvation. But he lost the joy of his salvation, lost his Holy Spirit power-living - as the "*Lord's Anointed.*"

If our service is to count with God - we must do it with Holy Spirit anointing, His power-dynamic. Whether for "filling" to serve God, or "fruit-bearing" to be like Jesus - the Holy Spirit's presence, His filling, leading, power, anointing - are all vital.

*Six Wonder-Works of Jesus
that tell us
Why Jesus Came to Earth*

Now, we come to this amazing “Emancipation Proclamation” of Jesus Christ - seen in Dr. Luke’s Gospel 4:18,19. This great power-passage tells us all - Why Jesus Came to Earth. It says He was **sent** by God the Father, **anointed** by God the Holy Spirit, to do and declare - **God’s Wonderful Works**. And all of them - this wicked, war-weary world should welcome.

“Good News to the Poor”

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Jesus Came to Earth

“to Preach the Good News to the Poor”

“Preach the Gospel” (verse 18) is one long Greek word - “εὐαγγελιον” From it we get the terms “evangelize” and “angel” (messenger). It means: *“Good News!”*

Jesus is the premier, ultimate Good News Messenger. He came to evangelize - to preach His Good News - to a sin-sick, sorrow-filled, shame-fouled, soul-weary world. Jesus Christ came down from Heaven to earth - to declare to all us lost sinners His Good News to this sad, mad, bad news world - that He died for our sins, and arose to save all who trust in Him.

“Good News to the poor” Poverty is a consequence of sin.

It is one part of the sin-curse. It is a condition of stark material and physical loss - deep need. It includes hunger, hardship, cold, deprivation and much more. Most people on our sin-plagued, sorrow-pained planet's population are **“poor.”** To the **poor** Jesus preaches His riches.

All **poor people** who receive Jesus have this precious power-promise of His personal comforting presence on earth - right here, right now - and of His boundless blessings, beauty, bounty in Heaven - hereafter - forever.

His Good News to the poor is an important promise of God - Hundreds of millions of people on this planet never know the meaning of “plenty” in food, shelter, clothing, life's necessities.

But when Jesus comes - His promise will be forever fulfilled to all who are His. It is why His coming again is called “*the blessed hope and glorious appearing.*”

But, as awful as material, physical poverty is, there is a far worse destitution. It is to be “*poor in spirit*” - spiritually poverty-stricken, desolate in spirit, shut out and dead to God.

In His Sermon on the Mount Jesus said,

*“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.”*

Why would He speak blessing on folk called “*poor in spirit?*” Because God's spiritual blessings on the poor are far, far greater, better than the sin-curse that rests on those who are only rich in this world's goods.

You see it, don't you. A billionaire on earth - if he dies without Jesus Christ - is in **eternal poverty** - lost - shut out, cut off from God and His blessings - shut in to Hell - forever!

Before we know God we are ignorantly proud. We think we need **no** Savior, that God owes us Heaven. Our deceitful, desperately wicked heart feels (Jeremiah 17:9) "good enough" for God. And Satan, with his Christ-rejecting world system, dupes rebel sinners, saying, "Feel good about your sinner-self."

This false “I’m OK, you’re OK” idea exposes man’s deep spiritual **poverty**. Sinners live a proud lie, denying that they are dead to God, numbed in sin, unable to see their awful, abject **spiritual poverty** in the Presence of the high and holy Lord God Almighty Himself. It’s a sad tragedy.

The proud mind of lost men and women boasts, *“I am rich, increased with goods, needing nothing.”* But God sees all, and says to proud rebels - *“You are weighed in the balances and found wanting.”* Jesus says to all who ignore, deny, defy His so great, gracious, loving Salvation from sin and death and Hell - *“You know not (are ignorant) that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, naked”* (Daniel 5; Revelation 3:17).

The Bible says, without Jesus we are all **dead** to God, under sin’s curse, spiritual paupers, with **no hope, no good thing** to offer God at all. We are *“poor in spirit!”*

And - about being “poor in spirit” - everybody is!

Riches, fame - material, physical, social - **never** make anyone acceptable to God. Not now. Not forever. He says this -

“They are all under sin, there is none righteous, no, not one, none who understands, none who seeks God. They have all gone out of the way, there is none who does good, no, not one - that all the world may become guilty before God - for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God” (Romans 3:9-23).

Get the picture? It is stark and sobering. The high, holy Lord God Almighty sees us all as we truly are. All we do is polluted by our breaking God’s Laws. We all stand guilty before Him.

Jesus - that day - in that Nazareth synagogue - was saying to anyone willing to confess their **spiritual poverty**, that all sinners who come to Him receive the *“riches of His grace”* - both now -and in His coming *“Kingdom of Heaven!”*

Now, back to Luke 4:18. How fascinating it is to note that when Jesus preached His “*Good Tidings of great joy to all people*” - the very **first ones** He told it to were the “poor.” To them God's Good News is joy unspeakable and full of glory!

The great English pulpiteer of the 19th Century, Charles Haddon Spurgeon, stands high in human history as one of God's all-time greatest preachers. Saved at 15 years old, preaching at 16, at 19 Pastor of one of London's largest churches, where for 38 years he preached to eager and excited crowds of 10,000 people every Sunday.

His church congregation outgrew their first building, and made plans to build one big enough to hold the vast crowds. Some wanted to better the location of their new church building. But Spurgeon insisted that they remain where they were - in the **poor** area of London - **not** move to a so-called “better neighborhood.” And they did stay. The 5500 seat Metropolitan Tabernacle was built. And Spurgeon, like the Lord he loved, preached God's great amazing grace “*Gospel to the poor.*”

Question: Have you come - poor in spirit - to Jesus? Have you received God's wonderful Good News of true, real, eternal spiritual riches - in Christ? His riches can be forever yours!

“Heal Broken Hearts”

Two Jesus Came to Earth “to Heal the Brokenhearted”

Remember, this is a quote from Isaiah 61:1. Some New Testament Greek manuscript copies omit this line, as do some modern translations. They should not! For four vital reasons:

- 1- It is in Isaiah 61:1 in the Old Testament Hebrew Bible
- 2- It is in the Old Testament Greek Translation (Septuagint)
- 3- It is in New Testament manuscripts
- 4- It is true - absolutely!

Now, “sent” is in the Greek New Testament - *apostello*. We get “apostle” from it - “one sent on a mission with a message.” Latin gives us a word that means the same: “missionary.”

Jesus was the ultimate Gospel Missionary - God the Savior-Son, **sent** from the God the Father, with the God the Holy Spirit to give a lost world God's Good News.

In John's Gospel, 35 times Jesus used this term “apostle” to say that He was **sent** from His Father on His redemption mission - to preach His Message of the Cross and the Empty Tomb.

Again - why did Jesus come to earth? Why was He **sent**? From Heaven? His mission is: *“To heal the Brokenhearted.”*

Tennyson told us: “Never morning wore toward evening but some heart did break.” It's true. Misery never changes. It is the same as when man's first sin first plunged all of humanity under sin's evil curse. Sin and sorrow, hate and violence, disease and death - all continue - from generation to generation.

Today's men and women - even with all our scientific knowledge and expertise - still have no answers to life's most basic questions, no solutions to life's prime persistent problems.

Today the world has more misery than ever in human history. Why? Simply because more sinners live on this sin-plagued, soul-pained planet of 6.5 billion people. All of them need to know our great, gracious, good Savior-Lord Jesus Himself. He is The Right and Real Answer to all of man's woes.

Broken lives and plans, broken bodies and spirits, broken homes and promises - all equal broken hearts. And only Jesus Himself can "*heal the broken hearted.*"

Who is to blame for heartbreak? Is it "the system", society? Government? Educators? Politicians? Parents? Children?

Actually, all of the above are to blame. As long as lost sinner-men and sinner-women ignore, neglect, deny, defy, reject God, His Word, His Savior-Son - this world will suffer heartbreak. It is unavoidable, unchangeable -except by God Himself!

So - in order to change it - Jesus came - out of Heaven - down to Earth - *to heal* - as only He can - all **broken** lives, homes, hearts that are willing to come in trust to Him. Only Jesus is able to put broken hearts and lives back together again.

May I illustrate. In a town where I pastored was a lost man whose wife was in my church, she was one of my secretaries. I tried to talk to him of the Savior. But, though his life was a broken shamle, he was not willing to come to Christ. He told me so, "Preacher, I'm not ready yet. When I am, I'll tell you."

One day his 18-wheel big-rig truck hit a small car - killing three girls inside. It was not his fault, the girls were on drugs, pulled out in front of him. But the tragedy shattered him. Still, he was not yet ready to come to the Savior-Lord Jesus.

Then one day his truck, with someone else driving, hit a flock of sheep. He was called to the scene, and saw the agony of milling, mangled, crushed, broken, bleeding, bleating sheep scattered on the road. He wanted to shoot them, put them out of their misery, but the Highway Patrol said they could not, until the sheep owner gave permission.

This sad incident, again, shook the man, caused him more pain and deep heart anguish. His wife told me this.

So, I wrote him again (I was in another city). I spoke to him of those poor sheep, and told him we are just like them. God said it, Isaiah the prophet wrote it: *“All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned, every one, to his own way, and the Lord has laid on Him (Messiah Jesus) the iniquity of us all.”* Sin crushes and breaks us. But God loves us - and He cares!

In our sins we deserve the pain and suffering we get in life - and infinitely more. *“But God - who is rich in mercy - because of His great love wherewith He loved us even when we were dead in sins - has made us alive - in Christ!”*

God's plan for crushed, broken *“lost sheep”* is far better than letting us lie and die in misery. Instead - God saves us. He forgives our life-shattering sins, He heals our broken hearts and crushed lives, He gives us His own eternal life - and a fresh new start - now and forever.

The man got my letter - and he got the message. Not long after, his wife called, said he was ready to come to Jesus. It was my high joy to lead that man to the Savior. Today he is a beloved brother in Christ. And again, Jesus did His loving, life-giving, heart-healing work. It's just like Jesus. It's why He came.

Question: Have you come to Jesus for His healing of your aching breaking heart? Do it now.

“Liberate Captives”

Three

Jesus Came to Earth

“to Preach Liberty to the Captives”

Jesus came into the world to free slaves - sin-slaves. Here, “*preach*” is a different Greek word than to “evangelize.” It is “κηρύσσω.” It means to proclaim, announce, herald a message - as a king's herald in ancient times - went from town to town to proclaim the king's news to all who heard.

“Preach” - announce what news? *“Liberty to the captives!”*

Many these days, and in every generation, are “*captives.*” Prisons overflow, psycho wards are full, analysts' couches groan, under panic-stricken, mind-confused, soul-guilty, spirit-depressed, poly-phobic, mania-manacled people - in our America and all around this sin-plagued planet.

Sin - is the central cause of human captivity. Sins forge chains that shackle every sinner. And often those sins bind also those who are sinned against.

Go to India. See there the “Bombay Cages”, where thousands of teenage girls are literal slaves, bound in prostitution, their bodies bought at a pittance to satisfy a lecher's lust. They are all slaves to sin - both the sellers - the sold - the buyers.

Who can release and rescue them? Only Savior-Jesus. He alone can set sin-slaves free. And He does.

One ministry, in India, is “Operation Rescue”, begun many years ago by the late Dr. J. Leonard Bell and World Missions. Today it ministers to many of these precious former slave-girls - loving them, caring, helping, liberating - setting them free.

How? By *“Heralding - preaching - God's Good News”* of the Savior Jesus Christ, who came to seek, save, set free, set at liberty the “captives.” As we speak, by His Gospel, preached by national India preachers, Jesus is still offering to all those dear girls who choose to trust in Him - His forgiveness of sins, and His way out of the sin-shackles of their sin-slavery - into His free gift of eternal life. It is His *“release to captives.”*

And, Jesus does the same all over the world. Slaves to every sort of sin and shame - drugs, alcohol, coveting, gluttony, hate, sex-sins, and the list goes on - people trapped by sin - slaves of every sort - are saved and set free by the Savior Jesus Himself.

Current thought, among rebels who think they are smarter than God, says that what God calls “sins” are really excusable “addictions”, which a person cannot help, is not responsible for. But God says, they are all *“without excuse, escape, exception.”* God says, all who won’t repent, who ignore, deny, defy forgiveness offered by the Savior Jesus - will face Him as - Judge Jesus.

Too often today, when a man (or woman) chained by lust, feeding his mind and soul on porno-sex stuff, rapes someone, he is not called sin-guilty, but a “victim of sex-addiction.” Often he is not punished, just sent away for psycho “treatment.” The, even when he is not cured he is turned loose anyway - to seethe in lust, to stalk and rape again - still a slave to sin.

But God calls that person a guilty sinner - whose real cure can only come in trusting, knowing in person the Savior-Lord Jesus Christ Himself. Only Jesus is the message we preach. He alone sets at liberty sin-captives.

Again, alcoholics are called “victims” - their slavery “disease” - with no cure. How sad. How hopeless. It’s all a tragic lie.

Jesus calls “addicts” sin-chained sinners. They all need Him.

He said - *“Whoever commits sin is a slave of sin!”* And He gave a world of hopeless, helpless, lost sin-slaves His own absolute antidote - *“personal trust in Him.”*

*“If the Son makes you free,
you shall be free indeed!”*

(John 8:34-36)

Jesus delivers, frees, releases, liberates - any, all addicts - who choose to come in simple faith to Him. Yes He does.

Jesus came to Earth

“to preach deliverance to the captives.”

See that word *“deliverance?”* Just two lines down this Bible power-passage, the same Greek term is translated: *“liberty.”* It can also be translated, *“release”* or *“loose”* or *“set free.”* It’s a vital Bible term - because it also means: *“forgive!”*

“In Him (Jesus Christ) we have redemption thru His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace” (Ephesians 1:7).

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous, in order to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9).

When God, in His grace and love “forgives” our sins He “looses” us - “sets us free.” We are no longer slaves to sin.

Drug addicts, drunks, porno-sex-slaves, money-slaves (credit-junkies) - all these and more - can be set free - if they simply come to Jesus. He came to *“preach His liberty to captives.”*

Our whole world of sin-slaves needs to know Jesus!

“Sight to the Blind”

Four

Jesus Came to Earth

“to Preach Recovery of Sight to the Blind”

One affirming proof that Jesus is God's Messiah-Savior-King and Creator-Redeemer-Son, one absolute-power proof that He was sent from Heaven to Earth - was His miracles. Among His many supernatural miracles was - His healing blind eyes.

Isaiah prophesied that Messiah's Arrival would be authenticated by His many mighty miracles. This one too.

“The eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then the lame shall leap like a deer, the tongue of the dumb shall sing” (Isaiah 35:5).

God said it, Isaiah wrote it - the Messiah-Savior would be -

“A Light to the nations, to open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from the prison, those who sit in darkness from the prison house” (Isaiah 42:7).

So, when Jesus came from Heaven to Earth - prominent in His ministry - was miracles. Among them - *“sight to the blind.”*

No doubt, in His brief earthly life and ministry, thousands of blind people received their sight from our Lord Jesus Christ. Every one of His miracles - many thousands of them - validated, authenticated that - Jesus in Person - is God's promised Messiah-Savior-Son.

Jesus Himself pointed out these miracles as the fulfilled of Messianic prophecies - proving that He was in fact and act - the “Messiah-Savior-King sent from God.”

“The blind see, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor are evangelized” (Matthew 11:5).

In John's Gospel, chapter nine, is a striking example of Jesus healing blindness. In that account the terms “blind”, “eyes”, “see”, “open”, are used 44 times - more than in any other Bible Book. It's a power-packed proof-passage on this miracle - *“recovery of sight to the blind.”*

And - the day is getting close, when Jesus will come again, and for all who love Him - will open blind eyes - forever. Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Yet, think about this. There is a far greater miracle than opening sightless physical eyes. Yes there is. It is when Jesus gives spiritual sight to people in soul-darkness, and when He opens the spiritual blind eyes of lost men and women.

That is a far greater miracle. Because, physical sight lasts only a lifespan - but God-given spiritual sight - is for now - and forever. Believe it.

Read the sad heart-condition of soul blindness:

“We look for light, but there is darkness, for brightness, but we walk in blackness. We grope for the wall as the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes; we stumble at noonday as at twilight . . . as dead men in desolate places” (Isaiah 59).

Isaiah wrote the familiar passage we read at Christmas -

“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great Light; those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a Light has shined.

“For, to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given . . . His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:2,6).

Someone has well said, “None are so blind as those who will not see.” Jesus said as much to the religious leaders, Pharisees, who professed to believe the Bible, but whose faith was all a showy sham (John 9:39-41).

In Matthew 23 the Lord Jesus pronounced eight “woes” and seven times He called the Pharisees “hypocrites.” Five times He placed the blame squarely on them as being “*blind guides, blind Pharisees.*” Earlier, in Matthew 15, Jesus said they were “*blind leaders of the blind, and if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.*”

How true. In today’s exponentially increasing knowledge - more than ever in human history - the world is full of wanna-be leaders - politicians, so-called educators, dishonest scientists - and many more wanna-be guides. They are willfully blind - leading millions of willingly blind people - down, down, down away from God - into the doomsday ditch called “Hell.”

Now, think about this. Why is the whole world in such mass confusion? Why do rulers, leaders, and the people who follow them, all have no answers to this poor planet's evils and ills?

Why no answers? It is super-abundantly clear that - not educators nor scientists, not politicians nor religionists, not rich nor poor, not brilliant nor brain-damaged, not elite nor common folk - none can even start to solve our growing planet-wide problems. Why not?

Here's why not! Sin in the fallen, rebel human race - blinds us - robs us of His “light of life” - shrouding us in the deep darkness of deceit and everlasting death.

But Jesus came! He spoke loud and clear:

“I Am the Light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life” (John 8:12).

To this sin-dark world John opened his Gospel of Jesus -

“In Him was Life, and the Life was the Light of men, and the Light shined in the darkness, and the darkness overcame it not . . . that was the true Light, who lights every man coming into the world” (John 1:4,5,9).

Paul told us why the world is in darkness. It is the story of the true, real “descent of man” - down away from God.

“When they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, nor were thankful, but became vain (futile, empty) in their reasonings...their undiscerning hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools” (literally, God said “morons” Romans 1:21,22).

That, my beloved friends, is spiritual blindness. A rebel heart and mind - willfully closed to shut out God - to refuse His truth, His right, His good - a heart and mind set in unbelief - satisfied to be shut in to the darkness of the evil lies of Satan and all who side with him.

Satan himself was once “Lucifer”, the “DayStar.” But he fell, became a rebel against his Creator. And he became a “blind guide.” He deceived Adam and Eve, led them into the deep, dirty ditch of disbelieving and disobeying God. Satan poses as an “angel of light” when he is in fact the “prince of darkness.” All who side with him are in deep spiritual darkness too.

Spiritual darkness is why “the system” fails, why man has no real or right or rational answers to our planet's monumental moral, monetary, medical, military troubles.

Jesus Christ Himself is the only true Light and Life and Love in this world. Jesus came to save us from our sin-spawned troubles. But men and women, and often our youths too, love their own spiritual, moral, mental darkness rather than His Light - *“because their deeds are evil” (John 3:19,20).*

Light is part of the true nature of God. I John 1:5 says it -

“God is Light, and in Him is no darkness at all”

God created the Heavens and the earth in His perfection - in all their beauty and glory. In the sun, moon, stars, in their myriads of brilliant colors, we get just a narrow glimpse of His Light.

Then why is there so little light in this dark universe around us? Here’s why. When Satan and his rebel evil angels sinned against God - this whole universe was plunged into darkness. You can read the result in Genesis 1:2 and Isaiah 14:

“The earth was without form, and void, and darkness was on the face of the deep . . . and the Spirit of God was brooding over the face of the waters.”

Look out yonder, deep into outer space, what do you see? Darkness - all around us. Sin made it so. Sin keeps it so.

But God's first great Creation command was:

“Let there be light!”

“And there was light!” And God has been bringing His Light into man's spiritual darkness from that day to this.

Man’s Darkness

What is man’s spiritual darkness? Anything, everything - that is not - “right in God's sight!” All that God calls sin, wrong, bad, evil, error, lies - is spiritual darkness. All moral corruption, mental confusion (some call it “mental illness”), all social malfunction, worldwide chaos - all are due to deep, depraved spiritual darkness. Believe it.

God's Light

The opposite of man's spiritual, moral, mental darkness is God's marvelous light. All that is righteous, good, true, holy, pure, honorable in His sight - is His light.

With all our so-called "enlightened scientific advance" the same sick, sad old social struggles plague this planet - *"tears, death, sorrow, crying, pain."* And in all these endless troubles man is helpless - has no answers at all.

God alone has real, right answers. Yes He does. Only He can take away darkness - bring His marvelous glory-light.

God promised a perfect New Creation in His own due time. In the last two chapters of His holy Word - He describes His blessings to come - with Him - in His New Heavenly Jerusalem - forever. His promises are made to all who trust in His Savior-Son, the Lord Jesus Christ - great and precious promises.

"God Himself shall be with them and be their God. And God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying; and there shall be no more pain. Behold - I make all things new! There shall be no more curse . . . and (twice He says it) there shall be no night there . . . no night there" (Revelation 21:4,5,25; 22:5).

Jesus said, *"I AM the Light of th4 world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."*

As long as people ignore Him - His light - His right, truth, good - as long as they prefer their own darkness and evil deeds - and insist, persist in resisting Him - the world will continue in its deep social, moral, spiritual depravity - in its "descent of man" down, down away from God, and His blessings. There is no escape, no excuse, no exception to all who refuse Jesus Christ!

Question: Will you come to Jesus - His Light, Life, Love?

“Release to the Crushed”

Five

Jesus Came to Earth

“to Preach Release to those who are Bruised”

Isaiah 53 is a major Messiah Promise. It describes in detail how a rebel world would see and treat God's Redeeming Son. Isaiah prophesied how the Savior-Lord and Messiah Jesus would be seen and treated when He came to earth

“He is despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and we hid as it were our faces from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

But - far more important - Isaiah 53 reveals also how God Himself looked upon His own beloved, only begotten Savior-Son - Messiah Jesus - on the Cross. God's view was so certain and sure that He stated it as if it was already done. God's view was that Jesus was being “bruised” by Him - for our sins.

“Surely He has borne our griefs, carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

“But He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and with His stripes we are healed.

“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on Him (Messiah Jesus on the Cross) the iniquity of us all.”

God promised in the Garden of Eden, after first man's first sin, that our Savior would be “bruised.” On the Cross it happened. Our loving Lord Jesus was put on that Cross under man's cruelty and Satan's evil hatred - and Jesus was “bruised.”

Literally, God called this bruising - “crushing.” He promised Satan that, on the Cross Jesus would “bruise” - crush his head.

*“He (Jesus) will bruise (crush) your head,
and you will bruise (crush) His heel.”
(Genesis 3:15)*

On the Cross Jesus was “wounded” (heel-crushed) by Satan.
And on the Cross Jesus judged Satan (crushed his head).

But - far more important about the Cross than judging Satan -
is this - Jesus died on the Cross - first and foremost - to be -
“bruised (crushed) for our iniquities.”

The Cross was not only the Savior’s physical pain and suffering
- but on the Cross Jesus took on Himself the righteous wrath of
His Father-God - in our place - yours and mine - all of God's
just judgment that we all have coming - for all our sins.

*“Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree,
so that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness - by
whose stripes you were healed” (I Peter 2:24; cp Isaiah 53).*

That “bruising” Jesus willingly, gladly endured for our all sins -
*“And not for ours only,
but also for the whole world.”
(I John 2:1,2)*

Now - today - God wants you and me to know - that Jesus
understands our feeling of weakness when we too are bruised,
crushed by sin - our own sin, or someone else’s. Again, Isaiah
wrote that Jesus is gentle, caring, compassionate with us -
“a bruised reed He will not break” (Isaiah 42:3).

Whatever stress or sorrow you or I suffer, Jesus suffered it first.
He knows all about it. He has felt pain, rejection, distress, grief
(Hebrews 2:18; 4:14-16; 12:2-4). He knows fully how it feels
to be “bruised” - “crushed.” Yes He does. He came to:
“Preach release to those who are crushed!”

Question: Have you come to Jesus for His release from sin,

“Acceptable Year of the Lord”

Six

Jesus Came to Earth

“to Preach the Acceptable Year of the Lord”

This is the last of these six glorious declarations of our blessed Savior-Lord Jesus Christ. And what a wonderful way to finish!

“Acceptable!”

Accepted by the Most High, Most Holy LORD God Almighty. What a beautiful, blessed absolute-power promise!

Why is this promise so wonderful? Because all else our Lord came to proclaim to sinners - hinges wholly on this: our being “accepted” by God.

Mark it in your memory! There is **no** Good News from God, **no** broken heart healed, **no** sin-slave freed, **no** right sight given, **no** bruise relieved - **unless also** we are also “accepted” by God. Mark it! In our sins we are totally **un**-acceptable to God.

You see, God is absolute holiness. He is altogether infinitely righteous, true, good. Our sins are an infinite offense to the infinite holiness of God. So, our sins make us all absolutely **unacceptable** in God’s sight and in His Heaven.

You see it, don’t you. And you know it’s true. All the world stands **guilty** before the high, holy Lord God. You and me too. Remember cheater Jacob? When He saw God's goodness to him, he said - for us all - Genesis 32:10 -

“I am not worthy the least of all Your mercies.”

Our sins cut us off, shut us out from the Lord God Almighty.

We are illegal aliens, God's enemies - dead in our sins - dead to God - lost - cut off - shut out from God.

Remember this always: Heaven is a real place that God has prepared for real people - who come in simple faith (trust, belief) to His Savior-Son the Lord Jesus Christ.

God “accepts” no rebel sinner into His high, holy, happy Heaven. Not one. Why not? Well, think about it. If God accepted us sinners into Heaven - with unrepentant, unchanged hearts - we rebels would wreck and spoil the place - just as we are abusing, misusing, wrecking this beautiful little blue-ball dust-speck planet He gave us.

So - every sinner - is lost to God - dead in sins - cut off - shut out from God’s Heaven - deserves to “Go to Hell.” God said it -

“Be not deceived, God is not mocked. Whatever a man sows, he reaps. The soul that sins will die, the wage of sin is death. Fear Him who has power to cast you into Hell.”

Since all people are sinners - how can anyone be saved from Hell - and go to Heaven? Here’s how.

Jesus came to earth. He is God the Savior-Son. He is absolute righteousness Personified. His life-worth is infinite, absolute. So, when He died for our sins, His death was of **infinite worth** to pay in full the infinite price and penalty for our infinite rebel sins and offense against God.

By His Cross - Jesus paid the redemption price for our sins. To buy us out of Hell. By the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ all who simply trust in Him - are fully, finally, forever - *“accepted in the Beloved One” (Ephesians 1:6)*. *“The blood of Jesus Christ God's Son cleanses us from all sin”* - and makes us forever right with Him. Believe it! All who come to Jesus are - instantly and forever - **acceptable** to God. Not by our own works - God did it all - for us - on the Cross of Jesus.

On the Cross God the Father laid on God the Son all our sins. All His righteous judgment wrath against us and our sins - all our eternal Death and Hell - Jesus literally took on Himself - on the Cross - so now God pronounces sin's penalty - Paid in Full. Now God sets free from judgment forever - gives us His own eternal life to all who trust in Jesus. The sweet Psalmist said it:

“Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me bless His holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities; Who heals all your diseases, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies” (Psalm 103:1-4).

God does all this and infinitely more - when we trust in Jesus.

CONCLUSION

The children's song asks and answers life's most vital question:

Why did Jesus come to earth,
Born of God by virgin birth?
Jesus came down long ago, just because He loved us so!
Why did God give up His Son
on the Cross for everyone?
God gave Jesus long ago, just because He loves us so!

That sums it all up - tells it like it is. The most basic Bible teaching of all is this - There's a Savior above looking down in tender love - Jesus Christ. And today - He still seeks and saves any, every lost sinner who simply, personally trusts in Him.

The final question God asks us all, I now ask you, dear reader:

“What will you do with Jesus Christ?”

His high, holy, happy answer is -

*“Believe - trust, faith - in the Lord Jesus Christ
and you will be saved.”*

One More Thing

*“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth,
and created all things in them.*

He saw it all, and He said it all was - very good.”

God gave man His plan - and His blessings on a planet unsoiled, unspoiled by sin, hate, fear, pain, sorrow, death. But man doubted, disbelieved, disobeyed God. Rebel man and woman plunged the world into all things bad, evil, dead to God.

All Things New

But - an exciting, thrilling day is soon coming - it's not far off. A day filled with God's awesome, amazing grace wonders - a new Heaven and earth - re-created by Him - in pure perfection. No more sin or sin-curse. No tears, no death, no disease, no pain, no hate, no war, no sorrow, no crying. Only the sweet love, joy, peace, purity, truth, good, in the holy, righteous Jesus. In Heaven and on earth - only His infinite beauty, bounty, blessings - His Heaven Kingdom come - on earth too - forever.

When will it happen? Easy! When Jesus Comes Again!

“Behold! I make all things new!”

Never forget - even though this old creation was ruined by sin - He plans a new Heaven and Earth which is all righteousness. Count on it! God is faithful! What He has promised He is absolutely able to perform! His creation - once poisoned by sin - He will create again - perfected - fully, finally, forever!

This study is about real Jesus-answers to present day problems. Jesus Christ Himself came into this sad, mad, bad news world to solve present personal problems - for all who come to Him.

And He is doing it, as we speak.

He will do it for you too.

Simply say to Him - “Lord Jesus I trust in You.”