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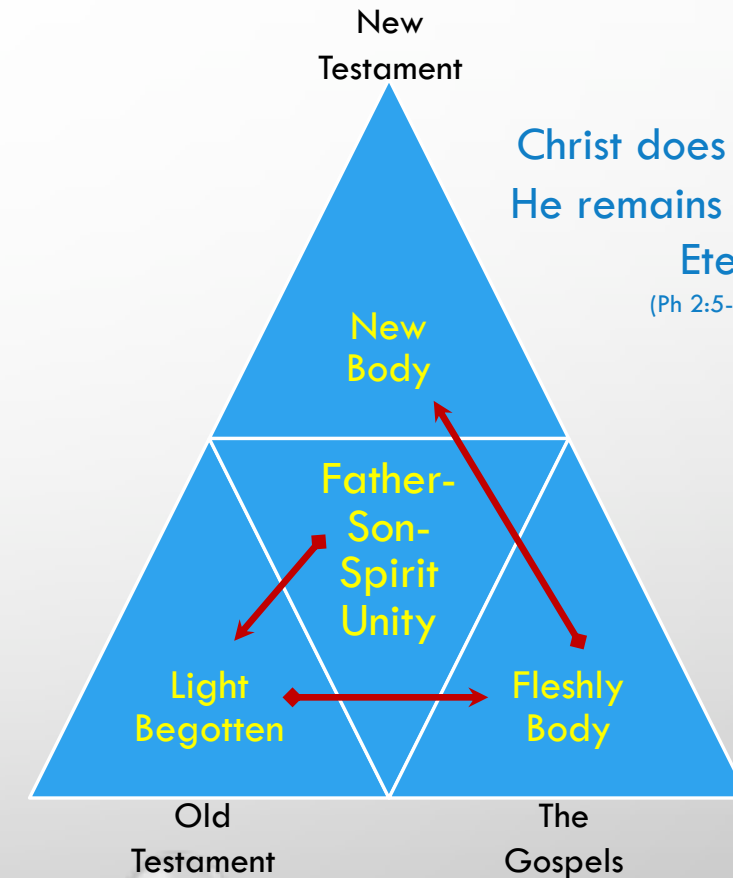
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BELIEVER'S *GLORY*
FROM THE FATHER

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PSALM 3:3-4

PROLOGUE: GAINING PERSPECTIVE DEGREES OF SEPARATION

- CHRIST BEGAN **IN** THE FATHER: ONE (JN 17:5)
- BEGOTTEN-LIGHT – SEPARATION, INTERFACE BETWEEN FATHER-MAN (GE 1:3-5; JN 1:1-5, 14; 1TI 2:5; HE 5:5)
- FLESHLY BODY – SACRIFICIAL LAMB; GOD’S WRATH FOR SINNER-BELIEVERS (RO 3:21-26)
- NEW BODY – *FIRST FRUIT* TO WHICH WE WILL ATTAIN (1CO 15:20, 28, 42-55)
- REMAINS IN NEW BODY AS INTERCESSOR BETWEEN FATHER AND US ETERNALLY (RE 21:22-25)



Christ does NOT go back;
He remains with the Saved
Eternally
(Ph 2:5-8; Re 22:1-5)

PROLOGUE: CHRIST RECOGNIZED BY SATAN-DEMONS

- CHRIST CAME TO EARTH IN A FLESHLY BODY: 2^o OF SEPARATION FROM THE FATHER
 - HE CONNECTED TO THE FATHER VIA THE SPIRIT AT HIS BAPTISM WHEN HE BEGAN HIS INTERCESSORY – SACRIFICIAL MINISTRY: THIS IS OUR LINK TODAY AND FOREVER (MT 3:13-17; 1CO 12:12-13; GA 2:20)
 - HE WAS IMMEDIATELY BESET BY SATAN WHO SOUGHT TO LURE HIS FLESH TO FAIL AS ALL FLESH PREVIOUSLY HAD FAILED: COVETOUSNESS VIA LUST OF THE FLESH-EYES AND PRIDE OF LIFE (MT 4:1-11; 1JO 2:15-17)
 - DEMONS ALSO RECOGNIZED AND ACCUSED HIM; BUT, THEY OBEY(ED) HIM (MK 5:1-13)
 - TEMPTATION TO SIN CONTINUED EVEN ON THE STAUROS {CROSS} (MT 27:38-44)
 - THEN HE IS *SEPARATED* TO SUFFER FATHER'S WRATH FOR SIN, THOUGH SINLESS, FOR ALL BELIEVERS (MK 15:33-39; RO 3:21-26; 2CO 5:21)
- CHRIST WAS BESET BY FOES ALL ABOUT; EVEN TEMPTED BY HIS OWN APOSTLES (MT 16:15-23; HE 12:1-4)

LET US CLEARLY UNDERSTAND CHRIST'S POSITION

- CHRIST CAME IN SINFUL FLESH, THOUGH WITHOUT *PERSONAL* SIN, TO BE AS MAN OR HE COULD NOT PAY FOR SIN; I.E., SON OF MAN (DA 7:13-14; 2CO 5:21; HE 2:14-18)
 - GOD HATES THE FLESH WHICH ALWAYS SEEKS TO ELEVATE ITSELF ABOVE GOD (RO 8:7-8; 1CO 1:28-30)
 - FLESH ONLY CONTROLLED BY HOLY SPIRIT; IF YOU SEEK TO CONTROL THE FLESH YOU STRENGTHEN THE FLESH (GA 5:17; COL 2:20-23)
 - CHRIST'S **ONLY** DEFENSE AGAINST THE FLESH; WORLD AND SATAN-DEMONS WAS THE SPIRIT; THUS, HE IS OUR EXAMPLE IN EVERYTHING FOR THIS IS OUR DEFENSE ALSO (1PE 2:21-25)
 - THUS, HE SUFFERED AS WE SUFFER EXCEPT; HE DID NOT SIN: WE OFT QUENCH-GRIEVE THE SPIRIT LEAVING OURSELVES **DEFENSELESS** (JN 14:15-17; RO 7:21-25; EP 4:30; 1TH 5:19; HE 2:18)

CHRIST SUBMITTED TO HIS HUMBLING

- CHRIST IS THE EPITOME OF HUMILITY IN THAT AS GOD, HE *WILLINGLY SUBMITTED* TO BEING SON OF MAN IN THE FLESH TO SUFFER GOD'S WRATH FOR SINFUL PEOPLE (EP 1:3-14; PH 2:5-8)
 - EACH OF THE BEATITUDES DISCUSSES CHRIST'S CHARACTER WHICH HE IS NOW DEVELOPING IN ALL WHO MATURE VIA THE SPIRIT (MT 5:2-12; 1CO 2:14; HE 5:11-14)
 - THIS IS ALSO THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT {SAVED} AS COMPARED TO THE WORKS OF THE FLESH (GA 5:19-25)
- CHRIST DID NOT ELEVATE HIMSELF ABOVE ALL PEOPLE; HE CAME AS GOD'S HUMBLE SLAVE
 - GOD WAS HIS SHIELD, EXQUISITE HEBREW IMAGERY: EXAMPLES-ABRAHAM AND JEWS (GE 15:1; DE 33:29)
 - CHRIST LOOKED TO FATHER TO GIVE HIM BACK HIS GLORY AND EXALT HIM AFTER HE **SUCCEEDED**
(JN 17; PH 2:9-11; COL 1:15-20; HE 2:5-8)

CHRIST PRAYED; FATHER HEARD

- CHRIST WAS NOT *PROTECTED* BECAUSE HE WAS GOD NOR BECAUSE HE WAS GOD'S SON; CHRIST **COMPLETED** THE MISSION, HIS SACRIFICIAL DEATH – BECAUSE HE PRAYED!
 - CHRIST OFTEN PRAYED ALONE, AT NIGHT, FREQUENTLY IN TEARS OVER THE SINFUL CONDITION OF PEOPLE, HIS TESTING {STRENGTH} AND SUFFERING FATHER'S WRATH FOR SIN (LK 22:39-46; HE 5:7-10)
 - CHRIST TOLD HIS APOSTLES, AND US, TO PRAY TO AVOID-ENDURE TEMPTATION BY RELYING ON THE SPIRIT RATHER THAN ONE'S OWN STRENGTH {FLESH} WHICH FAILS (RO 7:14-18; JA 1:5-15)
 - THIS IS HUMILITY IN ACTION: HUMBLING HIMSELF IN PRAYER VIA THE SPIRIT TO THE FATHER AND BEING HEARD BECAUSE OF HIS HUMILITY! HIS EXAMPLE FOR US TO EMULATE
- GOD HEARD HIM FROM HIS HOLY HILL: HEAVENLY ZION (EZ 28:14-15; GA 4:24-26; HE 9:22-24)

FATHER IS FAITHFUL; SWEARING BY HIMSELF (HE 6:13-16)

- THIS IS HUMILITY IN ACTION EXEMPLIFIED BY CHRIST: HUMBLING HIMSELF IN PRAYER VIA THE SPIRIT TO THE FATHER AND BEING HEARD BECAUSE OF HIS HUMILITY; NOT HIS POSITION
 - THIS DID NOT AVERT HIS MISSION; IT ALLOWED HIM TO COMPLETE HIS MISSION: PAYING FOR SIN (JN 19:28-30; HE 10:12-18)
- NOTICE THE CONTRAST BETWEEN DAVID AND THE SON OF DAVID, CHRIST (MT 1:1; 2TI 2:8; RE 5:5-6)
 - DAVID COULD PRAY AND BELIEVE GOD WOULD RESTORE HIS KINGDOM BECAUSE GOD WAS FAITHFUL TO HIS DAVIDIC COVENANT; EVEN THOUGH DAVID HAD SINNED TERRIBLY (2SA 7:8-16)
 - CHRIST PRAYED AND BELIEVED GOD WOULD GIVE HIM THE KINGDOM BECAUSE GOD WAS FAITHFUL TO HIS DAVIDIC COVENANT; FOR CHRIST TO EST. THE NEW COVENANT (JE 31:31-34; HE 1:8-13; 9:15-26)

WITHOUT PRAYER NOTHING IS POSSIBLE

- EXAMPLE EMPHASIZING PRAYER: APOSTLES COULD NOT CAST DEMON OUT OF BOY (MK 9:14-29)
 - FATHER BROUGHT HIS SON TO APOSTLES FOR THEM TO CAST OUT A DEMON {EPILEPSY}: FAILED
 - APPEALED TO CHRIST WHO APPROACHED THE CROWD; HE REBUKED THE CROWD FOR SEEKING *HEALINGS* RATHER THAN SEEKING SALVATION {DEMON POSSESSION BY-PRODUCT OF SINNING}
 - CHRIST TOLD FATHER THIS REQUIRED FAITH; FATHER ASKED CHRIST TO *HELP* HIS FAITH {PRAYER}
 - CHRIST CAST OUT THE DEMON, HEALING THE SON
 - APOSTLES ASKED WHY THEY WERE UNSUCCESSFUL; CHRIST TOLD THEM THIS *REQUIRES* PRAYER
 - PRAYING IS SIMPLY SPEAKING BELIEVING IN FAITH THAT GOD WILL ANSWER ACCORDING TO HIS WILL {OFTEN WE PRAY TO SATISFY OUR FLESH – SIN AND PRAYER UNANSWERED (MT 17:14-21; HE 11:1; JA 4:1-8)}

IF ELECTION; WHY PRAY

- THIS *FALSE DILEMMA* FALLACY SUBSUMES MECHANISTIC ELECTION WHICH IS NOT BIBLICAL
 - GOD HAS DECIDED SAVED FROM LOST ONLY BY DETERMINING WHOM HE WILL SAVE (EP 1:3-14)
 - LOST ACT CONSISTENT WITH THEIR SIN NATURE, AGREEING TO SIN AGAINST GOD (RO 1:18-32)
 - GOD ALLOWS THEM TO MAKE A WORLD BASED ON THEIR GOD – SATAN {PHILOSOPHY}
(RO 9:10-24; 2TH 2:3-12)
- SO, WHY PRAY? SAME REASON CHRIST PRAYED; AND CONTINUES TO PRAY (HE 7:25)
 - WE PRAY BECAUSE WE HOPE: SPIRIT WILL SAVE THOSE WHO SEE OUR FAITH AND HEAR THE GOSPEL; AND SPIRIT ALSO PRAYS FOR US AS WE SHOULD HAVE PRAYED {MATURITY} (RO 8:24-27; 2TH 2:13)
 - WE PRAY ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL WHO COMMANDS US TO PRAY - MATURATION (1TI 2:1-11)
 - WE PRAY AS IT NURTURES OUR HUMBLENESS WAITING ON CHRIST, WHO WAITED ON THE FATHER, WHILE WE GROW IN DISCERNMENT, AND FAITH: RESTING IN CHRIST – SPIRIT
(MT 11:28-30; RO 7:21-25 ; HE 5:7-14; 6:9-12)