



**PSALM 005-06**  
**REFUGE: WHEN? WHAT?**

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PSALM 5:11-12

# PROLOGUE: WORKS: BEARING ONE'S OWN SIN

- GOD LETS SINNERS *BUILD* A WORLD FROM THEIR OWN LIES BUT THERE MUST COME A DAY OF ACCOUNTABILITY {JUDGMENT} (RE 20:11-15)
  - GOD SAYS, “COME, LET US REASON TOGETHER...SIN...” (IS 1:18)
  - SINNERS DO NOT WANT TO REASON WITH GOD; THEY REJECT REPENTANCE (IS 6:9-10; EZ 3:16-19; RO 11:7-10)
  - THUS, GOD *GIVES THEM UP TO THEIR OWN DELUSION* (RO 1:18-28; 2TH 2:3-12)
  - GOD GIVES THEM THEIR DELUSION, FLOWS FROM THEIR OWN LIES; GOD LETS THEM *ENJOY* THEIR FRUITS: VIOLENCE, DEGRADATION, DEATH WHICH THEY THEN BLAME ON GOD (EX 17:1-7; NU 20:2-13)
  - THEIR COUNSELS, THEIR WORKS, REJECT GOD EMBRACING THIS CREATION EVEN THOUGH WARNED IT WILL PASS AWAY {TEMPORARY – SANDS IN AN HOURGLASS} (JE 2:11-13; MT 7:24-27; HE 1:10-12)

# PROLOGUE: REBELLION: ESSENCE OF SIN

- LIES ARISE FROM REBELLION AGAINST GOD WHILE **COVETING** TO BE GOD (ISA 15:23; COL 3:5)
  - MAN AND WOMAN WANTED KNOWLEDGE APART FROM GOD; HOWEVER, KNOWLEDGE WITHOUT GOD IS DECEPTION, LIES (JN 8:44; JA 1:13-18)
  - ALL BEHAVIOR FLOWS FROM ONE'S INNATE NATURE; SIN NATURE BEGINS AT CONCEPTION (PS 51:5)
  - GOD DELIGHTS ONLY IN TRUTH WHICH IS THE ESSENCE OF HIS NATURE (PS 51:6)
- SALVATION IS ONLY OF GOD; KNOWLEDGE OF GOD IS NOT THE BASIS: ELECTION (RO 9:6-16; JA 2:19)
  - PEACE WITH GOD COMES ONLY THROUGH CHRIST WHO DIED FOR YOUR SIN (JN 6:35-40, 44; RO 3:21-26; 5:6-11)
  - LAW OF EXCLUDED MIDDLE: LOST IN LIES OR SAVED IN TRUTH – WHICH ARE YOU? (RE 20:6)

# NO STABILITY-PERMANENCE IN THIS CREATION

- NOTHING IN THIS PHYSICAL CREATION HAS PERMANENCE: PAUL AND HEBREW'S WRITER WARNED THIS CREATION AWAITS ITS OWN *REDEMPTIVE* CHANGE VIA IMMUTABLE CHRIST  
(GE 3:17-18; 4:10-12; RO 8:18-22; HE 1:8-12)
  - GALACTIC WINDS AND INTERGALACTIC WINDS BOMBARD EARTH IN VARYING DEGREES DEPENDING ON EARTH'S MAGNETIC SHIELD STRENGTH {CURRENTLY DECREASING WITH MAG. POLE SHIFTS}
  - SUN RELEASES CORONAL MASS EJECTIONS AND IONIZING WINDS BOMBARDING THE EARTH WITH ENERGY FLUCTUATIONS AFFECTING EARTH'S MOLTEN CORE
  - BEDROCK *FLOATS* ON SEA OF MOLTEN METAL CAUSING EARTHQUAKES AND VOLCANOES (NU 16:25-35)
  - MOUNTAINS WERE CREATED IN NOAH'S CATAclySM AND WILL BE REMOVED IN CATAclySM OF THE GREAT TRIBULATION (2PE 3:3-13; RE 6:14; 16:20)

# DUALITY OF BODY AND SOUL: INTERTWINED BUT SEPARATE

- WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE INTRICACIES OF BODY AND SOUL TO BETTER UNDERSTAND GOD'S SALVATION AND PROMISES
  - GOD MADE THE BODY FROM ELEMENTS OF PHYSICAL CREATION; **THEN** HE BREATHED HIS IMAGE {ESSENCE} INTO THE BODY {SOUL} (GE 2:7)
  - GOD COMMANDED MAN TO NOT SEEK KNOWLEDGE APART FROM GOD FOR WHEN HE DID THEN DYING (תְּמוּתָ - PROCESS) {BODY} HE WILL DIE (מוֹתָ – IMMEDIATELY) {SOUL} (GE 2:17)
  - SALVATION CHANGES SOUL IMMEDIATELY {NEW NATURE}; LATER, ONE RECEIVES THE NEW BODY (2CO 5:17; 1CO 15:40-55; RO 8:20-25)
  - FIRST DEATH IS THE BODY {EVERYONE}; SECOND DEATH IS THE ETERNAL LAKE OF FIRE {LOST} (RE 20:4-15)
  - FIRST CREATION MELTS WITH HEAT; SECOND CREATION ETERNAL WITH CHRIST (HE 1:8-12; 2PE 3:11-13; RE 21:1-8)

# REFUGE NOW: SOUL OR NEW NATURE

- PSALMIST WRITES OF REFUGE BUT CLEARLY CANNOT REFER TO THE BODY
  - HEBREW'S WRITER DETAILS HISTORICAL PERSECUTION OF THE SAVED BY THE LOST (HE 11:36-39)
  - PAUL, PETER AND JOHN WERE PHYSICALLY KILLED-ABUSED FOR THEIR FAITH (2TI 4:6-8, 17-18; JN 21:18-19; RE 1:9-11)
  - CHRIST'S BODY KILLED BY UNBELIEVERS WHO SHOULD HAVE BEEN BELIEVERS: "WHAT IS TRUTH?"  
(JN 18:33-40; 19:28-30)
- LOST HOPE TO MAKE {WORKS} REFUGE IN THIS CREATION ESCAPING JUDGMENT (RO 1:18-28)
  - IGNORING SOUL REDEMPTION, THEY CONCENTRATE ON BODY IMPROVEMENTS {TRANSHUMANISM}
  - CHRIST WARNED BODY CANNOT BE REDEEMED AND THE SOUL WILL BE JUDGED (LK 12:4-5); PH 3:18-19
  - CHRIST CANNOT LOSE ANYONE'S SOUL {NEW NATURE} WHOM FATHER-SPIRIT SAVES; BODY WILL BE REPLACED TO EXIST IN NEW CREATION AS WAS THE *OLD NATURE* (JN 10:14-18, 27-30; PH 3:20-21)

# OUR REFUGE: HOPE

- BELIEVER'S REFUGE IN THIS CREATION SUMMED UP IN ONE WORD: HOPE {ἐλπίς, ELPIS} (RO 8:18-39)
  - IN THE IMPERMANENCE OF THIS CREATION IN WHICH ALL THAT IS SEEN IS PASSING AWAY, OUR BODIES WILL ALSO PASS AWAY BECAUSE...SIN (RO 8:5-10)
  - LOST KILL US JUSTIFYING THEMSELVES BUT CANNOT HARM OUR SOULS; THOUGH THEY SLAUGHTER US THEY CANNOT SEPARATE US FROM CHRIST'S LOVE: SEND US TO HIM (PS 94:16-17)
  - LOST REJECTED REFUGE OF CHRIST FOR GODS THAT ARE NO GODS {IMPERMANENCE} UNTIL THEY ARE ETERNALLY SEPARATED FROM GOD IN LAKE OF FIRE {PERMANENCE OF CHOICE}  
(DE 32:15-18, 37-38; IS 17:9-10; JE 2:10-13, 28; RE 21:8)
- IF WE HAVE COMPLETE REDEMPTION NOW, WE DO NOT HAVE HOPE OR FAITH BUT {WORKS} WALK BY SIGHT LIKE THE LOST ATTRACTED BY POWER LIKE SIMEON: DIFFERENCE? (AC 8:14-24; 2CO 5:6-10)
  - THUS, WE REJOICE IN CHRIST, IT IS ALL HIM AND NOT US, SINGING A **NEW ETERNAL** SONG OF JOY  
(PS 33:1-6; 40:1-5; 96:1-6; 149; EP 2:1-10; RE 5:6-10)

# GOD'S PROTECTION: CHRIST'S EXAMPLE

- GOD SPREADS HIS PROTECTION OVER HIS PEOPLE, TO PRESERVE THEIR SOULS, EVEN THOUGH THEIR BODIES ARE KILLED {FIRST DEATH – UNAVOIDABLE}: CHRIST OUR EXAMPLE (1PE 2:20-25)
  - GOD'S PROTECTION IS NOT LIKE THE WORLD'S OR EVEN THIS PHYSICAL CREATION'S; IT DOES NOT VARY NOR LEAVE US: **EVER** (JN 14:18-28; JA 1:13-18)
  - GOD IS REDUCING SPIRIT'S RESTRAINING INFLUENCE SHOWING LOST THEIR LACK OF CONTROL JUST AS EARTH'S MAGNETIC SHIELD IS WEAKENING ALLOWING IN MORE ENERGY DISRUPTING EARTH'S STABILITY: PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL WARNINGS OF LOST'S IMPERMANENCE (2TH 2:3-12)
  - CHRIST WAS RESURRECTED; THUS, WE SHALL ALSO BE RESURRECTED IN HIS NAME (RO 6:1-11; GA 2:20)
  - THEREFORE, **OUR** ROCK WILL NEVER MOVE; HIS PROTECTION OVER US IS LOVE IN NEW CREATION (SS 2:4; DA 2:44-45; 7:13-14; 1CO 10:1-13)



# GOD'S GRACE: OUR PROTECTION

- BECAUSE OF CHRIST'S FINISHED WORK, FATHER BLESSES THOSE SAVED IN CHRIST (RO 5:15-17)
  - IT IS THROUGH CHRIST ALONE THAT FATHER GIVES GRACE; FENCING US IN FROM SIN'S RAVAGES
  - IMAGERY OF PENNED SHEEP WAITING TO HEAR THEIR MASTER'S VOICE TO BE LET OUT INTO NEW PASTURES FREE FROM PREDATORS WHO WOULD DEVOUR US (JN 10:1-18)
  - HIS *ROD AND STAFF* ARE A SHIELD TO US, PROTECTING WHILE CORRECTING US (PS 23)
- PSALMIST SHOWS THE PRECARIOUS POSITION OF THE LOST WHO BELIEVE THEY ARE ON SOLID GROUND WHILE THEY RAGE IN THEIR SIN (PS 73:16-20)
- GOD PROTECTS US THOUGH WE GO ASTRAY BECAUSE OF HIS GREAT NAME; THUS, WE REJOICE IN CHRIST'S NEWNESS OF LIFE FOR ETERNITY: HE IS OUR TENT COVERING US

(PS 18:1-6; 73:21-28; RE 21:1-4; 22:1-5)