

## **26 Golden Links to God**

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## Welcome Dear Reader

THIS SMALL PUBLICATION has been prompted by a question, and I'd like to share the story with you.

One evening I was going to a school meeting. I arrived early just as another parent was walking up to the hall. He introduced himself and somehow we began talking about spiritual things and God. I didn't know if this man called himself a Christian but he seemed interested in what we were talking about. Then, he asked a question and I detected a little animosity in his voice.

"With so many interpretations of the Bible floating about, what makes your interpretation any different than all the others?"

Just as I was about to answer, my new acquaintance saw a friend arriving and hurried off. As you can imagine, his question lingered, unanswered, in my mind. The answer I was going to give the man was this: The Bible doesn't need an interpreter. What the Bible says, *is* truth."

For example, if the Bible says there is a Son of God, then there is a Son of God.

"And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, 'This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.'" (Matthew 3:17, NKJV)

Rather than going to church each week and looking to the pastor or minister or priest to reveal God, or reading the latest book by a famous theologian, or listening to a professor of religious studies, you will agree that finding truth directly from the Bible is rather refreshing!

Above all you might have heard, Bible truth is God's voice speaking to you, to me, and to every one of us who seeks that elusive something, that empty space in our lives which seems only fulfilled in God. Even more astounding, as we continue seeking, we learn the Bible is His divine communication to all human life, whether accepted or rejected by the majority of people around us.

God has some extraordinary things he wants to say to each of us and He wants us to listen. If we do listen we will learn - about God, the true meaning of life, and what lies behind the facade of our troubled world. God wants us to know that He is our Creator and we are extraordinarily important to Him. Yes, even you.

And God is uniquely honest. He wants you to know that in the beginnings of Planet Earth a dark force invaded our world. This dark force enticed the first humans Adam and Eve to experiment with the knowledge of evil. Through Eve's and then Adam's fall to sin the dark force entered the opened door of evil and marched into the new world. This force claimed Planet Earth as their dark kingdom, holding human life to ransom even to our day.

Yes, the Bible reveals the past, present and future of spiritual warfare that rages between God's force of light and the force of the dark side.

At the same time, throughout the Bible, like a strong beautiful golden chain, God's word opens the way for the fallen human race to escape the evil grip of the dark force. His way is all about a relationship between you and God the Father, and His only begotten Son. Yes, even you.



Linking Bible texts relating to the same topic of truth is much like piecing together a jumbled jig saw puzzle. Lo and behold, a perfect image of God's truth will formulate before our eyes guiding us into a true spiritual relationship with God the Father and His only begotten Son.

“Whom shall he teach knowledge? And whom shall he make to understand doctrine? Them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:” (Isaiah 28:9-10, KJV)

“These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.” (1 Corinthians 2:13-14, NKJV)

“But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.” (1 Corinthians 2:10, NKJV)

“Turn at my rebuke; Surely I will pour out my spirit on you; I will make my words known to you.” (Proverbs 1:23, NKJV)

Because God's truth is spiritually discerned and understood through the empowerment of God's Holy Spirit, our first vital step is to pray to God, that through His Spirit He may enlighten our minds with His true knowledge.

“In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.” (Matthew 6:9-13, NKJV)

And please Father in heaven, guide us in Your Word that Your Spirit may enlighten our minds to receive Your truth in all purity. May Your Holy Spirit empower us to

accept and follow on in your truth till we reach your heavenly kingdom of holiness where no evil abides. Dispel the spirit of the dark force from our minds and establish our lives in the saving righteousness of Your only begotten Son, who said:

“I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.” (John 14:6, NKJV)

In Your Son’s saving name we pray and we thank You for answered prayer, Amen.



## 1. The Son of God is the Word of Life

AND SO OUR QUEST for true knowledge begins with the Bible. And what do we see?

First and foremost we see that Jesus, the only begotten Son of God is the Word of life. The divine communicator of the universe, communicating His Father's will to inhabited worlds orbiting in Their vast creation. And entering a new era of time, with the fall of Planet Earth to sin, in an extra special way the Son of God becomes mediator and communicator to sinful humanity. Being the Word of life the Son of God is the beginning and spiritual essence of the inspired word written in the Bible.

In name, the Son of God is the Word of God.

“Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.” (Revelation 19:11-13, NKJV)

In Divine life the Son of God is the living Word.

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.” (John 1:1-4, NKJV)

And being the Word, the Son of God joined Himself to the human race that He might join us to His Father in new spiritual life.

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14, NKJV)

“That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life— the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us— that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.” (1 John 1:1-3, NKJV)

“Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: ‘Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin You had no pleasure. Then I said, “Behold, I have come— In the volume of the book it is written of Me— To do Your will, O God.”’” (Hebrews 10:5-7, NKJV)

In His human life, Jesus the Son of God, the Word of God spoke and taught true doctrine.

“And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine.” (Matthew 7:28, KJV)

“My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass.” (Deuteronomy 32:2, KJV)

“Jesus answered them, and said, ‘My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.’” (John 7:16, KJV)

“Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.” (2 John 9, NKJV)

“Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, ‘If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.’” (John 8:31-32, NKJV)

“Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.” (John 8:36, NKJV)

“Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.” (John 14:6, NKJV)

“But Jesus answered him, saying, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.’ ”” (Luke 4:4, NKJV)

“...who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.” (1 Timothy 2:4, NKJV)

“You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.” (John 5:39, NKJV)

“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.” (John 5:24, NKJV)





## 2. The Bible Inspired by God's Holy Spirit

AND SO THE SON OF GOD, who is The Word, the divine communicator, channels His life spirit through the inspired word compiled in the books and letters of the Bible.

This means that over time God chose certain humans through whom He spoke His word. And the words of truth they spoke, inspired by God, were written on parchments or scrolls. In more recent times the parchments or scrolls were compiled in the fullness we now call the Bible. God's intention is to speak to each of us through the Bible.

"...knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." (2 Peter 1:20-21, NKJV)

"...whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began." (Acts 3:21, NKJV)

"Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace that would come to you, searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow. To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you through those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things which angels desire to look into." (1 Peter 1:10-12, NKJV)

"And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God." (1 Corinthians 2:4-5, NKJV)

"Men and brethren, this Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke before by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus;" (Acts 1:16, NKJV)

"The Spirit of the Lord spoke by me, And His word was on my tongue." (2 Samuel 23:2, NKJV)

"Then the Lord put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said to me: 'Behold, I have put My words in your mouth.'" (Jeremiah 1:9, NKJV)

"Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments

endureth for ever.” (Psalm 119:160, KJV)

“Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven.” (Psalm 119:89, NKJV)

“The entirety of Your word is truth, And every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever.” (Psalm 119:160, NKJV)

“But I will tell you what is noted in the Scripture of Truth. (No one upholds me against these, except Michael your prince.” (Daniel 10:21, NKJV)

“...(and the Scripture cannot be broken)...” (John 10:35, NKJV)

“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,” (2 Timothy 3:16, NKJV)

“For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” (Hebrews 4:12, NKJV)

“The entrance of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple.” (Psalm 119:130, NKJV)

“Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path.” (Psalm 119:105, NKJV)

“Direct my steps by Your word, And let no iniquity have dominion over me.” (Psalm 119:133, NKJV)

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.” (Romans 10:17, NKJV)

“Search from the book of the Lord, and read: ...” (Isaiah 34:16, NKJV)

“...as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby...” (1 Peter 2:2, NKJV)

“ Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.” (James 1:21-22, NKJV)

“...having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,” (1 Peter 1:23, NKJV)

“Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.” (1 Timothy 4:16, NKJV)

“This is my comfort in my affliction, For Your word has given me life.” (Psalm 119:50, NKJV)

“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on

the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God..." (Ephesians 6:10-17, NKJV)



### 3. The One True God

NOW THAT WE HAVE ESTABLISHED the Bible's authority as God's inspired word our next link in the chain is to meet God Himself, the living source of the Bible. And this is whom we see in person and Spirit, the one true God, the origin of divinity, His supernatural being, He who has existed from eternity without beginning.

"Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God." (Psalm 90:2, NKJV)

"For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse," (Romans 1:20, NKJV)

"Behold, God is great, and we do not know Him; Nor can the number of His years be discovered." (Job 36:26, NKJV)

"...He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords..." (1 Timothy 6:15, NKJV)

The one true God is the origin and one true source of divinity, one in person and one in Spirit.

"So the scribe said to Him, 'Well said, Teacher. You have spoken the truth, for there is one God, and there is no other but He.'" (Mark 12:32, NKJV)

"Therefore concerning the eating of things offered to idols, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is no other God but one. For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as there are many gods and many lords), yet for us there is one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we for Him; and

one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and through whom we live.” (1 Corinthians 8:4-6, NKJV)

“But the Lord is the true God; He is the living God and the everlasting King.” (Jeremiah 10:10, NKJV)

Satan and his evil force of demons know very well there is only one true God from whom all life originates

“You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe—and tremble!” (James 2:19, NKJV)

“Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us?” (Malachi 2:10, NKJV)

“...one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.” (Ephesians 4:6, NKJV)

“And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.” (John 17:3, NKJV)

“Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honour and glory forever and ever. Amen.” (1 Timothy 1:17, NKJV)



#### **4. God’s Divine Nature and Character**

WITH ALL ENCOMPASSING LOVE, God is compassionate and kind. For in living essence God is the origin of true love.

Not a spun candy floss love - sweet to the taste but lacking real substance. God’s love is deep flowing, reliable, strong and consistent. And equal to God’s love is the strength and purity of His righteous character administering mercy, justice and fair judgement. Rest assured God’s Holy name is His bond of love, pulsating in our humble lives.

“Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.” (1 John 4:7-8, NKJV)

“And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.” (1 John 4:16, NKJV)

“Through the Lord’s mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail

not. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.” (Lamentations 3:22-23, NKJV)

“I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely, For My anger has turned away from him.” (Hosea 14:4, NKJV)

“The Lord has appeared of old to me, saying: ‘Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; Therefore with lovingkindness I have drawn you.’” (Jeremiah 31:3, NKJV)

“For I proclaim the name of the Lord: Ascribe greatness to our God. He is the Rock, His work is perfect; For all His ways are justice, A God of truth and without injustice; Righteous and upright is He.” (Deuteronomy 32:3-4, NKJV)

“And you shall swear, ‘The Lord lives,’ In truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; The nations shall bless themselves in Him, And in Him they shall glory.” (Jeremiah 4:2, NKJV)

“Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne; Mercy and truth go before Your face.” (Psalm 89:14, NKJV)

“You love righteousness and hate wickedness...” Psalm 45:7, NKJV)

“Surely God will never do wickedly, Nor will the Almighty pervert justice.” (Job 34:12, NKJV)

“The Lord is righteous in all His ways, Gracious in all His works.” (Psalm 145:17, NKJV)

“...that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us.” (Hebrews 6:18, NKJV)

““God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?” (Numbers 23:19, NKJV)

“For who in the heavens can be compared to the Lord? Who among the sons of the mighty can be likened to the Lord? God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, And to be held in reverence by all those around Him.” (Psalm 89:6-7, NKJV)

“Sing to God, sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides on the clouds, By His name Yah, And rejoice before Him.” (Psalm 68:4, NKJV)

“He has sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever: Holy and awesome is His name.” (Psalm 111:9, NKJV)

“The name of the Lord is a strong tower; The righteous run to it and are safe.” (Proverbs 18:10, NKJV)

“Stand up and bless the Lord your God Forever and ever! “Blessed be Your glorious name, Which is exalted above all blessing and praise!” (Nehemiah 9:5, NKJV)



## 5. God Begot a Son

FAR, FAR BACK in the realm of timeless eternity, beyond human calculation or understanding, the one God lives alone, until a most wonderful event unfolds from His life. Of His life the one God gives birth to a Son. A Son conceived in the Father's express image, inheriting the Father's Divine nature and born through the Father's spirit of immortal life.

“For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself,” (John 5:26, NKJV)

““Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion. I will declare the decree: The Lord has said to Me, ‘You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.’” (Psalm 2:6-7, NKJV)

“For to which of the angels did He ever say: ‘You are My Son, Today I have begotten You’? And again: ‘I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son?’” (Hebrews 1:5, NKJV)

“So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him: ‘You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.’” (Hebrews 5:5, NKJV)

**God's only begotten Son is the first born of universal life. Born of His Father's divinity He is truly unique, the only one born of His kind in the entire universe.**

“He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.” (Colossians 1:15, NKJV)

“But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: ‘Let all the angels of God worship Him.’” (Hebrews 1:6, NKJV)

Begotten of His Father, wisdom and power flows from the Father through the life of His Son.

“...Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God...” (1 Corinthians 1:30, NKJV)

“...Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.” (1 Corinthians 1:24, NKJV)

And so in Proverbs chapter eight, the Son of God with His Voice of wisdom speaks of His profound beginnings, begotten of His eternal Father and nurtured through a relationship of the only begotten Son.

“The LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. When there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth: While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world. When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth: When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth: Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him;” (Proverbs 8:22-30, KJV)

“...Son of the Most High God...” (Luke 8:28, NKJV)

“...who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,” (Philippians 2:6, NKJV)

“For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell...” (Colossians 1:19, NKJV)

“For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.” (Colossians 2:9-10, NKJV)

“The Father loves the Son, and has given all things into His hand.” (John 3:35, NKJV)



## **6. God the Father is the Divine Father of All Fathers**

God the Father is the original Father, the beginning of all fathers. And being the loving care giver, all life comes under His tender regard, faithfully supplying our daily needs. And in a wonderful way encircling us with his merciful love, our heavenly Father enfolds us into a relationship of Father and child. Adopted into the royal family of God the Father and His only begotten Son, is the ultimate experience of life, ever growing in depth of meaning through endless eternity.

“For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named...” (Ephesians 3:14-15, NKJV)

“Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us?” (Malachi 2:10, NKJV)

“A father of the fatherless, a defender of widows, Is God in His holy habitation.” (Psalm 68:5, NKJV)

“...casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.” (1 Peter 5:7, NKJV)

“Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father’s will. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.” (Matthew 10:29-31, NKJV)

“Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What shall we eat?” or “What shall we drink?” or “What shall we wear?” For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.” (Matthew 6:25-33, NKJV)

“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!” (Matthew 7:7-11, NKJV)

“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.” (James 1:17, NKJV)

“Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.” (1 John 3:1, NKJV)

“Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’” (John 14:6, NKJV)





## 7. The Divine Relationship between Father and Son Surpasses All Other Relationships

RESONATING FROM THE BEGINNING Throughout eternity, the birth of God's only begotten son is the Father's exalted gift of love bestowed upon the universe. And the spiritual relationship of God the Father and His only begotten Son is the pulsating heart beat of the everlasting gospel to save fallen humanity from sin and the penalty of everlasting death.

“(For the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;) That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.” (1 John 1:2-3, KJV)

“No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.” (John 1:18, NKJV)

“...who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high...” (Hebrews 1:3, NKJV)

“Jesus said to them, ‘If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me.’” (John 8:42, NKJV)

“He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love...” (Colossians 1:13, NKJV)

“He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.” (1 John 3:8, NKJV)

“I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world and go to the Father.” (John 16:28, NKJV)

“Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?” (1 John 5:5, NKJV)

“She said to Him, ‘Yes, Lord, I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.’” (John 11:27, NKJV)

“And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.” (1 John 4:14-15, NKJV)

“Come near to Me, hear this: I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; From the time that it was, I was there. And now the Lord God and His Spirit Have sent Me.” (Isaiah 48:16, NKJV)

“For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.” (John 6:38, NKJV)

“Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.” (John 17:24, NKJV)

“Behold! My Servant whom I have chosen, My Beloved in whom My soul is well pleased! I will put My Spirit upon Him, And He will declare justice to the Gentiles.” (Matthew 12:18, NKJV)

“When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” (Matthew 3:16-17, NKJV)

“In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.” (1 John 4:9-10, NKJV)

“He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?” (Romans 8:32, NKJV)

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.” (John 3:16-17, NKJV)

“For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.” (Romans 5:6-10, NKJV)

“And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus

Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.” (1 John 5:20, NKJV)

“And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.” (John 17:3, NKJV)

“And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.” (1 John 5:11, NKJV)

“Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: ‘Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him.’” (John 17:1-2, NKJV)

“Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself;” (John 5:25-26, NKJV)

“And this is His commandment: that we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another, as He gave us commandment.” (1 John 3:23, NKJV)

“When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, ‘Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?’ So they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter answered and said, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’ Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.’” (Matthew 16:13-17, NKJV)

“And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, ‘This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!’” (Luke 9:35, NKJV)

“I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and that no lie is of the truth. Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son. Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also.” (1 John 2:21-23, NKJV)

“Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: ‘Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You...’” (John 17:1, NKJV)

“I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.” (John 17:4-5, NKJV)



## 8. The Spirit of God the Father and His Only Begotten Son

THE PERSONALITY OF GOD the Father, is Spirit, the divine origin of all spirits. When begotten of His Father, the Son received His Father's immortal Spirit of divine life and thus Father and Son share the one and the same eternal Spirit. Their supernatural spirit essence and spirit presence permeates the universe with spiritual life.

The one true God is the origin and living essence of the Holy Spirit.

“Come near to Me, hear this: I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; From the time that it was, I was there. And now the Lord God and His Spirit Have sent Me.” (Isaiah 48:16, NKJV)

“God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” (John 4:24, NKJV)

“Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live?” (Hebrews 12:9, NKJV)

“If He should set His heart on it, If He should gather to Himself His Spirit and His breath, All flesh would perish together, And man would return to dust.” (Job 34:14-15, NKJV)

“And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.” (Revelation 11:11, KJV)

“Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.” (Romans 15:19, KJV)

“How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?” (Hebrews 9:14, KJV)

“And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.” (Ephesians 4:30, KJV)

And so just as the Holy Spirit is the life essence of God the Father, the one true God, receiving His Father's Spirit of life, the only begotten Son, is also Spirit in union with His Father.

“For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.” (Ephesians 2:18, KJV)

“There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.” (Ephesians 4:4-6, NKJV)

“...for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father who speaks in you.” (Matthew 10:20, NKJV)

“And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.” (Galatians 4:6, KJV)

“And so it is written, ‘The first man Adam became a living being.’ The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual. The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven.” (1 Corinthians 15:45-47, NKJV)

“Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.” (2 Corinthians 3:17, KJV)

“For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,” (Philippians 1:19, NKJV)

“So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His. And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.” (Romans 8:8-11, NKJV)

“For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.” (Romans 8:2, KJV)

“Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.” (1 Peter 1:11, KJV)

“...that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love...” (Ephesians 3:16-17, NKJV)

“When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.’ And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’ (John 20:20-22, NKJV)

“But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.” (1 Corinthians 12:11, NKJV)

“Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.” (2 Corinthians 3:17, NKJV)

“And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them, as upon us at the beginning. Then I remembered the word of the Lord, how He said, ‘John indeed baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’” (Acts 11:15-16, NKJV)

“But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all..” (1 Corinthians 12:7, NKJV)

“But truly I am full of power by the Spirit of the Lord, And of justice and might, To declare to Jacob his transgression And to Israel his sin.” (Micah 3:8, NKJV)

“Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.” (Psalm 51:11, NKJV)

“Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?” (Psalm 139:7, NKJV)

“Am I a God near at hand,’ says the Lord, And not a God afar off? Can anyone hide himself in secret places, So I shall not see him?’ says the Lord; ‘Do I not fill heaven and earth?’ says the Lord.” (Jeremiah 23:23-24, NKJV)

“By His Spirit He adorned the heavens...” (Job 26:13, NKJV)

“You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; And You renew the face of the earth.” (Psalm 104:30, NKJV)

“Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?” (1 Corinthians 3:16, NKJV)

“But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him.” (1 Corinthians 6:17, NKJV)



## 9. God the Father and His Only Begotten Son are Also Physical Beings

ALTHOUGH HIGHLY EXALTED with glory, the Father's and Son's physical appearance is very much like our human body for we are made in God's likeness. In a vision given by God, Ezekiel glimpsed God's physical appearance and on two other occasions, Moses and Daniel were also privileged to glimpse God's physical form.

"Then God said, 'Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.' So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them." (Genesis 1:26-27, NKJV)

"This is the book of the genealogy of Adam. In the day that God created man, He made him in the likeness of God. He created them male and female, and blessed them and called them Mankind in the day they were created." (Genesis 5:1-2, NKJV)

"With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God." (James 3:9, NKJV)

Ezekiel:

"And above the firmament over their heads was the likeness of a throne, in appearance like a sapphire stone; on the likeness of the throne was a likeness with the appearance of a man high above it. Also from the appearance of His waist and upward I saw, as it were, the color of amber with the appearance of fire all around within it; and from the appearance of His waist and downward I saw, as it were, the appearance of fire with brightness all around. Like the appearance of a rainbow in a cloud on a rainy day, so was the appearance of the brightness all around it. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. So when I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard a voice of One speaking." (Ezekiel 1:26-28, NKJV)

Moses:

"Then He said, 'I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the Lord before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.' But He said, 'You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live.' And the Lord said, 'Here is a place by Me, and you shall stand on the rock. So it shall be, while My glory passes by, that I will put you in the cleft of the rock, and will cover you with My hand while I pass by. Then I will

take away My hand, and you shall see My back; but My face shall not be seen.” (Exodus 33:19-23, NKJV)

Daniel:

“I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment was white as snow, And the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire...” (Daniel 7:9, NKJV)



## 10. The Son of God is Divine

AT CONCEPTION, a child inherits from father and mother the DNA of human life. And so in a far greater measure when begotten by His Father, the Son of God inherited His Father’s DNA of divinity. Being the Son of God in divine life He is the living essence of divinity, the state of being God in union with His Father.

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” (John 1:1, NKJV)

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14, NKJV)

“...who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God...” (Philippians 2:6, NKJV)

“For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell...” (Colossians 1:19, NKJV)

“But to the Son He says: ‘Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.’” (Hebrews 1:8, NKJV)



## 11. First and Foremost God the Father is His Son’s God

BECAUSE THE FATHER is the one true God, first and foremost in all aspects of divine life, with holy humility the Son gives preference and honour to His Father’s divinity.



The divine bond of love between God the Father and His only begotten Son transcends all other relationships and settles like spiritual dew upon all universal life.

“You have heard Me say to you, ‘I am going away and coming back to you.’ If you loved Me, you would rejoice because I said, ‘I am going to the Father,’ for My Father is greater than I.” (John 14:28, NKJV)

“You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.” (Hebrews 1:9, NKJV)

“And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, ‘Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?’ that is, ‘My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?’” (Matthew 27:46, NKJV)

“Jesus said to her, ‘Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, “I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.”’” (John 20:17, NKJV)

“He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name.” (Revelation 3:12, NKJV)

“...and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.” (Revelation 1:6, NKJV)

“Now when all things are made subject to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all.” (1 Corinthians 15:28, NKJV)

“But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God.” (1 Corinthians 11:3, NKJV)

“...that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.” (Romans 15:6, NKJV)

“The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying.” (2 Corinthians 11:31, NKJV)

“We give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you...” (Colossians 1:3, NKJV)



## 12. Father's and Son's Divinity make up the Ruling Godhead of the Universe

FROM HEAVEN THE Father and Son govern the universe, and through their divine relationship they co-share the one throne of rulership.

“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,” (Romans 1:20, NKJV)

“Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ. For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.” (Colossians 2:8-10, NKJV)

“Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, The power and the glory, The victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, And You are exalted as head over all.” (1 Chronicles 29:11, NKJV)

“To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.” (Revelation 3:21, NKJV)

“The Lord has established His throne in heaven,  
And His kingdom rules over all.” (Psalm 103:19, NKJV)



## 13. Creation of the Universe

FROM THE BEGINNING of the Father's and Son's relationship, the generations of time commence. By the Father's decree His only begotten Son inherits the exalted role of co-creator, and through Their divine relationship Their creation of the universe begins.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,” says the Lord, ‘who is

and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.” (Revelation 1:8, NKJV)

“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last.” (Revelation 22:13, NKJV)

“...and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ...” (Ephesians 3:9, NKJV)

“He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.” (Colossians 1:13-17, NKJV)

“For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.” (Romans 11:36, NKJV)

“All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.” (John 1:3, NKJV)

“These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God...” (Revelation 3:14, NKJV)

“For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.” (Psalm 33:9, NKJV)

“By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, And all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.” (Psalm 33:6, NKJV)

“By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.” (Hebrews 11:3, NKJV)

“He shakes the earth out of its place, And its pillars tremble; He commands the sun, and it does not rise; He seals off the stars; He alone spreads out the heavens, And treads on the waves of the sea; He made the Bear, Orion, and the Pleiades, And the chambers of the south; He does great things past finding out, Yes, wonders without number. If He goes by me, I do not see Him; If He moves past, I do not perceive Him; If He takes away, who can hinder Him? Who can say to Him, ‘What are You doing?’” (Job 9:6-12, NKJV)

“‘To whom then will you liken Me, Or to whom shall I be equal?’ says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high, And see who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number; He calls them all by name, By the greatness of His might And the

strength of His power; Not one is missing.” (Isaiah 40:25-26, NKJV)

“By His Spirit He adorned the heavens...” (Job 26:13, NKJV)

“You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; And You renew the face of the earth.” (Psalm 104:30, NKJV)

“Who has performed and done it, Calling the generations from the beginning? ‘I, the Lord, am the first; And with the last I am He.’” (Isaiah 41:4, NKJV)

“Come near to Me, hear this: I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; From the time that it was, I was there. And now the Lord God and His Spirit Have sent Me.” (Isaiah 48:16, NKJV)

“God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,” (Hebrews 1:1-3, NKJV)

“You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created.” (Revelation 4:11, NKJV)

“Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all you stars of light! Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, And you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the Lord, For He commanded and they were created.” (Psalm 148:1-5, NKJV)



## 14. God’s Home is the Highest Heaven

**THE HEAVEN OF HEAVENS:** With creative power flowing through His Son, God the Father and His only begotten Son create their heavenly kingdom, a Place they call heaven. Heaven is the Father’s and Son’s residential home, and located in heaven is their Holy temple, and throne of government.

“You alone are the Lord; You have made heaven, The heaven of heavens, with all their host, The earth and everything on it, The seas and all that is in them, And You preserve them all. The host of heaven worships You.” (Nehemiah 9:6, NKJV)

“...then hear from heaven Your dwelling place, and forgive, and give to everyone

according to all his ways, whose heart You know (for You alone know the hearts of the sons of men)..." (2 Chronicles 6:30, NKJV)

"Indeed heaven and the highest heavens belong to the Lord your God, also the earth with all that is in it." (Deuteronomy 10:14, NKJV)

"I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter." (2 Corinthians 12:2-4, NKJV)

"But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels..." (Hebrews 12:22, NKJV)

"In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you." (John 14:2, NKJV)

"Look down from heaven, And see from Your habitation, holy and glorious. Where are Your zeal and Your strength, The yearning of Your heart and Your mercies toward me? Are they restrained?" (Isaiah 63:15, NKJV)

"Blessed is the man You choose, And cause to approach You, That he may dwell in Your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of Your house, Of Your holy temple." (Psalm 65:4, NKJV)

"A glorious high throne from the beginning Is the place of our sanctuary." (Jeremiah 17:12, NKJV)

"The Lord is in His holy temple, The Lord's throne is in heaven; His eyes behold, His eyelids test the sons of men." (Psalm 11:4, NKJV)

"In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple." (Isaiah 6:1, NKJV)

"Then the seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, 'It is done!'" (Revelation 16:17, NKJV)

"The Lord has established His throne in heaven, And His kingdom rules over all." (Psalm 103:19, NKJV)

"But cursed be the deceiver Who has in his flock a male, And takes a vow, But sacrifices to the Lord what is blemished— For I am a great King,' Says the Lord of hosts, 'And My name is to be feared among the nations.'" (Malachi 1:14, NKJV)



## 15. Heavenly Angels serve in God's Universal Government

THROUGH HIS SPIRIT POWER, the Son of God created a host of heavenly angels to serve in God's universal government. On wings of flight, angels fly through corridors of distant galaxies to minister to created beings populating unfallen worlds in God's expanded universe. But more important to you and I, on fallen earth heavenly angels minister to us and amazingly we each have a guardian angel at our side to protect us in time of need.

"Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands..." (Revelation 5:11, NKJV)

"You alone are the Lord; You have made heaven, The heaven of heavens, with all their host, The earth and everything on it, The seas and all that is in them, And You preserve them all. The host of heaven worships You." (Nehemiah 9:6, NKJV)

"Bless the Lord, you His angels, Who excel in strength, who do His word, Heeding the voice of His word. Bless the Lord, all you His hosts, You ministers of His, who do His pleasure. Bless the Lord, all His works, In all places of His dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul!" (Psalm 103:20-22, NKJV)

"Who makes His angels spirits, His ministers a flame of fire." (Psalm 104:4, NKJV)

"Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?" (Hebrews 1:14, NKJV)

"Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels." (Hebrews 13:2, NKJV)

"Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder was set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it." (Genesis 28:12, NKJV)

"Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 18:10, NKJV)

"Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents." (Luke 15:10, NKJV)

"...and said to Him, 'If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written:

“He shall give His angels charge over you,” and, In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.” (Matthew 4:6, NKJV)

“Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.” (Matthew 4:11, NKJV)

“And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.” (Matthew 24:31, NKJV)

“Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts!” (Psalm 148:2, NKJV)



## 16. The Universe Governed by Codes of Law

LAW PROCEEDS FROM GOD, and God pivots His entire creation upon the axis of law – involving laws of ecology, physics, nature, health, spiritual, and moral laws, civic laws and many other laws which weave through the fabric of life.

God’s laws bring order and stability, they promote life and are guardians of life. Without the guidance of law, created life would fall apart and disintegrate. God’s laws operate at all levels of life from the loftiest planet to the smallest insect: Planets orbit flight paths set by the law of God’s mouth; The tiny ant lives by the law of instinctive survival implanted by God.

And we humans live by inherent laws, imparted from God: Laws that govern our brain and regulate our internal organs with rhythmic life, physically and spiritually.

God’s law proceeds from His divine being, for His commandments of life are spirit and truth, the living essence of His righteous character. And as we perceive the holy attributes of God’s law written in the Bible we see a reflection of His universal law operating in the lives of created beings and other life forms inhabiting distant worlds. Undoubtedly these other life forms retain their gift of eternal life by their obedience to God’s law of life just as it was for the first humans on Planet Earth.

“I have seen the consummation of all perfection, But Your commandment is exceedingly broad.” (Psalm 119:96, NKJV)

“Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; You established the earth, and it abides. They continue this day according to Your ordinances, For all are Your servants.” (Psalm 119:89-91, NKJV)

“Listen to Me, O Jacob, And Israel, My called: I am He, I am the First, I am also the Last. Indeed My hand has laid the foundation of the earth, And My right hand has stretched out the heavens; When I call to them, They stand up together.” (Isaiah 48:12-13, NKJV)

“Go to the ant, you sluggard! Consider her ways and be wise, Which, having no captain, Overseer or ruler, Provides her supplies in the summer, And gathers her food in the harvest.” (Proverbs 6:6-8, NKJV)

“The law of Your mouth is better to me Than thousands of coins of gold and silver.” (Psalm 119:72, NKJV)

“The Lord is well pleased for His righteousness’ sake; He will exalt the law and make it honorable.” (Isaiah 42:21, NKJV)

“For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.” (Romans 8:2, NKJV)

“I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.” (Psalm 139:14, NKJV)

“She opens her mouth with wisdom, And on her tongue is the law of kindness.” (Proverbs 31:26, NKJV)

“But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.” (Jeremiah 31:33, NKJV)

“(For the Lord is our Judge, The Lord is our Lawgiver, The Lord is our King; He will save us)...” (Isaiah 33:22, NKJV)

“There is one Lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. Who are you to judge another?” (James 4:12, NKJV)

“Listen to Me, My people; And give ear to Me, O My nation: For law will proceed from Me, And I will make My justice rest As a light of the peoples.” (Isaiah 51:4, NKJV)

“Concerning Your testimonies, I have known of old that You have founded them forever.” (Psalm 119:152, NKJV)

“Or do you not know, brethren (for I speak to those who know the law), that the law has dominion over a man as long as he lives?” (Romans 7:1, NKJV)

“For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am carnal, sold under sin.” (Romans 7:14, NKJV)

“The righteousness of Your testimonies is everlasting; Give me understanding, and I shall live.” (Psalm 119:144, NKJV)



“My tongue shall speak of Your word, For all Your commandments are righteousness.” (Psalm 119:172, NKJV)

“Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, And Your law is truth.” (Psalm 119:142, NKJV)

“Then one of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, and saying, ‘Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?’ Jesus said to him, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.’” (Matthew 22:35-40, NKJV)

“My son, keep my words, And treasure my commands within you. Keep my commands and live, And my law as the apple of your eye. Bind them on your fingers; Write them on the tablet of your heart.” (Proverbs 7:1-3, NKJV)

“If you love Me, keep My commandments.” (John 14:15, NKJV)

“He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.” (John 14:21, NKJV)

“Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.” (Romans 13:10, NKJV)

“For the commandment is a lamp, And the law a light; Reproofs of instruction are the way of life...” (Proverbs 6:23, NKJV)

“I will never forget Your precepts, For by them You have given me life.” (Psalm 119:93, NKJV)

“Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.” (Revelation 14:12, NKJV)

“Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.” (Revelation 22:14, NKJV)



## 17. Lucifer the Leading Angel

IN THE BEGINNING of heavenly life, set above the angels as leader of the heavenly host, was a very special angel called Lucifer, son of the morning. Handsome in appearance, possessing a profound intellectual mind, Lucifer was gifted in composing sacred music, accompanied by his extraordinary voice reverberating with spiritual charisma. But above all within the universal government Lucifer is granted great honour, serving in the very presence of God. Highly esteemed, Lucifer is placed next in authority to God's only begotten Son.

And so time flows by and following a protocol of heavenly order the Son of God continues to create while the universe expands with new galaxies, filled with planet worlds. Inhabiting these worlds are races of created beings holy in thought and character, like their creator God. The universe pulsates with love, peace and happiness. Until one dark day, right in the midst of heaven's paradise, sin enters the universe.

Lucifer becomes dissatisfied with his exalted life. He fantasises that he too should have the right to enter into the private council of God the Father and His only begotten Son. But of course Satan's unholy desire could never be realised. For the Father and Son are the divine creators, Lucifer is merely a created being of lower life.

Yet more and more this unchangeable truth becomes a festering thorn in Lucifer's life, until envy and jealousy floods his thoughts and alas in his mind Lucifer exalts himself over and above God. Very soon self inflated pride leads Lucifer down his path of darkness. Rebellion against God takes root in his life and breaking God's universal law sin enters the universe.

Seething with malicious hatred, Lucifer secretly conspires with the host of heaven. Indoctrinating them with deceptive lies, he turns one third of the angels away from God's truth. Eventually Lucifer and his army of darkness make an all out attack on God's ruling government and war breaks out in heaven. Defending God's heavenly kingdom, the Son of God and His faithful army of light cast the rebels out of heaven.

Lucifer becomes Satan and the devil while the fallen angels mutate into demonic spirits. Tracking the universe for a place of strategic abode to continue his war against God, Satan makes a successful attempt to overcome the newly created earthlings, by tempting them to eat of the forbidden fruit growing on the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

And so eating the forbidden fruit, Adam and Eve break God's commandment of life

and with their sin of disobedience death enters Planet Earth.

And with death enters the dark force spreading evil over the perfect world. But when evil has fully run its deathly course and a line of distinction has been drawn in the universe between God's character of good and Satan's character of evil then in justice and judgement God will destroy the dark force into ashes of everlasting death.

With the goodness of God's character forever vindicated throughout the universe, evil shall not rise a second time, ever. Now the eternal universe is free of sin and safe from evil forever more.

Now we shall piece together the scriptures that reveal Lucifer's gifted life, his fall to sin and his final outcome.

"You were the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The sardius, topaz, and diamond, Beryl, onyx, and jasper, Sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes Was prepared for you on the day you were created. You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you. By the abundance of your trading You became filled with violence within, And you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the fiery stones. Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor; I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, That they might gaze at you." (Ezekiel 28:12-17, NKJV)

"The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, But war was in his heart; His words were softer than oil, Yet they were drawn swords." (Psalm 55:21, NKJV)

"You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it." (John 8:44, NKJV)

"And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." (Revelation 12:7-9, NKJV)

"How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: "I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above

the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.” Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the lowest depths of the Pit.” (Isaiah 14:12-15, NKJV)

“Hell from beneath is excited about you, To meet you at your coming; It stirs up the dead for you, All the chief ones of the earth; It has raised up from their thrones All the kings of the nations. They all shall speak and say to you: “Have you also become as weak as we? Have you become like us? Your pomp is brought down to Sheol, And the sound of your stringed instruments; The maggot is spread under you, And worms cover you.”” (Isaiah 14:9-11, NKJV)

“”You defiled your sanctuaries By the multitude of your iniquities, By the iniquity of your trading; Therefore I brought fire from your midst; It devoured you, And I turned you to ashes upon the earth In the sight of all who saw you. All who knew you among the peoples are astonished at you; You have become a horror, And shall be no more forever.” ’ ’ (Ezekiel 28:18-19, NKJV)

“And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day.” (Jude 6, NKJV)

“O Lord, how great are Your works! Your thoughts are very deep. A senseless man does not know, Nor does a fool understand this. When the wicked spring up like grass, And when all the workers of iniquity flourish, It is that they may be destroyed forever. But You, Lord, are on high forevermore. For behold, Your enemies, O Lord, For behold, Your enemies shall perish; All the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.” (Psalm 92:5-9, NKJV)

“Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.” (Revelation 20:1-3, NKJV)

“Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, whose number is as the sand of the sea. They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.” (Revelation 20:7-10, NKJV)

“What do you conspire against the Lord? He will make an utter end of it. Affliction will not rise up a second time.” (Nahum 1:9, NKJV)

“Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.” (Revelation 14:12, NKJV)

“Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.” (Revelation 22:14-15, NKJV) .

“The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.” (1 Corinthians 15:26, NKJV)



## 18. Sin is Breaking God's Law of Life

SIN IS A SMALL WORD yet harbours dire consequences. Sin is rebelling against God's law which promotes life. Having an opposite nature to good, the lethal nature of sin produces eternal death in the law breaker's life. Lucifer's fallen life gave birth to sin, and sin mutated in his life changing his nature and spirit into a dark force of destruction and death. As much as God the Father is a force of good and holy life, Satan the father of sin, is a force of evil and unholy life manifesting the attributes of his demonic spirit and nature of death.

“Open my eyes, that I may see Wondrous things from Your law.” (Psalm 119:18, NKJV)

“He who keeps the commandment keeps his soul, But he who is careless of his ways will die.” (Proverbs 19:16, NKJV)

“The wicked man does deceptive work, But he who sows righteousness will have a sure reward. As righteousness leads to life, So he who pursues evil pursues it to his own death.” (Proverbs 11:18-19, NKJV)

“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil...” (Deuteronomy 30:15, NKJV)

“Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.” (1 John 3:4, NKJV)

“Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.” (Romans 3:20, NKJV)

“Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression

of the law.” (1 John 3:4, KJV)

“What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, ‘You shall not covet.’” (Romans 7:7, NKJV)

“...where there is no law there is no transgression.” (Romans 4:15, NKJV)

The above text “...where there is no law there is no transgression...” proves beyond doubt that God’s law of life has been operating since His creation of the universe. The scriptures state that Lucifer and rebelling angels sinned against God, therefore there had to be a law in existence to break. Quite clearly if there was no law in existence then Lucifer’s rebellion could not have been counted as sin.

“You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.” (John 8:44, NKJV)

“He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.” (1 John 3:8, NKJV)

“Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.” (1 John 3:4, KJV)

“By the abundance of your trading You became filled with violence within, And you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the fiery stones.” (Ezekiel 28:16, NKJV)



## **19. The Universal Law Written into the Ten Commandments**

BY BREAKING THE UNIVERSAL LAW, Lucifer broke the full spectrum of God’s Ten Commandments given to humanity upon Mount Sinai. Comparing Lucifer’s rebellion to the Ten Commandments this is what we see in Exodus Chapter 20:

Lucifer exalted himself above God as if he were God.

Commandment 1: “You shall have no other Gods before me.”

Worshipped his own existence in the place of God.

**Commandment 2:** “You shall not make for yourself a carved image – any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth...”

Slandered God’s holy name by bearing false witness before the heavenly angels.

**Commandment 3:** “You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain...”

Invaded God’s inner sanctum of divinity by coveting God’s throne.

**Commandment 10:** “You shall not covet...”

Stole God’s divine status by defrauding God’s holy character through spiritual adultery.

**Commandment 8:** “You shall not steal.”

**Commandment 9:** “You shall not bear false witness (tell lies)...”

Brought death into the universe, casting himself as a murderer of created life.

**Commandment 6:** “You shall not murder.”

The consequences of Lucifer’s lawlessness have continued to mutate and multiply through the ages and regions of Planet Earth.

Yet from the beginning of Planet Earth, the human race understood God’s holy law for living a holy life. Adam and Eve had the right to eat of the tree of life *on the condition* they remained obedient to God’s law. Abraham the genetic father of the Israelite nation kept God’s commandments, hundreds of years before God gave His law from Mount Sinai.

“And out of the ground the Lord God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.” (Genesis 2:9, NKJV)

“Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to tend and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, ‘Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.’” (Genesis 2:15-17, NKJV)

“Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.” (Revelation 22:14, NKJV)

“... Abraham obeyed My voice and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes, and My laws.” (Genesis 26:5, NKJV)

But as the times of Planet Earth evolved with increasing lawlessness, God's law became more and more obscure to the majority of the human race. And so God set in motion a grand proclamation of His Law lasting throughout all time.

Freeing the Israelite nation from Egyptian slavery, God led His people, approximately two to three million people to the base of Mount Sinai. Then God descended upon the mount with fire, and to His people and to the global regions of Planet Earth, God proclaimed His universal law in the words of the Ten Commandments. Also upon the mount, God gave Moses two stone tablets with the Ten Commandments written upon them, inscribed by God's own finger of power and authority. After a tragic betrayal by the people, Moses broke the tablets in anger, but God replaced them.

Following God's commands, the Israelites' made a special wooden chest and overlaid it with gold. Inside the chest Moses placed the two stone tablets of law. A lid called the mercy seat was placed upon the chest, sheltering the Ten Commandments, and upon the top of the lid stood two gold figurine angels. Showing reverence toward God's holy law their faces were turned down facing the law while each angel arched a protective wing over the chest. Now the gold chest with God's law residing inside is called the Ark of the Covenant.

Obedying God's command Moses placed the Ark of the Covenant inside a special tent called a sanctuary or tabernacle, divided into two rooms called the holy place and most holy place. The Ark of the Covenant was placed in the most holy place and above the mercy seat shone God's glorious presence.

Now the Ark of the Covenant is a glorious presentation of spiritual salvation, depicting God's mercy to save fallen humanity from the death penalty of breaking His holy law. God cannot change the righteous commands of His law to cover sin, or condone sin in the guilty to make the law breaker appear to be sinless and accepted before Him. God cannot, does not parley with sin, but through the sinless life of His only begotten Son, who died the death penalty in our sinful place we can receive pardon for our transgression of God's holy law.

It is God's mercy reaching through the sacrificial death of His Son that amends the broken law on our behalf shadowed in the Ark of the Covenant.

Breaking God's law brings death. The law, being honoured and amended in the Son's sinless holy life, brings new life to those who choose to accept God's gift of salvation from sin.

Of course when we are set free from the death penalty of the broken law and living in God's spirit, we want to honour the law and keep the law holy in our lives. Otherwise we revert back to the same old sin problem, carelessly breaking God's law and trapped again in the death penalty. Nothing is solved and nothing is gained.

So thankfully for us, the Ten Commandments of God's law set out a guideline for



life: The first four commandments of God's law set out the requirements for a holy relationship with God; While the remaining six set out the requirements for moral conduct between created beings. Woven through the Ten Commandments is the theme of reciprocal love between all.

“Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled. And Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain. Now Mount Sinai was completely in smoke, because the Lord descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly.” (Exodus 19:16-18, NKJV)

“And God spoke all these words, saying: ‘I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

#### **Commandment 1**

“You shall have no other gods before Me.”

#### **Commandment 2**

“You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.”

#### **Commandment 3**

“You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.”

#### **Commandment 4**

“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.”

### **Commandment 5**

“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the Lord your God is giving you.”

### **Commandment 6**

“You shall not murder.”

### **Commandment 7**

“You shall not commit adultery.”

### **Commandment 8**

“You shall not steal.”

### **Commandment 9**

“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”

### **Commandment 10**

“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor’s.” (Exodus 20:1-17, NKJV)

“And he said: ‘The Lord came from Sinai, And dawned on them from Seir; He shone forth from Mount Paran, And He came with ten thousands of saints; From His right hand Came a fiery law for them. Yes, He loves the people; All His saints are in Your hand; They sit down at Your feet; Everyone receives Your words.’” (Deuteronomy 33:2-3, NKJV)

“And when He had made an end of speaking with him on Mount Sinai, He gave Moses two tablets of the Testimony, tablets of stone, written with the finger of God.” (Exodus 31:18, NKJV)

“And let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them. According to all that I show you, that is, the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furnishings, just so you shall make it. And they shall make an ark of acacia wood; two

and a half cubits shall be its length, a cubit and a half its width, and a cubit and a half its height. And you shall overlay it with pure gold, inside and out you shall overlay it, and shall make on it a molding of gold all around. You shall cast four rings of gold for it, and put them in its four corners; two rings shall be on one side, and two rings on the other side. And you shall make poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold. You shall put the poles into the rings on the sides of the ark, that the ark may be carried by them. The poles shall be in the rings of the ark; they shall not be taken from it. And you shall put into the ark the Testimony which I will give you.

“You shall make a mercy seat of pure gold; two and a half cubits shall be its length and a cubit and a half its width. And you shall make two cherubim of gold; of hammered work you shall make them at the two ends of the mercy seat. Make one cherub at one end, and the other cherub at the other end; you shall make the cherubim at the two ends of it of one piece with the mercy seat. And the cherubim shall stretch out their wings above, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and they shall face one another; the faces of the cherubim shall be toward the mercy seat. You shall put the mercy seat on top of the ark, and in the ark you shall put the Testimony that I will give you. And there I will meet with you, and I will speak with you from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim which are on the ark of the Testimony, about everything which I will give you in commandment to the children of Israel.” (Exodus 25:8-22, NKJV)

“You are near, O Lord, And all Your commandments are truth. Concerning Your testimonies, I have known of old that You have founded them forever.” (Psalm 119:151-152, NKJV)

“There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.” (Romans 8:1-4, NKJV)

“My son, do not forget my law, But let your heart keep my commands; For length of days and long life And peace they will add to you.” (Proverbs 3:1-2, NKJV)

“Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.” (Revelation 22:14, NKJV)

“Open my eyes, that I may see Wondrous things from Your law.” (Psalm 119:18, NKJV)



## 20. Breaking God's Law Produces Death

GOD DID NOT INVENT DEATH to punish the law breaker, but death is a natural consequence of breaking the commandments of life.

Yet we have hope. By accepting God's salvation from sin, receiving His pardon for breaking His law of life, we can escape the death penalty of everlasting death.

"The wicked man does deceptive work, But he who sows righteousness will have a sure reward. As righteousness leads to life, So he who pursues evil pursues it to his own death." (Proverbs 11:18-19, NKJV)

"He who keeps the commandment keeps his soul, But he who is careless of his ways will die." (Proverbs 19:16, NKJV)

"The law of the wise is a fountain of life, To turn one away from the snares of death." (Proverbs 13:14, NKJV)

"Behold, all souls are Mine; The soul of the father As well as the soul of the son is Mine; The soul who sins shall die." (Ezekiel 18:4, NKJV)

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23, NKJV)

"For behold, the day is coming, Burning like an oven, And all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble. And the day which is coming shall burn them up,' Says the Lord of hosts, 'That will leave them neither root nor branch. But to you who fear My name The Sun of Righteousness shall arise With healing in His wings; And you shall go out And grow fat like stall-fed calves. You shall trample the wicked, For they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet On the day that I do this,' Says the Lord of hosts. 'Remember the Law of Moses, My servant, Which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel, With the statutes and judgments.'" (Malachi 4:1-4, NKJV)



## 21. Creation of Planet Earth

AND SO WITH THE EXISTENCE of evil, a new era begins in the life and times of the universe. God the Father and His beloved Son put plans in place to create another planet world filled with varied life. Evil has no strangle hold upon God's creative powers. The universal plan for life cannot and will not be defeated by the dark force of evil. If God cannot give of himself by creating new life then for Him life will cease to have meaning. And so once again the Son of God becomes Co-Creator with His Father.

“God has spoken once, Twice I have heard this: That power belongs to God.” (Psalm 62:11, NKJV)

“Behold, God is exalted by His power; Who teaches like Him? Who has assigned Him His way, Or who has said, ‘You have done wrong?’” (Job 36:22-23, NKJV)

“Dominion and fear belong to Him; He makes peace in His high places.” (Job 25:2, NKJV)

“Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, And He who formed you from the womb: ‘I am the Lord, who makes all things, Who stretches out the heavens all alone, Who spreads abroad the earth by Myself..’” (Isaiah 44:24, NKJV)

“He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.” (Colossians 1:13-17, NKJV)

“For thus says the Lord, Who created the heavens, Who is God, Who formed the earth and made it, Who has established it, Who did not create it in vain, Who formed it to be inhabited: ‘I am the Lord, and there is no other.’” (Isaiah 45:18, NKJV)

“He has made the earth by His power; He has established the world by His wisdom, And stretched out the heaven by His understanding.” (Jeremiah 51:15, NKJV)

“Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements? Surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? To what were its foundations fastened? Or who laid its cornerstone, When the morning stars sang together, And all the sons of God shouted

for joy?” (Job 38:4-7, NKJV)

“For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.” (Psalm 33:9, NKJV)

“You who laid the foundations of the earth, So that it should not be moved forever..” (Psalm 104:5, NKJV)

“He stretches out the north over empty space; He hangs the earth on nothing.” (Job 26:7, NKJV)

“You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; And You renew the face of the earth.” (Psalm 104:30, NKJV)

“I beheld the earth, and indeed it was without form, and void; And the heavens, they had no light.” (Jeremiah 4:23, NKJV)

### **Day 1:**

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.” (Genesis 1:1-5, NKJV)

“Man goes out to his work And to his labor until the evening.” (Psalm 104:23, NKJV)

### **Day 2:**

“Then God said, “Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.” Thus God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so. And God called the firmament Heaven. So the evening and the morning were the second day.” (Genesis 1:6-8, NKJV)

“When He utters His voice— There is a multitude of waters in the heavens: ‘He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightnings for the rain; He brings the wind out of His treasuries.’” (Jeremiah 51:16, NKJV)

“He drew a circular horizon on the face of the waters, At the boundary of light and darkness.” (Job 26:10, NKJV)

### **Day 3:**

“Then God said, ‘Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear’; and it was so. And God called the dry land Earth,

and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth'; and it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. So the evening and the morning were the third day." (Genesis 1:9-13, NKJV)

"You who laid the foundations of the earth, So that it should not be moved forever, You covered it with the deep as with a garment; The waters stood above the mountains. At Your rebuke they fled; At the voice of Your thunder they hastened away. They went up over the mountains; They went down into the valleys, To the place which You founded for them. You have set a boundary that they may not pass over, That they may not return to cover the earth." (Psalm 104:5-9, NKJV)

"Or who shut in the sea with doors, When it burst forth and issued from the womb; When I made the clouds its garment, And thick darkness its swaddling band; When I fixed My limit for it, And set bars and doors; When I said, 'This far you may come, but no farther, And here your proud waves must stop!'" (Job 38:8-11, NKJV)

"Do you not fear Me?' says the Lord. 'Will you not tremble at My presence, Who have placed the sand as the bound of the sea, By a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass beyond it? And though its waves toss to and fro, Yet they cannot prevail; Though they roar, yet they cannot pass over it.'" (Jeremiah 5:22, NKJV)

"For the Lord is the great God, And the great King above all gods. In His hand are the deep places of the earth; The heights of the hills are His also. The sea is His, for He made it; And His hands formed the dry land." (Psalm 95:3-5, NKJV)

"And God said, 'See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food. Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food'; and it was so." (Genesis 1:29-30, NKJV)

"Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; Sing praises on the harp to our God, Who covers the heavens with clouds, Who prepares rain for the earth, Who makes grass to grow on the mountains." (Psalm 147:7-8, NKJV)

"He causes the grass to grow for the cattle, And vegetation for the service of man, That he may bring forth food from the earth, And wine that makes glad the heart of man, Oil to make his face shine, And bread which strengthens man's heart. The trees of the Lord are full of sap, The cedars of Lebanon which He planted, Where the birds make their nests; The stork has her home in the fir trees." (Psalm 104:14-17, NKJV)

#### **Day 4:**

“Then God said, ‘Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth;’ and it was so. Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also. God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. So the evening and the morning were the fourth day.” (Genesis 1:14-19, NKJV)

“Indeed My hand has laid the foundation of the earth, And My right hand has stretched out the heavens; When I call to them, They stand up together.” (Isaiah 48:13, NKJV)

“To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork.” (Psalm 19:1, NKJV)

“He appointed the moon for seasons; The sun knows its going down. You make darkness, and it is night, In which all the beasts of the forest creep about.” (Psalm 104:19-20, NKJV)

“He commands the sun, and it does not rise; He seals off the stars;” (Job 9:7, NKJV)

“‘To whom then will you liken Me, Or to whom shall I be equal?’ says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high, And see who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number; He calls them all by name, By the greatness of His might And the strength of His power; Not one is missing.” (Isaiah 40:25-26, NKJV)

“A Psalm of Asaph. The Mighty One, God the Lord, Has spoken and called the earth From the rising of the sun to its going down.” (Psalm 50:1, NKJV)

“Oh, give thanks to the Lord of lords! For His mercy endures forever: To Him who alone does great wonders, For His mercy endures forever; To Him who by wisdom made the heavens, For His mercy endures forever; To Him who laid out the earth above the waters, For His mercy endures forever; To Him who made great lights, For His mercy endures forever— The sun to rule by day, For His mercy endures forever; The moon and stars to rule by night, For His mercy endures forever.” (Psalm 136:3-9, NKJV)

“Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; You established the earth, and it abides. They continue this day according to Your ordinances, For all are Your servants.” (Psalm 119:89-91, NKJV)

#### **Day 5:**

“Then God said, ‘Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and



let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens.' So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' So the evening and the morning were the fifth day." (Genesis 1:20-23, NKJV)

"Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air..." (Genesis 2:19, NKJV)

"O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions— This great and wide sea, In which are innumerable teeming things, Living things both small and great. There the ships sail about; There is that Leviathan Which You have made to play there." (Psalm 104:24-26, NKJV)

### **Day 6:**

"Then God said, 'Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind'; and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good." (Genesis 1:24-25, NKJV)

"Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field..." (Genesis 2:19, NKJV)

"For every beast of the forest is Mine, And the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the mountains, And the wild beasts of the field are Mine." (Psalm 50:10-11, NKJV)

"He sends the springs into the valleys; They flow among the hills. They give drink to every beast of the field; The wild donkeys quench their thirst. By them the birds of the heavens have their home; They sing among the branches. He waters the hills from His upper chambers; The earth is satisfied with the fruit of Your works. He causes the grass to grow for the cattle, And vegetation for the service of man, That he may bring forth food from the earth, And wine that makes glad the heart of man, Oil to make his face shine, And bread which strengthens man's heart. The trees of the Lord are full of sap, The cedars of Lebanon which He planted, Where the birds make their nests; The stork has her home in the fir trees. The high hills are for the wild goats; The cliffs are a refuge for the rock badgers." (Psalm 104:10-18, NKJV)

"These all wait for You, That You may give them their food in due season. What You give them they gather in; You open Your hand, they are filled with good. You hide Your face, they are troubled; You take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; And You renew the face of the earth." (Psalm 104:27-30, NKJV)

““Look now at the behemoth, which I made along with you; He eats grass like an ox. See now, his strength is in his hips, And his power is in his stomach muscles. He moves his tail like a cedar; The sinews of his thighs are tightly knit. His bones are like beams of bronze, His ribs like bars of iron. He is the first of the ways of God; Only He who made him can bring near His sword. Surely the mountains yield food for him, And all the beasts of the field play there. He lies under the lotus trees, In a covert of reeds and marsh. The lotus trees cover him with their shade; The willows by the brook surround him. Indeed the river may rage, Yet he is not disturbed; He is confident, though the Jordan gushes into his mouth, Though he takes it in his eyes, Or one pierces his nose with a snare.” (Job 40:15-24, NKJV)

“The works of the Lord are great, Studied by all who have pleasure in them. His work is honorable and glorious, And His righteousness endures forever. He has made His wonderful works to be remembered; The Lord is gracious and full of compassion.” (Psalm 111:2-4, NKJV)

““But now ask the beasts, and they will teach you; And the birds of the air, and they will tell you; Or speak to the earth, and it will teach you; And the fish of the sea will explain to you. Who among all these does not know That the hand of the Lord has done this, In whose hand is the life of every living thing, And the breath of all mankind?” (Job 12:7-10, NKJV)

“A Psalm of David. The earth is the Lord’s, and all its fullness, The world and those who dwell therein. For He has founded it upon the seas, And established it upon the waters.” (Psalm 24:1-2, NKJV)

“Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; You established the earth, and it abides. They continue this day according to Your ordinances, For all are Your servants.” (Psalm 119:89-91, NKJV)



## 22. God Creates Human Life

BEFORE THE SIXTH DAY draws to a close, God unfolds to the new world a masterpiece of His creative power and a living example of His love. For God intends to mirror his own existence in human life.

From the beginning of earth’s conception, mankind was alive in God’s thoughts. For Planet Earth is not only for God’s satisfaction and delight alone, but an intentional gift for a race of beings very much like Himself.

Father and Son have provided a world of untold pleasure for the earthlings, and in return through reciprocal love the earthlings shall love and serve Him as their Creator God and King over their lives. In a most humble and extraordinary way, God gifts His resemblance to mankind through the common dust of the ground. And upon their creation, Adam and Eve the first earthlings receive the personal touch of their Creator rippling through our own being today.

“May you be blessed by the Lord, Who made heaven and earth. The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord’s; But the earth He has given to the children of men.” (Psalm 115:15-16, NKJV)

“You have made him a little lower than the angels; You have crowned him with glory and honor, And set him over the works of Your hands.” (Hebrews 2:7, NKJV)

“I have made the earth, And created man on it. I—My hands—stretched out the heavens, And all their host I have commanded.” (Isaiah 45:12, NKJV)

“Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.’” (Genesis 1:26, NKJV)

“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.” (Genesis 2:7, NKJV)

“As a father pities his children, So the Lord pities those who fear Him. For He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust.” (Psalm 103:13-14, NKJV)

“Thus says the Lord God to these bones: “Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live. I will put sinews on you and bring flesh upon you, cover you with skin and put breath in you; and you shall live. Then you shall know that I am the Lord.” ’ ” (Ezekiel 37:5-6, NKJV)

“Your hands have made me and fashioned me, An intricate unity...” (Job 10:8, NKJV)

“I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.” (Psalm 139:14, NKJV)

“And the Lord God said, ‘It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him.’ Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name. So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him. And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made

into a woman, and He brought her to the man. And Adam said: ‘This is now bone of my bones And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man.’ Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.” (Genesis 2:18-25, NKJV)

“Let the husband render to his wife the affection due her, and likewise also the wife to her husband.” (1 Corinthians 7:3, NKJV)

“And Adam called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.” (Genesis 3:20, NKJV)

“And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings...” (Acts 17:26, NKJV)

“This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him; Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.” (Genesis 5:1-2, KJV)

“And Adam called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.” (Genesis 3:20, NKJV)



## 23. The Human Being

WHEN THE SON OF GOD breathed air into the nostrils of Adam’s lifeless body, God’s spirit of life gave birth to the human spirit and gave spiritual breath to the human mind. In turn the spirit of the mind gives birth to a person’s soul, the living essence of each person, in intellect, personality, character and spirituality.

As long as the breath of life circulates through a person’s body and energises the mind with the spirit of life – then that person is a living soul belonging to God. And so when the Son of God created the first man in a wonderful way both were joined together in spiritual life.

“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.” (Genesis 2:7, NKJV)

“The burden of the word of the Lord against Israel. Thus says the Lord, who stretches out the heavens, lays the foundation of the earth, and forms the spirit of man within him...” (Zechariah 12:1, NKJV)

“I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken it and performed it,” says the Lord.” (Ezekiel 37:14, NKJV)

“Thus says God the Lord, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it, And spirit to those who walk on it...” (Isaiah 42:5, NKJV)

“The Spirit of God has made me, And the breath of the Almighty gives me life.” (Job 33:4, NKJV)

“All in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life...” (Genesis 7:22, NKJV)

“As long as my breath is in me, And the breath of God in my nostrils...” (Job 27:3, NKJV)

“In whose hand is the life of every living thing, And the breath of all mankind?” (Job 12:10, NKJV)

“If He should set His heart on it, If He should gather to Himself His Spirit and His breath, All flesh would perish together, And man would return to dust.” (Job 34:14-15, NKJV)

“...for in Him we live and move and have our being, as also some of your own poets have said, ‘For we are also His offspring.’” (Acts 17:28, NKJV)

“But there is a spirit in man, And the breath of the Almighty gives him understanding.” (Job 32:8, NKJV)

“I have heard the rebuke that reproaches me, And the spirit of my understanding causes me to answer.” (Job 20:3, NKJV)

“...and be renewed in the spirit of your mind...” (Ephesians 4:23, NKJV)

“And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.” (Genesis 2:7, KJV)

“Behold, all souls are Mine; The soul of the father As well as the soul of the son is Mine...” (Ezekiel 18:4, NKJV)

“God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” (John 4:24, NKJV)

“But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him.” (1 Corinthians 6:17, NKJV)

“The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God...” (Romans 8:16, NKJV)

“Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?” (1 Corinthians 3:16, NKJV)

“And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: ‘I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people.’” (2 Corinthians 6:16, NKJV)



## 24. God's Seventh Day Sabbath Rest Given at Creation

GOD CREATED PLANET EARTH and all earthly life in six 24 hour days and then He rested the seventh day, unfolding a perfect end to His creation week. Of course God did not rest from exhaustion, but by resting in His holiness God sanctified the seventh day as His special sacred day for worship. Seven is God's special number for perfection and completion.

“Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the Lord, The Creator of the ends of the earth, Neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable.” (Isaiah 40:28, NKJV)

“Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.” (Genesis 2:1-3, NKJV)

And man has named the seventh day ‘Saturday’. More than one modern dictionary puts it like this: ‘Saturday n. The seventh day of the week.’

Following the daily pattern of God's creation week, the seventh day Sabbath begins at sunset Friday evening and closes at sunset Saturday evening.

“Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.” (Genesis 1:31, NKJV)

“...from evening to evening, you shall celebrate your sabbath.” (Leviticus 23:32, NKJV)

Yet above all, the seventh day Sabbath stands as a sacred memorial to earth's creation: A holy day for rest and sacred worship, remembering and honouring God as our Creator.

“Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people—saying with a loud voice, ‘Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water.’” (Revelation 14:6–7, NKJV)

God calls the seventh day Sabbath, a holy rest. Following God’s example mankind shall work on the six ordinary days of the week- Sunday to Friday - and on the seventh day rest from labour and come apart from the world. Of course we still worship God on the six ordinary days - Sunday to Friday - but Saturday the seventh day Sabbath is an extra special time to meet with God and become rejuvenated in His Spirit.

“Work shall be done for six days, but the seventh is the Sabbath of rest, holy to the Lord...” (Exodus 31:15, NKJV)

“Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation. You shall do no work on it; it is the Sabbath of the Lord in all your dwellings.” (Leviticus 23:3, NKJV)

“This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.” (Psalm 118:24, NKJV)

“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.” (Exodus 20:8-11, NKJV)

“Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you.” (Deuteronomy 5:12, NKJV)

“If you love Me, keep My commandments.” (John 14:15, NKJV)

“For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.” (1 John 5:3, NKJV)

And so the Sabbath hours are a gift of love from God, benefiting all. With compassion born of God, caring for human life, creature and animal life on the Sabbath becomes our devoted service honouring our Creator.

“Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life...’” (John 14:6, NKJV)

“For the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.” Now when He had departed from there, He went into their synagogue. And behold, there was a man who had a withered hand. And they asked Him, saying, ‘Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?’—that

they might accuse Him. Then He said to them, 'What man is there among you who has one sheep, and if it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will not lay hold of it and lift it out? Of how much more value then is a man than a sheep? Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath.' Then He said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand.' And he stretched it out, and it was restored as whole as the other." (Matthew 12:8-13, NKJV)

"Six days you shall do your work, and on the seventh day you shall rest, that your ox and your donkey may rest, and the son of your female servant and the stranger may be refreshed." (Exodus 23:12, NKJV)

"Six days you shall work, but on the seventh day you shall rest; in plowing time and in harvest you shall rest." (Exodus 34:21, NKJV)

Keeping holy the seventh day Sabbath, is a sign of our loyalty to God honouring Him as our King and Creator.

"Therefore the children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, to observe the Sabbath throughout their generations as a perpetual covenant. It is a sign between Me and the children of Israel forever; for in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day He rested and was refreshed." (Exodus 31:16-17, NKJV)

"I am the Lord your God: Walk in My statutes, keep My judgments, and do them; hallow My Sabbaths, and they will be a sign between Me and you, that you may know that I am the Lord your God." (Ezekiel 20:19-20, NKJV)

Observing the seventh day Sabbath brings God's blessings of prosperity into our lives.

"If you turn away your foot from the Sabbath, From doing your pleasure on My holy day, And call the Sabbath a delight, The holy day of the Lord honorable, And shall honor Him, not doing your own ways, Nor finding your own pleasure, Nor speaking your own words, Then you shall delight yourself in the Lord; And I will cause you to ride on the high hills of the earth, And feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father. The mouth of the Lord has spoken." (Isaiah 58:13-14, NKJV)

"Remember the Law of Moses, My servant, Which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel, With the statutes and judgments." (Malachi 4:4, NKJV)

Whether we are alone, or gathered in twos or threes, or perhaps meeting with an assembly of hundreds, in His Holy Spirit presence God is in the midst administering a Sabbath blessing to all.

"For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them." (Matthew 18:20, NKJV)

"Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, And His praise in the assembly of saints. Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King."



(Psalm 149:1-2, NKJV)

“I will give You thanks in the great assembly; I will praise You among many people.”  
(Psalm 35:18, NKJV)

“Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand. Today, if you will hear His voice:” (Psalm 95:6-7, NKJV)

“Give to the Lord, O families of the peoples, Give to the Lord glory and strength. Give to the Lord the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come before Him. Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!” (1 Chronicles 16:28-29, NKJV)

God has established the seventh day Sabbath as His sacred place and space of time, never to be moved from its holy foundation. Only God who sanctified the seventh day Sabbath has the authority to move the Sabbath hours to another place, another day, another time. But God declares He does not change. And so ordained by God, the seventh day Sabbath remains before us forever as God’s holy day of rest.

“For I am the Lord, I do not change; Therefore you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob.” (Malachi 3:6, NKJV)

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.” (Hebrews 13:8, NKJV)

“Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it. For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it. For we who have believed do enter that rest, as He has said: ‘So I swore in My wrath, “They shall not enter My rest,”’ although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. For He has spoken in a certain place of the seventh day in this way: ‘And God rested on the seventh day from all His works’; and again in this place: ‘They shall not enter My rest.’ Since therefore it remains that some must enter it, and those to whom it was first preached did not enter because of disobedience, again He designates a certain day, saying in David, ‘Today,’ after such a long time, as it has been said: ‘Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts.’ For if Joshua had given them rest, then He would not afterward have spoken of another day. There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His. Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience.” (Hebrews 4:1-11, NKJV)



## 25. God's Seventh Day Sabbath Kept Throughout Eternity

THE GOLDEN THREAD of the Seventh day Sabbath weaves from creation week through Old Testament times, and onward through New Testament times down to us today. From us, true Sabbath keeping passes through the destruction of Planet Earth at the Son's second coming, and finds rest in the newly created earth, to be kept through ages of eternity.

So now we shall link together texts of scripture that reveal true Sabbath observance: From Adam and Eve to Abraham, father of the Israelite nation, on through the Israelite nation; To New Testament times exalted in the life of Jesus the Son of God; And onward in His disciples and family after Jesus returns to heaven; Moving on through New Testament times the Apostle Paul preaches on the Seventh day Sabbath and John receives the revelation of Jesus Christ on the Lord's day - the Seventh day Sabbath.

Further still John looks into the heavenly temple and sees the Ark of the Covenant containing the Ten Commandments, and in the midst of God's law is the fourth commandment of the Seventh day Sabbath.

For the final link of scripture we return to the book of Isaiah of Old Testament times and there in prophetic words we behold the Seventh day Sabbath forever established in the earth made new.

Upon earth's creation, resting on the seventh day, the Sabbath proceeded from God's divinity, sanctifying twenty four hours of sacred time, signifying His deed of ownership over Planet Earth:

"Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made. This is the history of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens..." (Genesis 2:1-4, NKJV)

Centuries later, obeying God's sacred law Abraham keeps the Seventh day Sabbath, of the fourth commandment:

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. For in six days the

Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.” (Exodus 20:8–11, NKJV)

“And I will make your descendants multiply as the stars of heaven; I will give to your descendants all these lands; and in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed; because Abraham obeyed My voice and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes, and My laws.” (Genesis 26:4-5, NKJV)

Freed from Egyptian slavery the Israelites are taught and commanded by God to keep His Seventh day Sabbath holy before Him:

“Then the Lord said to Moses, ‘Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not. And it shall be on the sixth day that they shall prepare what they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.’” (Exodus 16:4-5, NKJV)

“And so it was, on the sixth day, that they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for each one. And all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses. Then he said to them, ‘This is what the Lord has said: “Tomorrow is a Sabbath rest, a holy Sabbath to the Lord. Bake what you will bake today, and boil what you will boil; and lay up for yourselves all that remains, to be kept until morning.”’ So they laid it up till morning, as Moses commanded; and it did not stink, nor were there any worms in it. Then Moses said, ‘Eat that today, for today is a Sabbath to the Lord; today you will not find it in the field. Six days you shall gather it, but on the seventh day, the Sabbath, there will be none.’ Now it happened that some of the people went out on the seventh day to gather, but they found none. And the Lord said to Moses, ‘How long do you refuse to keep My commandments and My laws? See! For the Lord has given you the Sabbath; therefore He gives you on the sixth day bread for two days. Let every man remain in his place; let no man go out of his place on the seventh day.’ So the people rested on the seventh day.” (Exodus 16:22-30, NKJV)

Referring back to the Ten Commandments spoken by God on Mount Sinai, Moses repeats the command to the Israelite nation, to keep sacred the Seventh day Sabbath:

“Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your ox, nor your donkey, nor any of your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. And remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.” (Deuteronomy 5:12-15, NKJV)

Now arriving in New Testament times, Jesus the Son of God keeps the Seventh day Sabbath holy:

“Then Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and news of Him went out through all the surrounding region. And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read.” (Luke 4:14-16, NKJV)

“For the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.’ Now when He had departed from there, He went into their synagogue. And behold, there was a man who had a withered hand. And they asked Him, saying, ‘Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?’—that they might accuse Him. Then He said to them, ‘What man is there among you who has one sheep, and if it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will not lay hold of it and lift it out? Of how much more value then is a man than a sheep? Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath.’ Then He said to the man, ‘Stretch out your hand.’ And he stretched it out, and it was restored as whole as the other.” (Matthew 12:8-13, NKJV)

Jesus’ prophetic words on the future siege and destruction of Jerusalem, highlights the sacredness of the Seventh day Sabbath. Some 40 years after Jesus returns to Heaven, AD70, His words of warning still echoes the sacredness of the Seventh day Sabbath:

And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath.” (Matthew 24:20, NKJV)

In death, Jesus rests in the tomb on the Seventh day Sabbath, perfecting our salvation in obedience to God’s sacred law of life:

“But all His acquaintances, and the women who followed Him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things. Now behold, there was a man named Joseph, a council member, a good and just man. He had not consented to their decision and deed. He was from Arimathea, a city of the Jews, who himself was also waiting for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a tomb that was hewn out of the rock, where no one had ever lain before. That day was the Preparation, and the Sabbath drew near. And the women who had come with Him from Galilee followed after, and they observed the tomb and how His body was laid. Then they returned and prepared spices and fragrant oils. And they rested on the Sabbath according to the commandment.” (Luke 23:49-56, NKJV)

Upon Jesus’ return to Heaven, His disciples, mother and brothers continue to keep the seventh day Sabbath holy as always:

“Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day’s journey. And when they had entered, they went up into the upper room where they were staying: Peter, James, John, and Andrew; Philip

and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot; and Judas the son of James. These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.” (Acts 1:12-14, NKJV)

Through New Testament times, Paul a prominent apostle of the early Christian church keeps the Seventh day Sabbath holy true to God:

“Now when Paul and his party set sail from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia; and John, departing from them, returned to Jerusalem. But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and sat down. And after the reading of the Law and the Prophets, the rulers of the synagogue sent to them, saying, ‘Men and brethren, if you have any word of exhortation for the people, say on.’” (Acts 13:13-15, NKJV)

“So when the Jews went out of the synagogue, the Gentiles begged that these words might be preached to them the next Sabbath. Now when the congregation had broken up, many of the Jews and devout proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas, who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace of God. On the next Sabbath almost the whole city came together to hear the word of God.” (Acts 13:42-44, NKJV)

“And a vision appeared to Paul in the night. A man of Macedonia stood and pleaded with him, saying, ‘Come over to Macedonia and help us.’ Now after he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go to Macedonia, concluding that the Lord had called us to preach the gospel to them. Therefore, sailing from Troas, we ran a straight course to Samothrace, and the next day came to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is the foremost city of that part of Macedonia, a colony. And we were staying in that city for some days. And on the Sabbath day we went out of the city to the riverside, where prayer was customarily made; and we sat down and spoke to the women who met there. Now a certain woman named Lydia heard us. She was a seller of purple from the city of Thyatira, who worshiped God. The Lord opened her heart to heed the things spoken by Paul.” (Acts 16:9-14, NKJV)

Now the apostle Paul refers back to the seventh day Sabbath given by God at earth’s creation:

“For He has spoken in a certain place of the seventh day in this way: ‘And God rested on the seventh day from all His works’; and again in this place: ‘They shall not enter My rest.’ Since therefore it remains that some must enter it, and those to whom it was first preached did not enter because of disobedience, again He designates a certain day, saying in David, ‘Today,’ after such a long time, as it has been said: ‘Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts.’ For if Joshua had given them rest, then He would not afterward have spoken of another day. There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.” (Hebrews 4:4-10, NKJV)

The apostle John receives the revelation of Jesus Christ on the Lord's day, the Seventh day Sabbath:

"I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet..." (Revelation 1:9-10, NKJV)

"For the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath." (Matthew 12:8, NKJV)

Looking into the heavenly temple, John sees the Ark of the Covenant, God's Ten Commandments residing in a golden chest. And so through John's eyes we also see that God's law remains in existence, exalted and honoured. Thus the Seventh day Sabbath centred in the law remains as God's holy day for worship - even to our day and beyond.

"Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple. And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail." (Revelation 11:19, NKJV)

#### **Commandment Four:**

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it." (Exodus 20:8-11, NKJV)

Furthermore the book of Revelation informs us that those who keep God's commandments shall have the right to enter the heavenly Jerusalem and partake of the tree of life. Remember the seventh day Sabbath is centred in the Ten Commandments for observance and keeping the seventh day Sabbath we also keep the faith of Jesus, following in His spiritual footsteps of truth.

"Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.' (John 14:6, NKJV)

"Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus." (Revelation 14:12, NKJV)

"Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie." (Revelation 22:14-15, NKJV)

“And in their mouth was found no deceit, for they are without fault before the throne of God.” (Revelation 14:5, NKJV)

“To the law and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.” (Isaiah 8:20, NKJV)

The seventh day Sabbath continues on in the earth made new, kept throughout eternity:

“For as the new heavens and the new earth Which I will make shall remain before Me,’ says the Lord, ‘So shall your descendants and your name remain. And it shall come to pass That from one New Moon to another, And from one Sabbath to another, All flesh shall come to worship before Me,” says the Lord.” (Isaiah 66:22-23, NKJV)

“Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven.” (Psalm 119:89, NKJV)

“God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” (John 4:24, NKJV)

“For I am the Lord, I do not change...” (Malachi 3:6, NKJV)



## 26. Planet Earth Gifted to the Human Race

UPON THEIR CREATION, God gifted to Adam and Eve the dominion of Planet Earth. And furthermore through God’s implanted gift of reproduction, the human couple was to populate the world with their progeny becoming genetic parents of the entire human race. And so in Eden their paradise home, Adam and Eve began their lives tending to their garden paradise. Born of God’s holy creation, Adam’s and Eve’s bodies were designed to last forever. The first earthlings were tall in stature, brilliant in intellect and vibrant in spirit. The food to nourish their total being comes from the natural produce of the earth. Rich soil full of minerals feeds the plant life, growing delicious food full of nourishing goodness for human health. Like Adam and Eve, creature life, birds and animals were also sustained by a variety of plant food. The fledgling world was perfect in every way. Adam and Eve were perfect in every way, holy in thought and deed, lovingly serving God keeping His commandments of life.

“Then God blessed them, and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” (Genesis 1:28, NKJV)

“When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, The moon and the stars, which You have ordained, What is man that You are mindful of him, And the son of man that You visit him? For You have made him a little lower than the angels, And You have crowned him with glory and honor. You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet, All sheep and oxen— Even the beasts of the field, The birds of the air, And the fish of the sea That pass through the paths of the seas. O Lord, our Lord, How excellent is Your name in all the earth!” (Psalm 8:3-9, NKJV)

“The Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed.” (Genesis 2:8, NKJV)

“Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.” (Genesis 2:15, NKJV)

“I have seen the God-given task with which the sons of men are to be occupied. He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end. I know that nothing is better for them than to rejoice, and to do good in their lives, and also that every man should eat and drink and enjoy the good of all his labor—it is the gift of God.” (Ecclesiastes 3:10-13, NKJV)

“And God said, ‘See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.’” (Genesis 1:29, NKJV)

“Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.” (1 Corinthians 10:31, NKJV)

“Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food; and it was so.” (Genesis 1:30, NKJV)

“The eyes of all look expectantly to You, And You give them their food in due season. You open Your hand And satisfy the desire of every living thing.” (Psalm 145:15-16, NKJV)

“Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me?” (Jeremiah 32:27, NKJV)

“And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings,” (Acts 17:26, NKJV)

“This is the book of the genealogy of Adam. In the day that God created man, He made him in the likeness of God. He created them male and female, and blessed them and called them Mankind in the day they were created.” (Genesis 5:1-2, NKJV)



But we know that in the beginnings of Planet Earth something went terribly wrong changing the course of our world to our very day. We invite you to look out for Part 2 and discover the truth behind the fall of Planet Earth. The result: death.



## **The End**

**The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make His face shine upon you;  
And be gracious to you;  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,  
And give you peace.**

**Numbers 7:24-26**