

## **The Sent Son**

### **(The Perfect One)**

*For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (St. John 3:16)*

These days we are living in now make it vitally important that we understand this one thing, God so loved the world that **HE GAVE** his only begotten son! There are some who teach that Jesus grew into his sonship, that he was not the Son of God, the Christ of God, from the beginning. Some say he was given that position only after proving to his Father he could keep the Law. Some say the Spirit of Christ descended on the man Jesus at his baptism and that is when he became the Son of God. Others say he wasn't the Son of God until he rose from the dead. There are many different thoughts being presented about the Sonship of Jesus Christ, but what does the scripture say ....The first man Adam was made a living soul, the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. (1 Cor 15:45) Do you want to be quickened? Do you want to be made alive in God? If you do, then you will have to believe on the Son of God, Jesus Christ. There is no other way.

### **The Word Was Made Flesh**

The sonship of Jesus is not something He grew into, neither is it something he obtained through a holy life. If you will turn that statement around, you will find the truth. He lived a holy life because he was the Son of God from the beginning and he did always those things that pleased his Father. He was the Lord from heaven that came to this earth, he was not a man from the earth that raised into the heavens. The Lord from heaven came to this earth and his Father has highly exalted him. Praise the Lord!!

St. John 1:1 and 1:14 says...

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... and the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.*

What? The Word was made flesh! Some believe that Jesus was just a flesh man that grew into his sonship while here on earth and the Christ came on him at his baptism and then left him just before his death on the cross.... such foolishness! What does the Bible say? It says, the Word was made flesh ... it does not say that flesh was made the Word.

### **He Gave His Son**

In St. John 3:16 we read,

*“For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”*

Now, what was it that God gave the world? Was it a prophet? Was it a great teacher? Was it a man sent to try out for the position of savior? NO! The scripture says it was His

son that He gave to the world, His only begotten son. Jesus was His son from the beginning, the Son that was sent!

### **The Love of God Manifested**

I am more and more appreciative of Jesus now, than ever before, since God has deepened my understanding of His Son and would have all to know this true fact that... In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. (1 John 4:9) Because it was His Son that he sent (and not just a man that He raised up in the earth) we see the love of God manifested for us.

If God sent his Son then Jesus must have been his Son when he was born, or it is not true that God sent his only begotten son. Isaiah prophesied of the Son some 730 years before the event, in Isaiah chapter 9:6 when he said, For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder!

The reason I want the emphasis of this booklet to be on the SON SENT is because there are some today who teach that Jesus had to be made perfect. They teach he was not perfect in the beginning of his earthen ministry but, he had to learn obedience by the things that he suffered and by these means he was made perfect and became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him. They teach that he had to learn obedience as if at sometime in his walk he didn't know how to obey but, he had to learn to obey.

The scripture they use for this thought is found in Hebrews chapter 5, verses 8 and 9... Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him. The key to unlocking the real meaning of this scripture is found in the answer to the following two questions: what does it mean that he learned obedience by the things which he suffered; and what does it mean that he was made perfect?

### **Be Established In the Present Truth**

The first truth we must have forever settled is Jesus Christ came from a virgin birth, it was from above. He came right into the realm of humanity, the Son begotten of God. He had no earthly father. That is why he is Lord! That is why he is your Lord and my Lord.

Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior was born of the virgin Mary, a woman who never knew a man, so the scriptures declare in Matthew 1:18 (and Luke 1:34)... Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

Do not ever allow a spirit to enter your thoughts and deceive you into thinking that his birth was in any other way than this way. All of your revelation on perfection and overcoming will have no effect in your life unless you give Jesus Christ the proper place and glory that God gave him. Only through Jesus is there perfection. He is the first Overcomer; he is the builder of his church; he is the author and finisher of our faith; but, you cannot receive him as such if you only see him in his humanity and never in his deity.

It is important that we understand Jesus was a man with like passions, that he was tempted in all points like as we are, yet without sin. But there is a danger in any teaching that

brings Jesus down to Son of Man only, without always considering the deity that was in him, and the Spirit of his Father that guided him and kept him in divine perfect order, so that in the face of all his temptations he said, Not my will, but thine be done.

### **Conformed to the Image of His Son**

Will Jesus Christ bring a body of believers to perfection here in the earth? YES! Will these believers be made into the likeness and image of Jesus Christ himself? YES! For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. (Rom 8:29) Is this body of believers known scripturally as the Overcomers? Yes! All these things are true, but it is not true that you can work your way into perfection by your own efforts. None of your religious activities, none of your own ability to think things out in your own mind and none of your talents can bring you into the state of perfection that the Bible teaches the body of Christ shall be brought into in this day. (Heb 6:1) How then will we come into this state of perfection?

### **Jesus Said, I Will Raise It Up**

Jesus said in St. John 6:39...

*“...and this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing but should raise it up again at the last day.”*

There is a message going forth in the land today that teaches salvation by works. They are not looking for Jesus to raise them up in the last day. Their message proclaims Jesus had to learn obedience and he had to be made perfect. They teach that Jesus had a carnal nature to overcome and he succeeded in putting it down. Therefore, since he is the Pattern Son, we must overcome our carnal nature also. There is nothing in the scripture that teaches you that you can overcome your carnal nature. IT MUST BE DESTROYED! It is the enemy of God. It is not subject to the Law of God, NEITHER INDEED CAN IT BE as we read in Romans 8:7.

Now I am by no means saying that you do not have to make any effort on your part to live the principles set forth in the Word of God. There are some do's and don'ts. There are some things you can overcome. You can overcome the temptation to yield to the carnal mind and to the selfwill through the working power of Jesus Christ in your life. But you must first see Jesus as One Sent of God before you can have that working power in your life.

Those whose message teaches salvation by works, see Jesus primarily as an elder brother. They see him as a mere example, one to be admired and emulated. But, I am persuaded by the scriptures and by the Spirit of God that Jesus is more than that. He is my Lord, He is my Savior, He is my Master and I believe, along with the Apostle Paul, that God hath made him wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption unto us. (1 Cor. 1:30)

Jesus himself said.... And this is the will of him that sent me, that everyone which seeth the Son and believeth on him may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day. ( St. John 6:40) You mean it's that simple? YES! Do you see the Son? Do you believe on Him? Then he will raise you up at the last day. Who is going to raise us up at the last day?.... Jesus, the son who was sent for that purpose, Praise the Lord!

## **What Does It Mean... Learned He Obedience?**

*Hebrews 5:8...Though he were a son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered.*

He learned obedience by the things which he suffered. To really understand the meaning of this scripture we would have to go to the Word of God and see first of all, what it says he was obedient in. Philippians 2:8 says... And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. We see from this that his obedience entailed understanding what the will of God was for his life. It was the cross! That was the will of God for him. He knew he was to be the sacrifice for all and he was obedient to the knowledge of that. Though he were a son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered. What did he suffer? He suffered death for every man. Hebrews 2:9 ...But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man. Some say his obedience was in suffering against the carnal nature, but the scripture says, he was OBEДИENT UNTO DEATH..... even the death of the cross.

I know by the Word of God he could not have been carnally minded because Romans 8:9 says...to be carnally minded is death... it does not bring death, but it is death. Jesus said no man could take his life, therefore showing he did not have death working in him and he could not have been carnally minded!

Going down to verses 7 and 8 in Romans Chapter 8, we read...the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be, so then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. Jesus said in St. John 8:29 speaking of his Father... For I do always those things that please him. Therefore Jesus could not have been at anytime.... in the flesh, or carnal mind.

## **What Did He Suffer?**

Some teach that he suffered because of the everyday struggle against the carnal nature, or the sin nature, but I say unto you again... what does the Word of God say he suffered? Let us go to Isaiah 53:1 and read... Who hath believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as root out of the dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. He is despised and rejected of men;...[now remember this is Jesus these scriptures are talking about]...a man of sorrow, and acquainted with grief: And we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised and we esteemed him not...[he was despised of men but never of God]... surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted... [notice it is WE who esteemed him stricken, it does not say he was stricken of God]... but he was wounded for our transgressions... [are you seeing the suffering of the Lord]... he was bruised for our iniquities...[he did not suffer because of his sin or disobedience]:... the chastisement of our peace was upon him and with his stripes we are healed...[not our stripes but his stripes]... All we like sheep have gone astray...[but he never went astray]; we have turned everyone to his own way...[but he never went his own way, he always did the will of his Father]... and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted yet he opened not his mouth. He suffered it! He suffered

some real hard things at the hands of his brethren, the Jews, which is what Isaiah is talking about here in Chapter 53... and he learned to the fullest extent the reward of his obedience to his Father. That is what he learned, the reward of his obedience... wherefore God hath highly exalted him and given him a name which is above every name that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow of things in heaven and things in earth, and things under the earth. Praise the Name of the Lord!

### **We Learn Disobedience**

Jesus learned obedience by the things which he suffered but we learn disobedience by the things which we suffer. Most of the sufferings we experience are due to the disobedience in our life that God is making us conscious of. But, Jesus suffered his sorrow and pain at the hands of man because he was obedient to God. He died for his obedience to God! And because he did, we who are sometimes disobedient can be made obedient through him and we live because of Him, Glory to His name!

### **What Does It Mean And Being Made Perfect?**

Let us go on to the next question we are dealing with concerning verse 9 of the 5th chapter of Hebrews. “

*And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them who obey him.”*

What does it mean and being made perfect? The English words we see on the pages of our King James Version might produce many directions of thought, but if we go back to the Greek and study the original words used and consider the Old Testament type and shadow of the Lamb, it will give us a clearer picture of what the writer had on his heart.

Many have interpreted this scripture as saying that Jesus had to go through a process of being made perfect before he became the author of eternal salvation, which would suggest that he was at one-time imperfect. Was he a homosexual? NO! Was he an adulterer? NO! Was he a curser? NO! Was there any spot or blemish in him? NO! Is there anything we could lay to his charge? NO! Well then, how is it that any could teach that he had to be made perfect. the only thing he was made was the perfect offering for sin in the sight of God because there was no blemish in him!! Praise His name.

### **What Does The Greek Say?**

These two English words made perfect that we see on the pages of our Bible are actually only one word in the Greek. You find it in Strong's Concordance #5048... teleioo, from 5046; to complete, i.e. (lit.) accomplish, or (fig.) consummate (in Character)...consecrate, finish, fulfill, (make) perfect.

This same word is used in St. John 19:28, After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled saith, I thirst. The word fulfilled in this passage is the same Greek word as made perfect. Let's read it now exchanging the words...After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be made perfect saith, I thirst. Now no one would ever dare suggest that the scripture was at anytime imperfect, but the same word used here to describe the scripture is the same word used in Hebrews to describe Jesus.

In St. John 17:4, the Greek word teleioo is used again... I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. It doesn't mean the work was ever imperfect, it just was not completed until Jesus did ALL that the Father gave him to do.

### **The Spotless Lamb**

If Jesus was ever, at anytime, in the state of imperfection in the sight of God almighty, then he would have been no different than the first Adam in the fallen state, therefore, he would have needed a redeemer himself. I know that Jesus, as far as his humanity goes, was made of flesh, bone and blood like you and I are; but, nowhere is it written where he had to ask God to forgive him!! The blood of Jesus Christ is the blood of a spotless lamb. So, if Jesus was no more than Adam, then he could never have been the spotless lamb, our passover lamb, and I would still be in my sins and in need of a Savior. I would still be looking for the Messiah just like the natural Jews are today. They are still looking for the perfect one to come. But what they don't know is, the perfect one was sent to them and his name is Jesus, the spotless lamb, the redeemer, the forgiver of all our sins, glory to His Name!

If he had to be made perfect (meaning a process of becoming perfect), instead of being made perfect (which is a state of being) then he cannot be our Savior. And we will have to be made perfect by the same process that he supposedly was. That takes away HIS salvation. That takes away HIS saving power in my life and your life. That makes salvation come by works instead of grace.

You can never be a Savior to yourself. No place is it written that a sinner ever becomes a Savior. Neither can your sins be forgiven by a sinner. So if Jesus was imperfect and had to be made perfect then he was a sinner and needed a sin offering to be offered for himself. Once we get it in the right order and accept him as being sent from God... the Son Sent... God so loved the world that HE GAVE... herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his son to be the propitiation for our sin... not that we loved him but he loved us and SENT HIS SON... Praise God!!!

Once we get that turned around right and really see Jesus as he is.... the same yesterday, today and forever, the eternal, immortal Son of God; the one who was sent to save his people from their sins.... THEN we won't have any problem understanding what he was made perfect in. We won't have any problem seeing what he fulfilled. We won't have any problem seeing what he finished. All of these are the same Greek word teleioo that is translated made perfect in Hebrews 5:9.

### **The Perfect Offering**

He was the perfect offering for the sins of humanity, provided by God to all that believe in him and obey him, Hallelujah! Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world (St. John 1:29) HE is the perfect sacrifice... and being (made perfect) he became!! Once we see him as the Lord, the Spotless One and not just a brother, then we will have it in the right order. Sonship, Restoration and Overcoming ministers have preached him as an elder brother long enough. We need to see him in his Lordship now. We have dwelt too long on the human side, it is time to put some emphasis on the Son of God side!! The human side is the Son of Man, but the Son of God is the one who was sent, the Word

made flesh. It is time that we see him and consider him as one that has been sent from God and not one that came and had to grow up into God.

### **Completion Of His Earthly Course**

Vines Expository Dictionary defines the Greek word *Teleioo* which is translated made perfect in Hebrews 5:9 as... bringing to completeness of persons: Of Christ's assured completion of His earthly course, in the accomplishment of the Father's will, the successive stages culminating in his death, (see Luke 13:32, Heb. 2:10); to make Him perfect, legally and officially for all that He would be to His people on the ground of His sacrifice ( see Heb. 5:9, 7:28).

Praise the Lord; he was the perfect son in every stage. There was a life for him to live, there were prophecies that had to be fulfilled, there was a cup of suffering to drink, there was a baptism to be baptized with, there was a sacrifice to be made... and he did all...ALL... that God the Father sent him to do. What a Savior!! And being made perfect or being that he fulfilled ALL that God required; he qualified legally to be the author of eternal salvation to all them that obey him. Everybody knows what the word author means. The author of a book is the one who wrote it. He is the one that created the work. Israel had a yearly salvation under the old Covenant, but Jesus, by the perfect sacrifice of himself... a spotless lamb... authored an eternal salvation to all them that obey him, Praise God!

### **This Is An Eternal Salvation**

Jesus is the author of eternal salvation to all that obey him. Before the cross of Calvary, the House of Israel had a yearly salvation by means of a yearly sacrifice that appeased the anger of God... it was not an eternal salvation..." *For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect*"(Heb. 10:1) The blood of that animal could not pay the price for an eternal salvation.

When the High Priest of Israel, under the covenant of the law, offered an animal sacrifice on the day of Atonement, God accepted the blood of that innocent animal for another year only. God blessed Israel and gave them one more year because of the blood of an innocent life. It took the blood of an innocent, spotless animal under the Old Covenant, which we understand to be a type of the New Covenant. How much greater is the spotlessness of Jesus who is the fulfillment of that type. Why would anyone think that God would be satisfied with anything less than a spotless life in the mediator of the New Covenant?

### **He Entered In For Us!**

Jesus did not enter into the Holiest of Holies by the blood of animals. He was not made perfect by the sacrificial offering of the Levitical priesthood. Hebrews 9:12 says, "*neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption FOR US!*" For who? For us, glory to God, for us!! For you and me and for everyone that believes that he is the perfect sacrifice that is pleasing in the sight of God "*For if the blood of bulls and goats, and the ashes of the heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: 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?*" (Heb. 9:13)

## **Separate From Sinners**

*“For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners”....not separated.....but separate! He was separate from sinners but yet he walked amongst them preaching the Kingdom of God. Our high priest is...made higher than the heavens; “Who needeth not daily as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's for this he did once, when he offered up himself.”*  
( Heb. 7:26-27) Thank God for Jesus, His Sent Son!