



*The
Beast
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A Biblical Study of Good & Evil

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Preface

The Beast Within is a Biblical study of Good and Evil. It begins with a war in Heaven and ends with a war on earth. It is the struggle of good and evil in the human soul throughout the ages.

I will attempt to paint a word picture of the Beast that lives inside of us all, exposing its character, appetites and plans to destroy mankind. I will show its origin, its destiny and its current day prison.

The KJV of the Bible will be my major source of Divine revelation for this study. All claims and theories will be documented accordingly from this source material.

I will also reveal God's plan for His children in relationship to being controlled by the Beast and how to walk in this life free from the Beastly appetites that rule most of us today.

Introduction

“And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.” **Revelation 13:1**

The Apostle John, the author of the book of Revelation tells us about The Beast that will rise up out of the sea. Most theologians look at this from a spiritual sense, not literal. The sea being the sea of humanity. The seven heads being evil kingdoms that oppose Christ and blaspheme God, and the 10 crowns that exalt the deeds of the flesh as mentioned in Galatians 5:19-20.

This teaching will follow the nature of evil from beginning to end. We will look at the war in heaven and the battle for the souls of men. We will see the nature of sin, what it is and what it is not. We will examine Bible passages to find hidden and obvious truths that will show us why we are the way we are and how different God wanted us to be.

We will look at the new heaven and new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness. We will discuss the times in which we live and die. When we are through, we will have a better perspective of life and eternity.



The War In Heaven

Revelation 12:7-12 King James Version (KJV)

“ And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.



And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! For the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.”

The above verses tell us that there was a war between God and Satan. It took place in Heaven. Notice that Satan is also mentioned by several of his other names, that old serpent, the devil, the accuser of the brethren and the great dragon. We are told that he did not win the battle against the angel, Michael and the armies of our God. As a result, he was thrown out of heaven. But God did not allow His enemy to roam the universe. He was cast down to the earth.

Here’s what Jude had to say, “I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. ⁶ And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.” **Jude 5-6**

Jesus said this, “And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.” **Luke 10: 17-18**

So the war in heaven left God’s enemy to be cast to earth where he and all of his angels, now demons, dwell. He knows that his time is short so he makes war on the saints to prevent them from experiencing God’s love and blessings. All of this tells me that we are the objects of Satan’s wrath. Peter backs this notion up in his letter **I Peter 5:8**, “Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:”



Herein is a picture of life on planet earth. We are the objects of the devil’s wrath. He roams the earth, not Mars or another galaxy, seeking those who are unaware, unconcerned, and ignorant of the truth. When he finds them, he seeks to steal their peace, kill their dreams and destroy their souls.

So, on the one hand, we have a dragon after us attacking from a distance. But there is another enemy that hides inside of us. He is like the dragon in every way. I call him, “The Beast Within”.

The Origin of The Beast



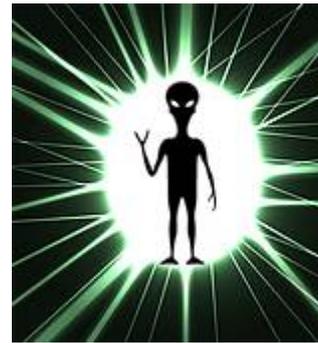
The Beast was born out of jealousy and pride that led to disobedience. It’s image and likeness is the same as the very character of the devil. He wanted to over through God and become God. (“I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.” **Isaiah 14:14**) His original name was Lucifer when he served the Most High God in heaven. It was he that waged war against God and led a third of the angels into the war in heaven. He is also known as Satan, the devil, the serpent, the evil one, and there are others. He found himself on earth, with no power of his own. He had to steal that authority from man who had dominion over every living thing on the earth.

We were to take dominion and rule the planet under the authority and grace of God. But the serpent deceived Eve and talked Adam into disobeying God's command. The result of their actions caused spiritual death to both of them and allowed sin to enter into the hearts of men and pass on through every generation. **Romans 5/12 and Genesis 2:15-17.**

The Beast Invades Humanity

12 "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: **13** (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. **14** Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come." **Romans 5:12-14**

Romans 5:18-21 tells us, "Therefore as by the offence of one *judgment came* upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one *the free gift came* upon all men unto justification of life. **19** For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous. **20** Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: **21** That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord."



So, Adam disobeyed God, just like Satan did and, like Satan, was thrown out of God's presence. Man falls from God's reality into the darkness of sin. He lost the image and likeness of God. But God still loves him and makes a plan for his restoration. Man was justified by the blood of Jesus and His righteousness was imparted to us, all who believe.

However, the sin that started with Satan filled the void left when God's Spirit was removed from Adam. It's important to realize that God breathed into man, the breath of life and that was what made him a living soul. Life is always in relationship with God. If one is dead, he or she has no "breath of life" in them.

Adam possessed the, "Breath of Life" but it was taken away when he disobeyed. How do I know this? Because of **Genesis 2:17** that says, "But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." He dies spiritually but ended up living as the walking dead...a zombie for sure.

We're all Zombies without the breath of life in us. Just in case you are still a bit confused, the "Breath of Life" is a reference to the Holy Spirit. His infilling is what causes us to be a Living Soul.

The Image & Likeness of The Beast

The image and likeness of the beast is exactly the same as Paul describes in Galatians 5 when discussing the works of the flesh. Hear what he said, "Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, ²⁰ Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, ²¹ Envy, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." **Galatians 5:19-21**

The above list is only a partial list. Paul ends the list with, "and such like" which means there are more but what has already been presented is enough to make his point. All of these attitudes live within us and is what I call the "Beast Within"



We struggle with this evil nature every day. However, we were not the only ones. Hear what Paul said about himself, "For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. ¹⁹ For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do." **Romans 7:18-19** Paul goes on to say that by the grace of God he can find deliverance from the Beast Within.

This brings up a theological question. Am I a liar because I lie? Or do I lie because I am a liar at heart? Let's see what the scriptures say, "The heart is

deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?”
Jeremiah 17:9

Jesus said, “Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.” **Matthew 15:11**



The nature of Sin, which entered the human race and passed upon all men, which is the image and likeness of Lucifer or Satan or the devil, whichever you want to call him, defiled mankind. He lost the image and likeness of his creator and now has to live with this evil beast inside that drive him to act out all manor of evil in the earth.

We can easily see this being played out in our society. You see, those evening news reports do not report all the wonderful acts of righteousness. They rather inform us of who murdered who, who cheated on who, how many burglaries happened last night, what political deceptions were tossed to the media and so forth. Evil! Evil! And more Evil!

And what about the T.V. line-ups? The shows are the same, full of immorality, off color jokes, acts of violence and the like. It's hard to find a decent movie or sitcom without having to deal with bad language, violence, immorality or gay rights. We can clearly see the image and likeness of the Beast that lives within us. The work of the flesh is all around us. We are slaves to it and have no way out...or do we?

Overcoming The Beast

Paul tells the Galatians in chapter 5, “Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.” “For we, through the Spirit, wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.” “This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit



against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.”

This is good news because it gives us two weapons that we can use to defeat the beast within. The above scripture says..

1. Wait for the hope of righteousness by Faith. Here’s what James Smith said back in 1860. His words hold true today.

"The hope," not a grace — but a prospect — not a work within us — but an object before us. *The hope that is laid up for us in Heaven, of which we have been informed by the gospel.*

It is something *good*, exceeding good. It is something *future*, which we are led to expect. It is something *attainable*, though its attainment may be difficult. It is an *inheritance* that is incorruptible, undefiled, and that fades not away, which is reserved in Heaven for us. It is a *house* not made with hands. It is a *city*, which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.



It is a *state*, in which we shall enjoy a freedom from evil, and be put in possession of all real good, both physical and moral. The poor *body* will no more suffer from pain — but will be healthy, spiritual, powerful, and immortal. *The soul will be no more tormented by sin, nor harassed with doubts, and fears — but will be holy, confident, and happy forever.*

O *glorious hope*, prepared for us, by our Heavenly Father's love; procured for us, by our beloved Savior's sufferings and death, and revealed to us, by the blessed Spirit, in God's holy book!

The Ground Of Our Hope Is Righteousness

The core of our hope is: The righteousness of Jesus... A righteousness, which is the gift of grace... A righteousness, which becomes ours through faith... A righteousness, which Jesus wrought out for us... A righteousness, which the



Holy Spirit revealed to us... A righteousness, which became ours by believing in Jesus... A righteousness, which was *provided* by the Son of God, which is *imparted* to us by the Father of mercies, and which we were enabled to apprehend and appropriate through the aid of the eternal Spirit.

This is the righteousness of God, which is by faith of Jesus Christ, unto all, and upon all, those who believe, without any difference. How important then is *faith* in Christ!

The Medium Of Possession Is Faith

Not *works*, however splendid. Not *experience*, however deep. No — but by *simple faith alone*, the righteousness of Christ becomes ours; and through that righteousness, the hope of eternal life. In this faith, there is first the persuasion of the existence of this righteousness. Feeling our need of righteousness, we are led to the Divine Word; there we are informed, that God through the life, labors, and death of his beloved Son — has provided righteousness for sinners. Hence springs up in the mind, the persuasion that there is already prepared, the very righteousness we need. Then we embrace the righteousness provided for us, and presented to us. And perceiving that God has laid up in Heaven a glorious hope for all who believe in his Son, a confident expectation of enjoying it springs up in the mind.

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We expect it as a free gift. We feel confident, because God, who cannot lie, has promised. Being a free gift — no *worthiness* is expected in the recipient. Being provided by a faithful God — we can look forward to it with confidence and joy. It is promised to faith — not to works; to believing — not to doing. "It is," as the Apostle says, "of faith, that it might be by grace."

Our Present Position Is Waiting

We *wait* for the glorious object of our hope. We have to wait God's *time* — when we shall be put into possession. We wait in God's *way* — which leads us directly to the inheritance. We wait in God's *work* — who employs us for our good, and his own glory. We wait — and should do so *patiently*, though briars and thorns are with us. We wait — and should do so with

perseverance; though the Lord may delay, and we may be deeply tried, sorely troubled, and often filled with painful solicitude.

Waiting supposes, that we believe the object of hope to be *real, certain, valuable, and worth* waiting for; and this is preeminently the case with the hope of the gospel. We shall have a *real Heaven*, the same that Jesus has. Its *value* is incalculable, for it comprises all that is good, great, and glorious. It is *certain*, as certain as the promise and oath of God, the obedience and blood-shedding of the Son of God, and the witness and the earnest of the Holy Spirit can make it. O glorious object of our hope! Hoping for what we see not; that which is real, invaluable, and certain — well may we with patience wait for it.



The Source From Whence We Derive Grace To Wait Is The Spirit.



The Holy Spirit, as the Spirit of God, as the Spirit of Christ, works *faith* in our hearts, produces *patience* and *fortitude* — and fixing the eye on the glorious hope, enables us to wait for it. We are not more indebted to the work of *Christ without* us, for a *title* to this hope — than we are to the *Holy Spirit within us*, for a *perception* of it, a *desire* to possess it, and *patience* to wait for it. By his gracious influences and divine teaching — he encourages us under all our difficulties, supports us in all our conflicts, witnesses to our interest in it, and points us forward, persuading us that we shall possess it. Blessed Spirit, you begat in me a *desire* for glory, you *revealed Jesus* to me as the way to obtain it, you worked *faith* in my heart to believe and expect it, and hitherto you have enabled me to *wait* for it.

Brethren, see, first, on what your *eye* should be fixed — the hope laid up for you in Heaven. See, second, on what your *heart* should rest — the righteousness of God our Savior. See, third, the *principle* you should cherish, faith. Not doubts, or fears, or languishing hopes — but faith. Faith in Jesus and his finished work! Faith in God, and his covenant love, and most holy Word. See, fourth, the *posture* in which you should be found,

waiting. Not sleeping — but watching. Not loitering — but working. Waiting, or looking for that blessed hope, even the glorious appearing of the great God, our Savior Jesus Christ. See, finally, the *agent* to whom you are indebted, the Holy Spirit. Yes, to the Holy Spirit, you are laid under the deepest obligation, and to the Holy Spirit you should render constant praise. Seek to realize more of his presence, to feel more of his power, to experience more of his love, and to exhibit in your daily life and conversation more of his fruits. O my soul, see to it that this is your daily experience, and seek grace to say, "I, through the Spirit, wait for the hope of righteousness by faith." **James Smith 1860**

2. **“This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.” Galatians 5:16**

Hear what Matthew Henry, a theologian from the past wrote in his commentary on this subject.

Believers are engaged in a conflict, in which they earnestly desire that grace may obtain full and speedy victory. And those who desire thus to give themselves up to be led by the Holy Spirit, are not under the law as a covenant of works, nor exposed to its awful curse.

Their hatred of sin, and desires after holiness, show that they have a part in the salvation of the gospel.

The works of the flesh are many and manifest. And these sins will shut men out of heaven. Yet what numbers, calling themselves Christians, live in these, and say they hope for heaven! The fruits of the Spirit, or of the renewed nature, which we are to do, are named. And as the apostle had chiefly named works of the flesh, not only hurtful to men themselves, but tending to make them so to one another, so here he chiefly notices the fruits of the Spirit, which tend to make Christians agreeable one to another, as well as to make them happy. The fruits of the Spirit plainly show, that such are led by the Spirit. By describing the works of the flesh and fruits of the Spirit, we are told what to avoid and oppose, and what we are to cherish and cultivate; and this is the sincere care and endeavor of all real Christians. **Matthew Henry, Theologian**



The quicker we allow the fruit of God's Spirit to manifest in us, the faster we will move away from the work of the flesh. We cannot hate if we are actively engaging in love. If we allow the peace of God to rule in our hearts, where is there room for anger or thoughts of hostility? If we cultivate the ability to suffer long (Longsuffering) where are critical attitudes and a domineering posture?

When we walk in the Spirit, we cannot walk in the flesh. We are given a free will choice as a Christian, to allow the image of God or allow the image of Satan to indwell us and reveal the likeness of the one we serve. We cannot serve them both. We have to reject one in order to serve the other. There is no neutrality.

Ok, I know what you will say next, **“How do I walk in the Spirit?”** *Answer:* 1st. get “Born Again” 2nd. Find out what the fruit of God's Spirit is. 3rd. Do not allow any emotions that are not the fruit to find their way into your thoughts, actions or dreams. The apostle Paul told the Ephesians to, “Neither give place to the devil.” **Ephesians 4:27**



Since the devil has placed his image and likeness inside of us and has in effect created a Beast, this scripture fits perfectly. We are told to give those deeds that come from the flesh, no place. To express it in a more dynamic way, we are not to give any place in our hearts and actions to the works of the flesh which are *these*; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envy, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. **Galatians 5:19-21**

We in effect, put the flesh to death when we give it no place. We take authority over the Beast Within by walking in the fruit of the Spirit which is, love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. This is accomplished by faith, not our emotional state.

Life in the Spirit is a journey, and while there are many great passages throughout Scripture that discuss the role and person of the Holy Spirit, **Romans 8** is perhaps one of the most insightful.

In his book, *Walking in the Spirit*, Ken Berding provides 7 suggestions that will fuel a passion for the things of the Spirit and further educate how to live a life directed by him.

7 Steps To Walking The Spiritual Walk

(Modified from *Walking in the Spirit* by Kenneth Berding)

Walk In The Spirit - (Rom. 8:4)

There is no shortcut to learning how to walk with the Spirit. It's not just for ultra-spiritual people nor is it reserved for charismatic Christians. Life according to the Spirit is not simply trying to do the right thing, nor is it trying to live according to God's Law. Walking in the Spirit is the central metaphor for describing what it means to live as a Christian. The person who walks according to the Spirit will in fact have the essence of the Law fulfilled in his or her life.



Set Your Minds On The Things Of The Spirit (Rom. 8:5)

The question "how does one overcome the pull of the flesh?" sounds like an old riddle: How can someone extract all of the air out of a drinking glass? The most direct way to get all the air out of a glass is by filling it with something else. You cannot extract thoughts that displease God from your mind. Like [the solution to the riddle], you need to be filled up with thoughts—indeed with an entire mindset—that is oriented toward the things of the Spirit (**Gal. 5:22-23**).

Put To Death The Deeds of The Body By The Spirit (Rom. 8:13)

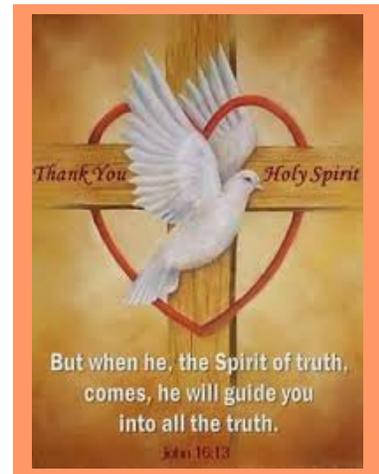
The person who has been regenerated by the Spirit is not stuck in sin. By the Spirit, the pull of the flesh can be resisted. To 'put to death the deeds of the

body' is pretty much the same thing as 'saying no to sin,' but unlike the anti-drug campaign among youth many years ago, 'Just Say No' by itself will never be successful. Just saying no will never allow you to consistently overcome sin. Then what must you do? You must say no by the Spirit.

(To say no by the Spirit is to confess the scripture that overcomes the temptation. For example, The Beast says to steel that pen from your job. You say, "Thou shalt not steel" You are using the Word to overcome the Beast. This was exactly what Jesus did when the devil tempted him in the wilderness. He said, "It Is Written". We need to know what is written and use it accordingly.)

Be Led By The Spirit (Rom. 8:14)

The Holy Spirit leads us broadly (always) and more specifically (sometimes). He always leads us through his written Word, which was revealed to the prophets by the Holy Spirit (2 Pet. 1:20-21). We are to prayerfully, carefully, and humbly apply broad biblical wisdom to the situations we face in our lives. Sometimes the Holy Spirit leads us directly.



The Holy Spirit can choose to act in any way and according to any timetable that he wishes; we do not dictate to him how or when he will move. Since the Bible gives many examples of him acting more specifically, we should anticipate that he will sometimes choose to lead us directly if we are open and available to his guidance.

Know The Fatherhood of God By The Spirit (Rom. 8:15-17)

Without the Holy Spirit, we would never know our freedom and identity as God's adoptive children. Thankfully, God has freely given us his Holy Spirit, and these verses from Romans 8 display three amazing things the Spirit does: 1. He acts as the go-between who takes us out of a place of slavery and fear and brings us into a place of adoption and acceptance. 2. He helps us to cry out to God as Father. 3. He testifies with our spirit that we are children of God.

Your word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. Psalm 119:105

Hope In The Spirit (Rom 8:22-25)



The biblical concept represented by the English word 'hope' is so strong that it is almost a synonym for 'eager expectation.' The focus of the expectation isn't that life will get better here; it is absorbed with the glorious life to come. What is the role of the Holy Spirit in all this? **Rom 8:23** says: ' We ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.'

Paul claims that it is because we have the Spirit, that we groan. In this passage, it is precisely the presence of the Spirit within you that causes you to feel this particular kind of suffering—the longing for final redemption in the midst of a fallen world. In this way, the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives reminds us of the stark contrast between the wonderful things God has prepared for us who believe and this fallen world that is so full of sin, suffering, and futility.

Pray In The Spirit (Rom. 8:26-28)

These two verses (**Rom 8:26-27**) are so rich and helpful in our lives in the Spirit.

1. We learn that we are weak when we come to prayer. We often don't know what to pray for in any given situation. The concern is not about the manner of prayer (the 'how'), but rather the content of our prayers—what do we actually pray about?
2. We learn that the Spirit joins to help us when we are struggling to know how to pray by interceding for us with wordless groaning. It is not, as some propose, that we should just pray whatever we want since we don't have any idea how to pray, and that the Spirit fixes them up and prays on our behalf to the Father. Rather, the verb often translated



- as 'helps' has a preposition attached to the front of it, which suggests that it really means 'joins to help.'
3. The Spirit is searching our hearts and knows that we have a mind-set that is focused on him, even if we do not know exactly what we are supposed to pray.
 4. The result is that our prayers are prayed 'according to the will of God' because the Holy Spirit is moving us thus to pray and is presenting the prayers that he is guiding us to pray to the Father.

Conclusion



The Bible tells us that there was a war in heaven between God and Lucifer, or Satan. It also says that Satan lost the battle and was thrown out of Heaven to the earth where he now wages war on the saints. We also learned that Satan deceived Eve and persuaded Adam to disobey God and in doing so robbed mankind of the image and likeness of God. As man died spiritually, the image and likeness of Satan filled the void and captured the human soul thus creating The Beast Within, which the Apostle refers to as the work of the Flesh.

We also learned that God never gave up on us even though death passed upon all of us. He made a plan through which we could be Born Again and be restored to the original creation of God. We are destined to move from death unto life, from darkness to light, from mortality to immortality. We are destined to be heirs of God and Joint heirs with Jesus.

God is gathering together a chosen people. They are being taken out of a fallen race to become a chosen generation...the eternal generation of Jesus, The Christ of God.

Question? Where does that leave you? As we complete this study, have you realized anything? Maybe it's that you are of a fallen race but have never been translated into the Jesus Generation. Maybe you now realize that you really are spiritually dead and want to be Born Again into the Kingdom of God's dear Son. If this is true, read these scriptures and ask Jesus to come into your heart.

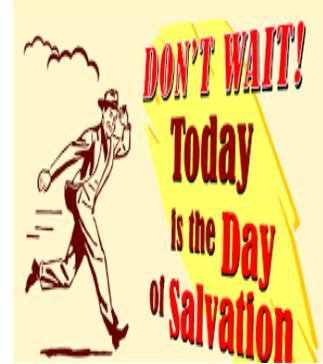
John 3:16 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

Are you a, “**Whosoever?**”

Romans 3:23 “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;”

All means All, including you and me.

Romans 6:23, “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”



Death is inevitable but God has a gift for everyone who accepts Jesus. That gift is eternal life.

"I tell you, Nay: but, except [unless] ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish" (**Luke 13:3,5**).

"But now [God] commandeth [commands] all men everywhere to repent" (**Acts 17:30**).

The final decision is up to you. You can repent, turn from your wicked ways or those ways that are of the flesh and receive Jesus as your savior. He so loved you that He went to the cross as your substitute. He so loved you that He lived a life without sin so He could be the captain of your salvation. He is calling for you to come to Him by faith in His finished work of grace.

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