

HUMANITY'S JOURNEY

Into ultimate Victory

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"For no one is cast off by the Lord forever" Lamentations 3:31 This new series of teachings deals with many Scriptural prophetic and historical truths hidden from most Christians for centuries. The Prophet Daniel was told by God ...

Daniel 12:4

"But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book <u>until the time</u> of the end ...for knowledge shall increase."

We are in this prophesied **time of the end** and God's "truth seekers" are unsealing God's Biblical end-time truths. One example of an end time hidden truth is the doctrine of *humanity's ultimate reconciliation and restoration* known as **APOKATASTASIS.** For the first 500 years of Christianity, this doctrine of humanity's *ultimate restoration* was a prevalent Biblical

Latin Vulgate Bible (used in the KJV translation). Learn how these translation errors led to numerous false teachings regarding **hell and eternal punishment**, which were propagated by early pagan gnostic scholars that began invading the Christian church during the time of the Apostle Paul's ministry. Many **Biblical and historical proofs** are examined that are counter to what the current institutionalized, denominationalized and evangelicalized churches teach regarding the subjects of a never ending tormenting punishment in hell and the Lake of fire. This is not at all to say hell and the Lake of fire are not Biblical realities for they most certainly are. However this teaching series will make clear God's true purposes for their existence. The Bible clearly reveals Jesus Christ died to save ALL of humanity...

(1 Tim 4:10) We trust in the living God, the Savior of <u>ALL HUMANITY</u>, especially of those who believe.

This teaching series may <u>shock</u> and <u>challenge</u> those who have "ears to hear" just as it did this author when receiving the truths from the scriptures now being shared. Each of the teachings in this series will take you on a glorious journey into greater realms of Biblical insights revealing creation's ultimate victory over all sin and death and <u>for every human</u> who ever lived on this sin-soaked planet called "earth." In God's Glorious <u>New Heavens and Earth</u> He says..." I make ALL things new!" (Revelation 21:5) and as the Bible clearly reveals this most certainly includes

... the ULTIMATE RESTORATION ALL OF HUMANITY!!

INTRODUCTION From HUMANITY'S JOURNEY Into Ultimate Victory

I recently read a statement by author and missionary, Gerry Beauchemin, who has served in missions since 1986. In his article, he asked the following questions that every sincere Christian must seriously consider. He wrote...

Are you at peace regarding the eternal destiny of your unsaved children, parents, brothers, sisters, and grandparents? How can we truly experience abundant joy in our "personal" salvation while believing some of our dearest loved ones will suffer throughout eternity? How is real joy possible if you really love them as much as you love yourself?

Many Christians have a problem, a *very serious problem*. The problem is the belief that hell is "eternal" and that most of humanity will suffer endlessly. Deep inside they know something is not right about this, but suppress their questions and doubts because they "think" the Bible teaches hell is "eternal." If we are all willing to be honest, we would have to admit the inner conflict this creates within us! It is futile to find satisfying answers to some of the problems this issue of eternal punishment raises. For example:

- * How can an all-powerful, all-knowing, and all-loving God create billions of people, knowing most will be tormented in hell *forever?*
- ❖ Is the power of our "free will" able to damn ourselves for eternity really absolute, exceeding the power of God's "free will" to save us, His very own property? For God says, "All souls are mine" (Ez. 18:4). If so, who suffers most in eternal damnation, man or God who loves man with an everlasting love (Jer. 31:3)?
- ♦ How can Christ be considered greater than Adam if Adam has the power to condemn more people than Christ has the power to save?"

Please do not accept pat answers to these critical questions. Jesus commands us to judge for ourselves what is right (Luke 12:57). What could possibly be right about a punishment that never ends, especially for people who never heard the gospel message or were taught it incorrectly. How has this teaching that hell is a place of eternal punishment affected the spread of the "Good News" — the Gospel? Please think about it. There are detrimental consequences for the idea of an "eternal" hell. This idea:

- ❖ ...maligns God's character greatly hindering world evangelism.
- ❖ ...contradicts His unending and unfailing love for <u>all</u> people.
- ...makes our worship based more on fear than out of true reverent love.
- ...denies His unlimited power to accomplish His will.
- ...makes man's will greater than God's will.
- ...infinitely minimizes and even contradicts Christ's triumph over death and the evil one.
- ...denies that Christ fully accomplished His mission on earth.
- ...negates and contradicts the most glorious promises in the Bible.
- ...ignores the testimony of the early Church.
- ...robs understanding of the true biblical meaning of God's justice, as well as His lasting mercy, peace and joy.

The Bible is clear about the fact that we are clearly commanded to "Test all things" for ourselves (1 Thessalonians 5:21). I ask, will you as a Bible believing Christian, honestly and scripturally test the teachings, (in light of Scripture) as well as other beliefs that will be mentioned in this book? Because the fear of hell stalks most people and has been one of the greatest stumbling blocks for humanity throughout the ages, and even causing multitudes to give up on Christianity because of it.

Hell is, as will be shown in this book, a very real biblical reality and a horrifying thought, so in defense of the tormenting fear we try not to think about it and prefer to avoid talking about it. Can you really imagine the horror of suffering "forever?" It's easy to see how this thought has the power to affect how people feel about God, and if we're honest, this includes ourselves. Eternal punishment is one of the major themes in this book that is proven to be an unscriptural concept.

This topic of eternal punishment has gripped the human heart as it afflicts millions of people and dishonors God before the world. After years of studying the Bible and relying upon God for the truth from His spirit and placing it above the speculations and opinions of other people, I have found that according to the Bible, hell is a judgment given from the disciplinary hand of a loving Father for the sole purpose of humbling in preparation for correcting those he created. Though the reality surrounding it seems severe, hell ultimately serves a good and remedial purpose, as one of our greatest presidents also agreed. In his book, Abraham Lincoln the Christian, William Johnson, stated:

Abraham Lincoln did not, nor could not believe in the endless punishment of anyone of the human race. He understood punishment for sin to be a Bible doctrine; that the punishment was parental in its object, aim, and design, and intended for the good of the offender; hence it must cease when justice is satisfied. All that was lost by the transgression of Adam was made good by the atonement. (emphasis mine)

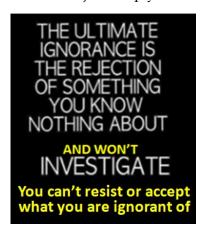
This is indeed good news for those tormented over the destiny of lost loved ones! Even before I had a greater understanding of the true biblical doctrine of eternal punishment, I have always believed and taught that God is good, even when bringing forth His destructive judgments.

He will always do the right thing for **all** people! In my biblical studies I have found that His judgments are not infinite nor horrendously cruel, but just, righteous, corrective, and remedial. This is the foundational message for this book.

Should you be tempted to think that I am manipulating or misusing the Scriptures in this book, I would sincerely ask you to please, dear reader, let the Scriptures being used in the study of God's word on the various topics covered within these pages, speak for themselves. If you do, be ready to be *challenged*, *changed*, and most of all ... fall more in love than ever, with our amazing and wonderful God!

If, however, you believe you belong to a denomination or sect, to which God has given a monopoly on all truth, or if you already know all you need (or want) to know about God, I suggest ...

... you proceed no further and just simply close the book.



On the other hand, for those who don't believe this way, please... again I say, sincerely pray and judge the scriptural evidence that is presented for yourself.

As God enlarges our heart with His truth we will find He is far more loving, fair and powerful than we ever thought. He is out to lead every person ever created by him on *their personal journey* to ultimate victory, and not to ultimate defeat through eternal punishment.

O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? 1Corinthians15:55

Jesus Christ was lifted up on the cross and has been drawing humanity to himself and will continue to do so until every created being receives His Words of truth that will ultimately reconcile and restore them. This will happen...either in this life or, as this series of teachings will prove, in the afterlife, in hell and in God's lake of fire. This is why God has given us many precious promises such as this...

Lamentations 3:31-32

For <u>NONE</u> are cast off by the Lord <u>forever</u>... Though he brings grief, <u>he will show compassion</u>, so great is his unfailing love.

This truly is the **Good News** and the **Full Gospel** message of Jesus Christ!

PREFACE Excerpted from HUMANITY'S JOURNEY Into Ultimate Victory

*(All scripture is from the KJV/NKJV unless otherwise indicated, all parentheses found in Scripture texts in this chapter are added for more literal clarification)

John 8:32 You will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." WEB (World English Bible)

Since becoming a born-again Christian in 1963 at the age of 14 and answering the call from the Lord in 1985 to serve Him in the work of the ministry, my biggest regret is that it has taken so long for me to come to the knowledge of many glorious truths, revealed to me by God's Holy Spirit, as I have studied the Scriptures. What has been written within these pages comes from my burning desire to help people around the world discover true freedom from sin and Satan through understanding the truly GOOD NEWS of the glorious Christian Gospel. One such truth that Has been revealed to me from the Scriptures by God's Holy Spirit is that EVERY SINFUL LIVING being, who is the creation of God, will ultimately be saved, restored, and reconciled to God through the righteous atoning total victory of Jesus Christ by his sacrificial death, burial, and resurrection as payment for humanity's sin.

1 Timothy 4:9-11

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For therefore we both labor and suffer reproach, because WE TRUST in the living God, who is THE SAVIOR OF ALL MEN, especially among those that believe. These things command and teach. (emphasis mine)

As a sincere seeker of truth, I still have many things to learn and *unlearn*, as I am being continually taught by the Holy Spirit through my original Bible language word studies from the original Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek texts. If you are also a sincere seeker of God's truth, I pray you too will become willing to lay aside anything that contradicts the Word of God that you have been taught and are now embracing. Many of my beloved mentors inherited false teachings and ideas from those who mentored them, which were passed on to me and that I have had to and will continue to lay aside in light of the truth that I receive from God's word.

(Jeremiah 16:19) Surely our fathers [i.e., mentors] have inherited lies, vanity, and things in which there is no profit.

One of the subjects of study in this book will be a doctrine called **Apokatastasis**, also known as the doctrine of *ultimate restoration and reconciliation for <u>all</u> creation. Sadly, the understanding of this teaching has been lost to most in mainstream Christianity for centuries.*

Understanding the Biblical truth that *ultimately ALL* of humanity and all creation is going to be saved and restored also gives us a more accurate insight and understanding of prophesied end-time events regarding God's "<u>Called and Chosen</u>" Vessels. Prior to the Dark Ages, believers in Christ were taught by the founding twelve apostles and those they mentored the truth concerning the doctrine of the ultimate <u>restoration of all things</u>, as mentioned by the Apostle Paul in...

Acts 3:21

(Jesus) whom heaven must receive, until the times of the restoration of all things, (Gr. Apokatastasis) which God has spoken by the mouth of His holy prophets since the world began. (Emphasis and parenthesis mine).

As will be shown, the 1st century Christians believed that Jesus Christ was indeed the Savior of ALL mankind and that all creation would ultimately be restored and saved, for this was God's plan since the world began.

A view of history covered in this volume reveals how the Roman emperor Constantine made Christianity the state religion of the Roman empire. As a result, the power of preaching God's love for <u>ALL HUMANITY</u> was diminished due to the insertion of pagan ideas and practices into Christianity in order to entice pagan worshippers into Constantine's Roman Catholic religious political system.

Christianity then became a tyrannical form of religion, and those church leaders who embraced the biblical doctrine of ultimate reconciliation for all mankind were eventually eliminated. Among the many pagan beliefs that were taught were unscriptural concepts of hell (again, hell itself is a Biblical reality), but the false idea of being sentenced to a place of ETERNAL TORMENT AND PUNISHMENT has come about due to the mistranslation of *keywords that will be looked at very closely in light of biblical original language word studies*.

One of the main reasons the Western world went into the Dark Ages was due to pagan *false teachings*, which included many false ideas concerning hell and eternal punishment. This not only perverted the minds of many within Christianity, but it also perverted the glorious Gospel as well as the glorious image of the one true God of *love*, *mercy*, *and genuine justice*.

Unfortunately, for most of Christianity's history, the result has been seeing hell as a place of *eternal*, *never-ending punishment and cruel torment*. Yes, as will be seen the Bible makes it clear that there is a time of painful punishment for the unrepentant sinner in hell, but NOT eternally. Eternal punishment will be proven to be Scripturally, a false belief that makes Christ's victory over death's sting and hell's victory a very ineffectual truth for so many Christians. As will be discussed more fully, around the end of the 1st century professing Christian leaders began using the pagan concepts of hell to keep the poor masses in subjection to power-hungry and often very evil political and religious men and women. Satan has been able to use his false concepts to create a false Christianity as an effective means of enslaving the masses through the tares he has planted within God's church.

This has allowed him to create his counterfeit organized and institutional brand of Christianity, which has also relied upon the mistranslation of key Bible passages to hide the truth on various subjects to be discussed in this Trumpet Sounds teaching series.

In the topical word studies presented, it will be shown from the original languages how *key words from the original scriptural texts* have been mistranslated or poorly translated to promote these false doctrines. Exploring the historical background related to these doctrines will be examined as well. The word studies and subjects covered in this work will be comprehensive but by no means exhaustive. There is so much more that could be written, but due to time and the reader's attention, the goal has been to keep these word studies as brief as possible while still striving to be comprehensive in scope. The reader will also learn, according to Scripture, God's true ordained purpose for hell, which is for hell's inmates to become humble and teachable regarding the truth concerning their sin and God's love, mercy and justice preparing them for God's correction enabling them to bow their knee in genuine repentance.

The Scriptures clearly reveal how hell is a place of preparation for a designated time to be spent in the *Lake of Fire and Brimstone, where hell's inmates go after being humbled. There they will be closely examined, instructed by God himself, and ultimately fully restored.*

Regarding Bible Study References

As an author, Bible teacher, and researcher, it is my heart's desire to impart to all people, and especially to God's believers, a greater and clearer understanding of the truth from His word, as accurately as I am enabled by God's Holy Spirit to do so. I am often asked to share what resources I use in my original Aramaic, Greek and Hebrew word studies for obtaining the ALT (Alternate Literal Translations) used in this book. The Alternate Literal Translations used in my language studies are derived from seven of my favorite go to resources that I list in the Preface of the book, which space will not permit me to include in this teaching article.

*Any other resources used in the book are noted in added footnotes on the pages in which they occur, which again space will not permit me to add in these teaching articles but can be read in their entirety in the online version of the book. Also, to help with obtaining a more accurate grammatical understanding of the original texts, I use the <u>Complete Word Study grammatical notations and the grammatical coded notations from the online Blue Letter Bible</u> as well at... (https://www.blueletterbible.org/search.cfm).

My personal original word studies move away from the English translations and interpretations of the *Latin Vulgate Bible*, from which was used in many of our modern English Bibles are translations, including the King James version. There is no possible way for one single English translation to convey the many applications and layers of truth from God's Word that are contained in the manifold meanings from the original languages.

Thus, readers often miss out on the fuller impact of truth found within familiar verses of Scripture because the reader is accustomed to understanding a verse the same way every time they read or hear it quoted. There are, without a doubt, various shades of meaning in the original languages that paint many more literal, detailed perspectives and insights. Great care, however, is given to defining words as related to the context from which the word or words are taken. In my writing ministry, I have learned the importance of following a very important literary principle, especially when it comes to accurately communicating Scriptural topics and texts contained in my books.

Thus, it is also important to understand that the original meanings of the *keywords* used are according to the following principle for interpretation: I use this principle to discern if what I am reading or studying is simply a <u>pretext</u> or an <u>accurate text</u>. The principle for interpretation I use states: When reading a text Determine the <u>context</u>, which must be supported by the <u>co-text</u>; otherwise there is a danger of the text becoming a <u>pretext</u>. To help clarify this Principle for interpretation, I have defined the terms used in the above statement...

<u>TEXT</u> ... is anything that communicates meanings (such as ideas, explanations, or interpretations) to the one who examines (reads or hears) the text.

TEXT CONTAINS...

<u>CONTEXT</u> ... which are the details that inform and help readers understand the <u>intent</u> or <u>meaning</u> of a text which is being communicated.

WHEN CONTEXT IS LACKING...

<u>CO-TEXT</u> ... are other texts (corroborating information such as passages of Scriptures) relating to a particular text (such as a passage of Scripture) that provides additional support for the *context and helps to further determine and confirm accurate understanding or interpretations of the text*.

WITHOUT CO-TEXT THIS CREATES...

<u>PRETEXT</u> ... which means to communicate something that is not accurate. A pretext may be based on a half-truth or develop in the context of a text a misleading supposition, or fabrication and can be used to contradict or conceal the true context, or interpretation, meaning, and intent of a text.

It always surprises and saddens me how many professing Christians will not go beyond what is written in their King James Bible or other preferred translations for fear of being deceived by alternate literal translations that may contradict or do not appear in their favorite English versions.

God's people in this place forget that the Holy Spirit is the <u>inspirer</u>, <u>interpreter</u>, and <u>revealer</u> of God's Word. There are also portions of the Bible that have been "sealed up" for a specific time in which they are to be revealed by God, as the Prophet Daniel was told:

Daniel 12:4

"But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and <u>seal</u> the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and then <u>knowledge</u> shall increase." (concerning what was sealed)

Therefore, if any do not want their heart to be enlarged by having their knowledge of God's Word increased through understanding alternate literal translated word meanings from the original sacred texts, then as the Apostle Paul said:

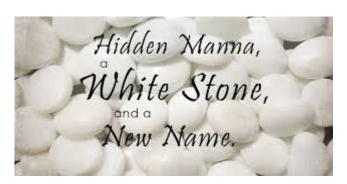
1 Corinthians 14:38

But if anyone is ignorant (refuses to recognize the truth), let him be ignorant (continue to lack knowledge). (Parenthesis mine for contextual clarity).

I pray, dear reader, that you will carefully and prayerfully meditate upon what is set forth in this study; and that most of all, you will do your own research in light of what has been presented in order to gain a deeper and clearer personal understanding as to what God is revealing to his people in these end times. As the Bible tells us, faith comes by hearing God personally speak to us from his word.

Revelation 2:17

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit is saying unto the churches; To him that overcomes will I give to eat of the <u>HIDDEN MANNA</u>, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knows except he that receives it.



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CHAPTER 1: Humanity's Journey Through the Ages

Ephesians 2:7

That in the <u>ages to come</u> he might shew the exceeding riches of His grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

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One of the most frequently asked questions that people have regarding the mercy, justice, and love of God is: "If God is so merciful, fair, and loving, why in the world would He allow all the evil that is in the world to continually cause such horrible pain, suffering, and sorrow to those He says He loves?"

For a long time, even as a Christian, I was among the many who didn't really have an answer to this question that truly satisfied me, especially, when seemingly "good people" can have such "bad things" happen in their lives. Many Christians seem to have some very pat—but very speculative and unbiblical—answers to this question, which most just accept unquestioningly. However, many like me, are being awakened to truths previously unknown.

Knowledge has definitely been increasing throughout the progression of the ages and especially in these end times, just as the prophet Daniel prophesied it would.

God is unsealing His mysteries that have been hidden throughout the ages from the majority of humanity, including from His own people, mainly because they live lives that are not sanctified lives; and therefore, people are not able to clearly discern the truth when they do hear it. The prophet Daniel said this...

Daniel 12:4, 9-10

4 Keep this prophecy a secret; seal up the book until the time of the end, when many will rush here and there, and knowledge will increase. 9 " But he said, "Go now, Daniel, for what I have said is kept secret and sealed up until the time of the end. 10 Many will be purified, cleansed, and refined (sanctified) by these (prophesied) trials. But wrongdoers will also continue in their wrongdoing, and none of them will understand. Only those who are wise (i.e. the refined ones) will know what it means. (i.e. they will know what has been sealed up and hidden) ALT (Alternate Literal Translation, underlined emphasis mine)

The apostle Paul also made this statement concerning his ministry being one of explaining God's secret plan to us:

Ephesians 3:9

I was chosen to explain to everyone this mysterious plan that God, the Creator of all things, had kept secret from the beginning. NLT

The secret that has been hidden from the beginning has a lot to do with the answer to the question as to WHY God allowed sin and suffering to enter this world to begin with and allows it to continue on and seemingly, to get even worse with each passing day. The main reason for this is because... GOD HAS A TWO-FOLD ULTIMATE PLAN...TO SAVE AND RESTORE HIS ENTIRE CREATION AND TO ENSURE THAT ITS HISTORY IS "NEVER" REPEATED!

Acts 3:21

For He (Jesus) must remain in heaven until the time for the <u>final restoration</u> of all things, as God promised long ago through all his holy prophets.

The <u>first part</u> of God's two-fold plan is to reveal to the angelic principalities and powers His *ultimate plan of saving all sinners from God's wrath ...*

Romans 5:8-9

8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us (created beings), in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we (created beings) shall be saved out from (the existing) wrath through Him. 10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, how much more, having now been reconciled, we (humanity) shall be saved by His life. ALT

Ephesians 3:7-11

7 I became a minister according to the gift of the grace of God given to me ... 8 this grace was given, that I should preach among the heathen Pagan nations the unsearchable riches of Christ, 9 to give enlightenment and understanding that all are to share in the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden by God who created all things through Jesus Christ; 10 God's planned purpose in all this was to use the church (i.e. sanctified human holy servants of Christ) to make known God's manifold wisdom (truth) to all the (angelic) principalities and powers in the heavenly places. 11 Down through the ages it was the plan, which was carried out through Christ Jesus our Lord. ALT (Alternate Literal Translation, emphasis mine)

Why would God want His Church to reveal His hidden eternal plan of salvation and ultimate restoration of all things to the angelic powers? Answer: Because as will be discussed in more detail later, Lucifer, also called Satan (i.e., the accuser), was a high-ranking angel who was the FIRST created being from the very beginning to become a sinner. As the Bible reveals, he (the Devil, Lucifer/Satan) was responsible for the deaths of Adam and Eve and every succeeding generation up to this point in earth's history.

John 8:44

He (i.e. the Devil/Satan) was a murderer from the beginning.

He was also responsible for the imprisonment of the fallen angels and God wants not only humanity, but also his angelic host to understand His plan, for His appointed ages to ultimately end in salvation and restoration and most of all total and eternal Victory over all sin and death.

Jude 1:6

And I remind you of the angels who did not stay within the limits of authority God gave them but left the place where they belonged. God has kept them securely chained in prisons of darkness, waiting for the great day of judgment.

In order for God's NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH to come forth, in which sin and death can no longer exist, God planned for the existing ages to teach both humanity and the angelic beings, (also called the "sons of God") ... through experiencing the truth concerning sin and its horrible and deadly consequences, that God must ultimately be all in all when all creation is finally restored.

1 Corinthians 15:24,28

Then comes the end, when He (Jesus) delivers the (fully evangelized and cleansed millennial) kingdom to God the Father... when all things will have become subject to Him... then God will be all in all. (Alternate Literal Translation, emphasis mine)

At that point, no longer will God's creation Have the ability to be deceived and enticed into sin, for God will be all and fill all with His nature, which is incapable of sinning. What a glorious future God's creation has awaiting them!

Revelation 21:1-6

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also, there was no more sea...Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband... And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God... And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." ... Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful." And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End.

God's Ongoing Plan for the Ages

Those who are sincere students of the Bible (rather than students of the opinions and speculations of their favorite denomination or minister) will discover that the Bible is a book that reveals God's ultimate plan for bringing ALL of His creation into a state of ETERNAL VICTORY, which results in His entire creation's ultimate glorious and ETERNAL PERFECTION. God's plan for His appointed ages is *all-inclusive*, which means it includes EVERY human and angelic being that was ever created by God. Yes, as the Bible reveals, this includes ALL of the fallen angels (including Lucifer) and without exception, ALL living creatures. His ultimate goal has been and continues to be...

Revelation 21:5

Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I am making and will continue to make All THINGS new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful." ELT (Extended Literal Translation with Greek grammar)

The phrase "I make all things new," as it reads in the KJV, literally in the original Greek text, is grammatically in the present indicative mood. This means the action of God by making all things new is presently, continually, or repeatedly happening. Understanding the word new makes this a very exciting revelation indeed. This is because the Greek word translated as "new" is NT:2537 kainos (kahee-nos'); and according to the CWSB (Complete Word Study Bible), it means newly made quality, or not impaired by time or use. It also refers to something being new, foreign, or different and being better, superior, as well as renewed, changed, or transformed.

Thus, through God's appointed ages, this has been the present and continuous renewal process of God. Some things in life are better than they were in past ages, such as new advances in scientific technology. This also applies to the spiritual transformation of those responding to God's calling (invitation) to put on the new man, which is transformed by God's ever present and continuous renewal process in their lives.

Colossians 3:10

And (2532) <u>having put on</u> (aptm1746) the (art3588) <u>new</u> (ajn3501: what has recently come into existence) man <u>which is renewed</u> (art,ppmp341: which has been made qualitatively new/transformed) <u>in</u> (pre1519) knowledge (an,nn1922) <u>after</u> (pre2596) the <u>image</u>(an,nn1504) <u>created</u> (art,apta2936) <u>by him:(ppro846)</u>. CWSB (Complete Word Study Bible... Alternate Literal Translation in parenthesis after Strong's #).

<u>The Complete Word Study Dictionary</u> makes a distinction between the two words translated as <u>new</u> and <u>renewed</u> in the above (Colossians 3:10) text. It states the following:

"In Colossians 3:10, Paul uses both néos (NT:3501) refers to recently made new, or to restore or make new again. When Paul refers to the new nature the believer puts on, he states this new nature is anakainoúmenos (NT: 341), meaning: qualitatively new. Man on his own can only become neos (reform or improve himself by making new changes apart from God). These "new" (changes), which are néos NT 3501 "new" (i.e. like starting a new weight loss diet) – referring to new as current or recent (but not necessarily long lasting); it is also translated as being "young" because of the not fully developed or unsettled attitude of that age (period) of life. But by God's renewal activity, man becomes NT:2537 "kainós" (kahee-nos'); some qualitatively NEW or transformed (i.e. developing spiritual maturity), because there is an impartation from God of His divine new eternal nature into humanity." End of quote

For example, the apostle Paul uses the Greek word *NT*:2537 "*kainós - new"* – *in the following verses...*

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore (5620) if *any *man (idpro1536: anyone) be in (pre1722) Christ, (an,nn5547) he is a NEW (pr/an,aj2537: kainos) creature: (an,nn2937) old*things (art,ajn744) are passed *away; (aina3928) behold, (2400) all*things (art,ajn3956) are become (pfi1096) NEW. (pr/an,aj2537: kainos). CWSB (Complete Word Study Bible... ALT Alternate Literal Translation in parenthesis after Strong's #).

2 Peter 1:4

Whereby (pre1223/repro3739) are given (pfip1433) unto us (ppro2254) exceeding great (cd/art,ai3176) and (2532) precious (an,aj5093) promises: (an,nn1862) that (2443) by (pre1223) these (depro5130) ye might be (asbm1096: have the opportunity to be) partakers of the (pr/an, ajn 2844 companions of) the divine (an,aj2304) nature, (an,nn5449) having escaped (apta 668: partaking causes an escape from) the (art3588) corruption (nn5356) that is in (pre1722 through) the world (an,nn2889) through (pre1722) lust. (an,nn1939) CWSB (Complete Word Study Bible)

Therefore, (as the Hebrew and Greek grammatical construction confirms), God <u>in every age</u> has always been and will continue to be <u>making all things new</u> so that His created beings have an ongoing opportunity to <u>escape the corruption</u> that has been present throughout God's appointed ages. There are <u>seven distinct AGES</u> that are revealed in the Bible that will be discussed throughout the book. However, these seven appointed ages are NOT to be seen as the <u>seven Dispensations</u> that are taught by J. N. Darby or C. I. Scofield. Their dispensationalist views of the ages fail to grasp a clear understanding of <u>God's appointed ages</u>, leading to humanity's ultimate victory within His new heavens and new earth. To begin with, we must understand that the Greek word "<u>aion</u>" mistranslated eternal or everlasting means an <u>AGE not eternal</u> ... An "age" is a distinct length or period of time, which <u>has a beginning and an end</u>. It is also defined as: the length of time that someone or something exists, such as the industrial age or the lifetime of a person. One thing the Bible makes very clear is that GOD is the <u>ALPHA</u> (i.e. the one who begins/the author) and the <u>OMEGA</u> (i.e. the one who finishes/ends) all things (including ages:)...

Revelation 1:8

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the <u>Beginning</u> and the <u>End</u>," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Hebrews 12:2

Looking unto Jesus the <u>author</u> and <u>finisher</u> of our faith.

God's Seven Appointed Ages

These "<u>seven appointed AGES</u>" are again not to be confused with the unbiblical teachings associated with dispensationalist teachings. Following are the '7' ages:

- 1. The pre-adamic age ... this is the age that began with the creation of the universe (heavens/universes) mentioned in (Genesis 1:1) up to the six days of the re-creation of the earth that began in (Genesis 1:2) which includes the creation of Adam.
- **2.** The age from Adam to Noah's flood... Is said to be 1656 years.
- **3.** The age from Noah's flood to Jesus Christ's First coming... According to the genealogical accounts in the Bible, it is said to be 2,000 years from Noah to Jesus.
- **4.** The age from Jesus Christ's ascension to his second coming (includes the church age and tribulation appointed events, i.e., "times of the Gentiles" (Luke 21:24)
- 5. The glorious millennial (1000 year) age of the establishment of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ's rule... which subdues and puts down all opposition to His authority upon the earth.

- 6. The great white throne judgment age is when the resurrected spiritually dead unbelievers are judged and sentenced to the Lake of Fire to be restored by God... The length of time between this 6th age of judgment and the last 7th age, when the NEW heavens and earth come into being, is unknown.
- 7. This last 7th age begins with Jesus delivering up His earthly millennial Kingdom given to Him by God His Father, for He will have destroyed all earthly opposition to his rule and reign. God's last enemy death (which literally denotes separation from God, thus the spiritually dead in hell/grave will be cast into the lake of fire).

Revelation 20:14

And death also hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Thus, as will be discussed throughout this book, when the last created being in the Lake of Fire *overcomes death...* their separation from God ends and they are restored to life by bowing their knee and confessing with their mouth their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord. Those who overcome will sit together with Jesus to rule over the new heavens and new earth that come into existence among all future ages. (*These things are explained in greater Scriptural detail in the remaining pages of this book.*)

Revelation 3:21

To him who <u>overcomes</u> I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

Romans 14:11-12

For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God... So, then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

1 Corinthians 15:24-26

Then comes the end, when He (Jesus) delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all (opposing) authority and power... For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet... The last enemy that will be destroyed is death. (Parentheses are mine for greater literal clarity).

In the Beginning ... <u>The FIRST AGE</u>: this is the *period when time began, when God* <u>first created</u> the "<u>heavens</u>" before He created the earth:

Genesis 1:1

(Literal definitions and explanations are contained in the parenthesis following the strongest number)

In the beginning (pp,cs,nn7225: the chief, highest ranking or start(er) of all things was) God (pl,nn430) created (qpf1254: grammatically Qal Perfect verb stem, simply indicates what is actually completed)...

(853 pointing to) the <u>heavens</u> (df,du,nn8064: denotes a plural number of heavens or universes) and (wcj853) the earth (df,nn776 physical land, territory or ground). CWSB (from the <u>Complete Word Study Bible</u> with grammatical codes and Strong's numbers)

The Bible also states that in this 1st (starting/beginning) AGE the **angels existed in the heavens before the creation of the earth** because the Bible says they rejoiced and shouted for joy when the earth was originally created (during that 1st age). This then alludes to the fact that the earth, in its originally created state, must have been a most beautiful and joyous place for these already created angels if it caused them to rejoice over the earth's creation...

Job 38:4, 7
"Where were you when I laid the foundation of (or founded) the earth? ... (during this time) when the morning stars (high ranking angels) sang together, and all the sons of God (subordinate angels) shouted for joy. (Parentheses are mine for greater literal clarity).

The Bible also reveals that there are high-ranking angels,⁴ among them having one named Lucifer, who fell into the sin of pride, causing a rebellion in heaven, so that eventually 1/3 of the angels followed him in his rebellion against God. According to God's <u>foreknowledge</u>, He knew Lucifer would rebel and cause the fall of many angels.

Therefore, there would be a need for the creation of the earth, which was an aspect of God's plan for restoring the fallen angels. Again, keep in mind, before lucifer's **rebellion the earth had already been created** in it's perfect and wonderfully beautiful state, in anticipation by God for the fall of Lucifer and the fallen angels. The Bible also tells us, because of this rebellion, Lucifer and the angels who followed Him, were cast down from their **heavenly** dwelling place and were banished to dwell upon God's beautiful originally created earth.

Isaiah 14:12-15

"How you have <u>fallen from heaven</u>, O Lucifer - <u>star of the morning</u>, son of the dawn! <u>You have been cast down to the earth</u>, You who weakened the nations (that eventually came into being in the following ages, as the Bible clearly reveals). (Parenthesis added for contextual clarity).

Revelation 12:7-9

And in the past (Aorist verb tense: indicates action that happens at a specific point in time in the past.) there was a war in heaven; Michael and his messengers did war against the dragon (originally known as Lucifer), and ...

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the dragon did war, also his messengers, but they did not prevail, nor was their place found any more in the heaven. And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—who was thrown down TO THE EARTH, also his angels were thrown down with him. ALT (Alternate Literal Translation)

Just how long Lucifer and his fallen angels were upon the earth, before the six days of earth's re-creation in the <u>SECOND AGE</u> that began in (Genesis 1:2), is not known. However, we do know that the beautiful earth that God originally created in the <u>FIRST AGE</u>, when time began, before the fall of Lucifer and the fallen angels to earth, was the reason the earth did not stay in its originally perfect and beautiful state, when God created it in (Genesis 1:1).

After Lucifer and the rebellious angels were made to leave heaven and live upon the earth (Genesis 1:2) reveals the earth was seen as being "without form" and "void" which in the original Hebrew means it became a place of confusion and undistinguishable ruin.

Genesis 1:2

2 And the earth (wcj, df, nn 776 natural physical land) was (qpf 1961 hayah: was caused to become) without form, (nn 8414 tohuw (to'-hoo): a place of confusion) and void; (wcj, nn 922 bohuw (bo'-hoo): a worthless undistinguishable ruin) and darkness (wcj,nn2822 misery, destruction, death, ignorance, sorrow) was upon (pr5921) the face (pl,cs,nn6440 surfaces of the ground) and of the deep. (nn8415 deepest parts of the earth) CWSD (Complete Word Study Dictionary)

Therefore, the above description is <u>not how the earth was originally created</u>. As depicted in (Job 38:4,7) the beautiful state causing the angels rejoice and sing praises to God was the original creation of the earth in (Genesis 1:1) and had to have taken place before (Genesis 1:2), when Lucifer and the angels fell into sin by their rebellion to God, and the earth became a heap of rums. As previously stated, God, through His divine foreknowledge saw that Lucifer and the fallen angels were going to need a place to be banished to when they would be cast out of heaven. So, the question then becomes, why would God choose the beautiful earth he originally created to become their place of habitation, knowing beforehand these fallen beings would bring destruction and ruin upon it?

As stated previously God, in his manifold wisdom, allowed this destruction for the sake of the angels who had not participated in the rebellion. In order to prevent them from rebelling, God chose them to be first hand *witnesses of* ...

the awful consequences of the death and destruction, resulting from the sin of rebellion. His angelic host also needed to witness God's future creation called "humanity," which would not be a creation of divine beings as they were, but would still be able to overcome evil and temptation through their love and trust in God. These mortal human beings were going to need a savior in order to overcome Satan and his rebellious hordes, who were out to destroy all God had created. They especially wanted to see the select group from among humanity called the "church," who were chosen to reveal God's eternal plan and purpose for his creation...

Ephesians 3:10-11

10 [The purpose is] that through the church the complicated, many-sided wisdom of God in all its infinite variety and innumerable aspects might now be made known to the angelic rulers and authorities (principalities and powers) in the heavenly sphere. 11 This is in accordance with the terms of the eternal and timeless purpose which He has realized and carried into effect through [the person of] Christ Jesus our Lord. AMP

Again, because of God's foreknowledge, He knew humanity was going to become ruined and lost through Satan's ability to bring death (which literally means separation from God) through sin and deception into the lives of humanity. Therefore, God planned for the redemption of humanity before he even created or founded the universe...

1 Peter 1:19-20

19... the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot... 20 He indeed was <u>foreordained before the foundation of the universe</u> (i.e. <u>before</u> the <u>first pre-Adamic age</u>). ALT (Alternate Literal Translation)

Therefore, God Himself decided to be the eternal Savior even BEFORE TIME BEGAN, which was in the **first pre-Adamic age**. He considered and planned out every detail for His work for all of humanity's **redemption**, **reconciliation**, and **complete restoration** from SIN and DEATH. Ultimately, in the end, not one of his created beings would be lost eternally, as will be a scriptural ongoing topic throughout this book. God's plan included using the seven AGES to accomplish this His everpresent and continuing process is to **make all things new** as the ages progress. As mentioned, God also predetermined and planned before He created the world that **all** His family... which includes the angels and humanity, would be reconciled and...

restored to God by coming under the authority of Jesus Christ. By bringing everything in heaven and on earth together under the authority of Christ—we are ensured that sin and death will never again be able to exist.

Ephesians 1:13-14

13 And now you also after hearing the truth, the Good News that God saves you, and when you believe in Christ, he identifies you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago... 14 The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us the inheritance (of our adoption and eternal life) he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. He did this so we would praise and glorify him. ALT

Humans will praise God and live a life that glorifies Him when they truly understand the <u>Good News</u> of God's ultimate restoration of all humanity, and that ...anytime, anyone, anywhere, whether it be now or in the afterlife through the cleansing baptism of fire in the *Lake of Fire*, all will come to understand the truth and become a believer in Christ.

This is what God has promised and purchased for every believer whenever they possess genuine belief in Jesus Christ. How then can God's creation possibly do anything but praise and glorify him when this truth becomes a reality for them!! In all of this, God had humanity's transformation from sin to holiness in view. The GOOD NEWS of the full Gospel of Christ, then, is that humanity's journey through the ages has been <u>pre-determined</u> to end in <u>ultimate victory</u>, because of God our Father's great mercy and grace ...

2 Timothy 1:9

He has saved <u>us</u> (HUMANITY) and invited us to enter into a holy life — not because of anything we do, but because of <u>his own plan</u>, appointed before the beginning of time, because of His own grace. This grace was given to us, by Christ Jesus (i.e., by dying on the cross on our behalf). —ALT

What God has determined <u>before time even began</u> WILL BE FULFILLED ... which is the ultimate reconciliation of all humanity.

Isaiah 46:9-10

Remember the former things of old, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me... Declaring the END from the BEGINNING, And from ancient times things that are not yet done, Saying, 'My counsel shall stand, And I will do all My pleasure.'

By examining the grammatical content for the text in (John 3:16-17) a very familiar text for most Christians in which the way for humanity's ultimate restoration is made very clear...

John 3:16-17

16 For God so loved the <u>WORLD</u> that He gave His only begotten Son, that <u>whoever BELIEVES</u> IN HIM (the way) <u>should not</u> (a better grammatical translation is: "will not or will never") <u>perish</u> but have everlasting life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him <u>might be</u> (literal grammar...) IS SAVED.

The truth is more accurately revealed by <u>understanding this text's</u> <u>grammatical parts which are: (asbp)</u> *aorist subjunctive passive. The Breakdown for this is as follows...*

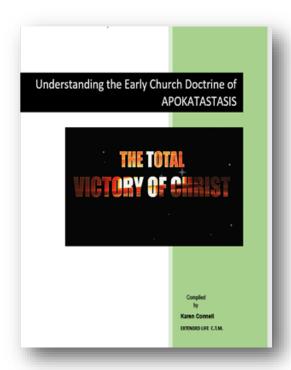
- •AORIST (the) tense: of the verb action (i.e. in this text it is that of believing). It refers to the reality of an event or action, rather than the time when it took place. Therefore, it is not when a human being believes, (whether in this life or in the after life), rather it emphasizes the reality of the event of the verb (i.e. believing).
- •SUBJUNCTIVE (sb) mood: The action (i.e. of salvation) is described as dependent upon the occurrence of <u>conditional circumstances</u> (i.e. the context of the text reveals the conditional circumstance is that of <u>believing</u> ... in Jesus Christ.
- •PASSIVE (p) voice: Represents the text's subject (i.e. the context reveals this as: ALL the world) as the recipient of the action (i.e. of salvation).

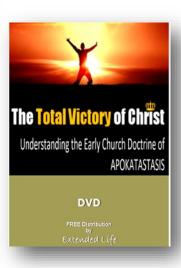
The Apostle Paul preached, that God's glorious mercy will ultimately triumph and *lead every person from Adam on ...* into ultimately experiencing His wonderful mercy and grace!

Romans 11:32-33

For God has INCLUDED EVERYONE (i.e. Jew or gentile to be) held captive by their unbelief and disobedience so he could have mercy ON EVERYONE... Oh, how great are God's riches and wisdom and knowledge! How impossible it is for us to understand his decisions and his ways! ALT

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