

OUR DESTINY

I'd like to share a few thoughts with you about our destiny and our becoming what God created us to be in Christ.

I've lived my whole life in the United States of America. The land of the free and the home of the brave, where you can become whatever you want to be and be successful at it.

If what we were created for is all about success in this world system, acclaim from other people, large bank accounts, more cool stuff than we'd ever need, along with wonderful homes and families this would probably be enough to qualify as a really great life.

The problem is we were never created for this.

This entire world system is a product of the fall of Man. Satan who was a big deal in heaven wanted to be exalted like God and was cast out of heaven. He borrowed the body of a serpent and deceived Eve by telling her that independence from God was the thing that she really needed and she didn't need to submit to God anymore. She could be like God. Adam bit the lie too.

Well, It didn't quite work out as it was promised. It actually produced separation from God, death and the curse of living under Satan's control.

Romans 6 says that whoever you submit yourself to that's who servant you are. They submitted to Satan's lie which allowed him to usurp their god-given authority over this planet that God gave them in Genesis 1:26.

We've lived our whole lives under the results of this fall.

A lot of people, Christians especially, don't like the idea that Satan is the God of this world. Here's three scriptures that confirm that he actually is.

1st John. The whole world lies under the evil one

Ephesians 2. We lived under the influence of the Demonic spirit that rules this world

Luke 3. If you bow down to me I will give you all of these this world and its Glory because they've been handed over to me.

There's another deception that's part of this fall. I hear people say, this is my life and I can do whatever I want with it. It's completely under my control.

Actually if you step back and think about it for a minute,

Our physical life is made up of involuntary body functions. Everything from blinking and blood clotting to our heart pumping blood and breathing. If we were actually in control of all those functions, we'd die the first time we fell asleep.

Well I've painted the pretty bleak picture of the current status of this world. I'll share with you what God had to say about all this.

The fall of Man created a lot of negative circumstances for us. Separation from God, death, and the curse of living under Satan's control.

But then there was God's Solution.

He came to Earth and became a man born of a woman and lived a sinless life. This allowed Jesus to be the perfect sacrifice to pay Adams penalty for sin. Satan was cast out as the authority of this world and Jesus' perfect sacrifice brought man back into complete oneness with God.

I heard a quote recently that said the two most important days in a person's life are the day that he's born and the day that he figures out why.

Under the curse man floundered around not knowing what he was created for. Man became self-centered, and went about creating a life of his own making separate from God.

Men came up with a 1001 things to do with their lives, none of which were the ones that they were created for. Men justified this by saying but I'm very successful. If you're successful being something you weren't created to be, how successful are you really?

You can take a crystal punch bowl and change the oil in your car. It'll work. But it'll never fulfill what it was actually created for.

Man was created as the Supreme creation of God to manifest his life throughout the entire Earth.

I'd like to share a vision that God gave me that really made God's solution to our problem very clear to me.

I was spending some time with God one day and I had a vision that changed my perception and my life.

I was sitting in a dark one-room apartment watching television. I was watching some kind of sporting event. Next to my chair I had to orange crates standing on edge. You know the little balsa wood crates that they carry fruit into the stores with. Across the top of the crates I had a Fender Stratocaster guitar laying strings down. I was using the back of the guitar as a little end table. I had some popcorn and a beer sitting on the back of the guitar.

In the vision, all of a sudden the door flew open and someone walked in. It was Eric Clapton, who in my opinion is one of the best guitar players on the planet. He screamed at me and said what are you doing? He proceeded to knock the popcorn and the beer off the guitar and wiped off the back of it. He smiled and held that guitar like it was a newborn baby.

I was really confused as to what was going on, until he plugged in that guitar and began to play. I was mystified at the music that he made. That guitar made a wobbly little end table for me. But when it was in the hands of a master musician the result was absolutely astounding.

After this vision the Holy Spirit began to share with me that apart from God, whatever man decides to do on his own, it's like my wobbly little end table. It may work a little bit but it's not what we were created to be.

But when we submit our lives into the Master's Hand he can play us as his very own instrument so that the whole world can know his greatness.

Many of us have bought Satan's lie that submitting to God is some kind of bondage or oppression and that it could never lead to joy and fulfillment in our Lives.

The reality is, that being in the father's hands doesn't oppress us, it actually empowers us to be what we were actually created to be.

We were created to be the expression of God's love and God's life in this earth to every tribe, every people group, and every nation so that his glory can fill the whole Earth.

Let's submit ourselves into the father's hands so that he can use us to play what this whole world desperately needs to hear, a love song from him.

God bless you.

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