OUR COVENANT RELATIONSHIP

Ever since Man's first day on Earth, his life has become increasingly more complicated. In this modern world, there are so many more things to focus on, deal with, and distract us from the fact that God originally created Man to live in His presence in an unbroken covenant relationship with Him.

Adam walked and talked with God in the Garden and

God committed to be Adam's reality, his life, his health and the supply of everything he needed. But, because of Satan's lie and Adam and Eve's disobedience, their existence on this Earth became a curse to them, living separated from God's life.

God could not accept His greatest creation, living apart from Him, so He initiated His plan to redeem them back into His family.

God made a covenant with Man to never leave him or forsake him and to love Him with His eternal unwavering Love. God actually IS love and He couldn't be any other way towards Man.

When His people broke His covenant and found themselves in bondage to Egypt for 430 years He sent Moses to deliver them.

After their miraculous deliverance God spoke to them.

'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings, and BROUGHT YOU TO MYSELF. 'Now then, if you will indeed OBEY MY VOICE and KEEP MY COVENANT, then you shall be My own possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine; and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' Exodus 19.4

God's plan was not to change their address from Egypt to Canaan. It wasn't to change their circumstances from oppressed slaves to land and home owners.

This scripture says that He brought them to Himself. He was restoring their unbroken relationship with Him and restoring His covenant with them.

God delivered the Law through Moses to picture their coming Messiah Who would be the ultimate sacrifice to completely redeem Mankind back into oneness with Himself.

God's ultimate plan, the Gospel of the Kingdom that Jesus preached and manifested, restored Man's broken relationship with God, Who is the source of all Life.

Although this world has become a curse to Man, it continually tells us that life on this planet contains a wealth of endless possibilities just waiting for someone with a big dream and a lot of hard work and determination to create a life of their own making that would be the envy of the whole world.

This thinking didn't come from God. It has been created by spiritually dead men living under a curse who are trying to make the curse more meaningful.

God stated the true reality in Psalm 24.1.

The earth is the Lord's and all it contains, the world and all those who dwell in it.

Here is the Father's vision for all of Mankind.

[The Father] has delivered *and* drawn us to Himself out of the control *and* the dominion of darkness and has transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love.

In Whom we have our redemption *through His blood*, [which means] the forgiveness of our sins. Colossians 1.1

Verse 16 continues,

For by Him all things were created, *both* in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things (and that includes us) have been created by Him and for Him.

God created Adam by breathing His eternal life into a pile of mud and made Adam a living being. After the resurrection Jesus appeared in the upper room to the twelve disciples. He breathed on them and said, "receive My Spirit."

And by Him we have been re-created back into oneness with Him by Christ's perfect sacrifice and our death and resurrection with Him. 1 Corinthians 1.30 and Romans 6.1-11

John 1.12 amp explains our re-creation into God's family.

But to as many as did receive *and* welcome Him, He gave the authority (power, privilege, right) to become the children of God, that is, to those who believe in (adhere to, trust in, and rely on) His name—Who owe their birth neither to blood nor to the will of the flesh [that of physical impulse] nor to the will of man [that of a natural father], but to God. [They are born of God!]

God's original intention was not to forgive man's sin and create a whole kingdom of bible students. His intention was to create sons and daughters who would hear His voice, keep His covenant, and live in oneness with their heavenly Father.

We were created to live in a covenant relationship with God and manifest it to this entire world.

God was WITH the Jews under the Law, but under the New Covenant He dwells IN us by His Holy Spirit.

The Apostle Paul asked,

Do you not know that your body is the temple (the very sanctuary) of the Holy Spirit Who lives within you, Whom you have received [as a Gift] from God? You are not your own, You were bought with a price [purchased with a preciousness and paid for, made His own]. So then, honor God *and* bring glory to Him in your body. 1 Corinthians 6.19+ 20

He also encouraged the Colossian believers to change their focus from this world and all of its distractions, to the source of our new life.

He said, if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on the Earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God and when Christ, who is our life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him and glory. Colosians 3.1

The Pharasees in Jesus' day made a life long commitment to keep every jot and tittle of the written law. They asked Jesus, "which is the most important commandment of all." Jesus responded, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart all your soul, and all your might. And the second is like it. You shall love others just as I have loved you." Matthew 22.37

God re-established His eternal covenant with us and Jesus declared our appropriate response to God's covenant love for us. We love Him because He first loved us.

Let's not be distracted. Let's accept and live in our covenant relationship with our Father and be the ambassadors of His Kingdom to everyone on this planet

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