

# Kingdoms of Man

## Part Eighteen

(Longevity)

It is my opinion that the LORD performed a marvelous work in the kingdoms of man. Oh, you do not really care about my opinion. Well, in that case, here is the *opinion* of God.

*And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good.  
And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.*  
(Genesis 1:31)

Since God saw it as being good, who am I to say that it is not? What I can say, though, is this: as a result of mankind's intervention, the worlds of the kingdom of man needed some progressive refinement. The apostle Peter speaks of a portion of the refinement that was done to the worlds of the kingdom of man (or is it, to the kingdoms of the worlds of man?)

*This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance: That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour: Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.*  
(2 Peter 3:1-7)

So, let us take a step back to the time of the apostle. We do this, so that we can move through the final preparations that the kingdoms made, by command of the LORD, to arrive at the world of the kingdoms of man, of now. We want to determine if this current world is also a world that is fitted for destruction. We will not try to plead its case if the Scripture says that this world must pass away for the sake of another. In that case, we will accept its (and our) place in reality as being a part of the flow of reality that the apostle Paul wrote about, here.

*What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? God forbid.  
For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. So then it is not of*

*him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that showeth mercy.*

*For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might show my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth. Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardeneth.*

*Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will?*

*Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus? Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour? What if God, willing to show his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction: And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory, Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?*

(Romans 9:14-24)

But for now, we have placed our mind in the time when the kingdoms of man were host to a portion of the Kingdom of Heaven, in preparation for their sealing in the Kingdom of God. This time is described in the merger, for a time, of earth with Heaven.

*And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.*

*And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.*

*And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.*

*Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?*

*And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.*

(Luke 1:26-35)

The merger, for a time, of earth with Heaven, produced fruit; as was declared by the ancient prophets Isaiah.

*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.*

*The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel.*

(Isaiah 9:6-8)

The merger, for a time, was testified to by the people of the day to which, for the sake of this spiritual exercise, we have transported our mind; which is the day of the Christ, the anointed one.

*Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.*

(Matthew 2:1-2)

The merger, for a time, was fruitful in the body of the child, Jesus of Nazareth, as he discovered and declared the purpose for the merger.

*And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.*

*Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.*

*And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding*

*and answers.*

*And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.*

*And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?*

*And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them.*

*And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.*

(Luke 2:40-52)

The merger, for a time, was projected into the hearts and minds of the people of that day, by a direct action from Heaven.

*And as the people were in expectation, and all men mused in their hearts of John, whether he were the Christ, or not; John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire: Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.*

*And many other things in his exhortation preached he unto the people.*

*But Herod the tetrarch, being reprov'd by him for Herodias his brother Philip's wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done, Added yet this above all, that he shut up John in prison.*

*Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened, And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.*

(Luke 3:15-22)

To insure that there was no reason for claiming that Jesus had given us hearsay type testimony, the LORD had already installed a proof of the mission. The proof of the mission is John the Baptist. John was the carrier of the proof of concept. John's voice was the human seal of the presence of God's majesty and glory in Jesus of Nazareth.

*The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was*

*before me. And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water.*

*And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God.*

*Again the next day after John stood, and two of his disciples; And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God!*

(John 1:29-36)

Then, once the LORD had finished Jesus' preparation for his ministry, a New Age dawned. This New Age had been in preparation from the beginning of the first world of man; home to the first son of God. These are the generations.

*And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age,  
being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was the son of Heli,  
Which was the son of Matthat, which was the son of Levi, which was the  
son of Melchi, which was the son of Janna, which was the son of Joseph,  
Which was the son of Mattathias, which was the son of Amos, which was  
the son of Naum, which was the son of Esli, which was the son of Nagge,  
Which was the son of Maath, which was the son of Mattathias, which was  
the son of Semei, which was the son of Joseph, which was the son of Juda,  
Which was the son of Joanna, which was the son of Rhesa, which was the  
son of Zorobabel, which was the son of Salathiel, which was the son of  
Neri, Which was the son of Melchi, which was the son of Addi, which was  
the son of Cosam, which was the son of Elmodam, which was the son of  
Er, Which was the son of Jose, which was the son of Eliezer, which was the  
son of Jorim, which was the son of Matthat, which was the son of Levi,  
Which was the son of Simeon, which was the son of Juda, which was the  
son of Joseph, which was the son of Jonan, which was the son of Eliakim,  
Which was the son of Melea, which was the son of Menan, which was the  
son of Mattatha, which was the son of Nathan,  
which was the son of David, Which was the son of Jesse, which was the  
son of Obed, which was the son of Booz, which was the son of Salmon,  
which was the son of Naasson, Which was the son of Aminadab, which was  
the son of Aram, which was the son of Esrom, which was the son of  
Phares,  
which was the son of Juda,  
Which was the son of Jacob,  
which was the son of Isaac,*

*which was the son of Abraham,  
which was the son of Thara, which was the son of Nachor, Which was the  
son of Saruch, which was the son of Ragau, which was the son of Phalec,  
which was the son of Heber, which was the son of Sala, Which was the son  
of Cainan, which was the son of Arphaxad, which was the son of Sem,  
which was the son of Noe, which was the son of Lamech, Which was  
the son of Mathusala, which was the son of Enoch, which was the son of  
Jared, which was the son of Maleleel, which was the son of Cainan, Which  
was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth,  
which was the son of Adam,  
which was the son of God.  
(Luke 3:23-38)*

In the true spirit of the announcer, and remembering that I have transported the imagery back to the time of Jesus of Nazareth; I am proud to say that, finally, "We are here." The world is ready to see if it has been designed for the duration, or if it is just another one of the progressive worlds that have existed on the earth, before this time.

What are some of these progressive worlds? To answer that question, I will borrow from the revelations of the prophet Daniel to describe a collection of them. Actually; let me back up in time, a bit. First, let me describe the world that existed before the time that Daniel received his revelation. The beginning of that world is the LORD'S creation of this environment.

*Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth. My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass: Because I will publish the name of the LORD: ascribe ye greatness unto our God. He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.*

*They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of his children: they are a perverse and crooked generation. Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? is not he thy father that hath bought thee? hath he not made thee, and established thee?*

*Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel. For the LORD'S portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance.*

*He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye. As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad*

*her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings: So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.*

*He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might eat the increase of the fields; and he made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock; Butter of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape.*

(Deuteronomy 32:1-14)

The destruction of that world, and the beginning of the first of the series of world of the prophecy of Daniel, is this event.

*Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD his God, and humbled not himself before Jeremiah the prophet speaking from the mouth of the LORD. And he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him swear by God: but he stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart from turning unto the LORD God of Israel. Moreover all the chief of the priests, and the people, transgressed very much after all the abominations of the heathen; and polluted the house of the LORD which he had hallowed in Jerusalem.*

*And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place: But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no remedy. Therefore he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gave them all into his hand.*

*And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes; all these he brought to Babylon. And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.*

*And them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to Babylon; where they were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia: To fulfil the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her sabbaths: for as long as she lay desolate she kept sabbath, to fulfil threescore and ten years.*

(2 Chronicles 36:11-21)

