

Kingdom of God Perpetuation

Knowledge, in and of itself, is marvelous. But, knowledge is even more fulfilling when we can see that what we know and what we do with what we know will endure. Throughout history, there have been questions, and even assaults, on the durability of the way of the LORD. These questions-and, sometimes, assaults--persuade us that we have a better way to follow, in the LORD'S way. Simply put: things that have a history of new assaults against them, have a history of endeavor. This is so because when the history stops being formed, there will be nothing new to assault. This is the type of knowledge that will withstand even the fiercest of nay saying, such as are those psychological barbs that are directed at God.

There are times when some of us say that God does not exist. To that group of people, I dedicate the following Scripture. These are the declared atheists. This Scripture is not just for those people who use the label, atheist. This Scripture is also for folks who declare that God is not a part of a particular situation or circumstance. This Scripture is for those situational atheists, too.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.

The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God. They are all gone aside, they are all together become filthy: there is none that doeth good, no, not one. Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people as they eat bread, and call not upon the LORD.

(Psalm 14:1-4)

This foolishness, of disavowal of God, is not a new thing. In the Beginning, Cain practiced it, in a subtle way. Cain had a pair of God-fearing parents, and, through them, he gained an understanding of the presence of the LORD. At his birth, Cain's mother, Eve, showed her zeal for the LORD. This is the kind of zeal that can serve as a strong motivator for a child, persuading him or her to seek to serve the LORD.

And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD. And she again bare his brother Abel.

(Genesis 4:1-2a)

The LORD endowed Cain and his brother Abel with definitely marketable skills. In fact, one of the major clients of both of them was the LORD. Abel nurtured his relationship with his Most Noble Client. Cain, though, seemed to give only passing attention to the relationship he should have nurtured with the LORD.

And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof.

And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering: But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect.

And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

(Genesis 4:2b-5)

Though warnings were given, Cain chose a path of disavowal of God. For whatever reason, Cain became a situational atheist.

And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

(Genesis 4:6-8)

The LORD'S response to Cain's lack of market sensitivity gives us an introduction to what the attribute, Omnipresent, means. Even more comprehensively, the response shows us that even if there was a logical way of presuming that God does not see something--which there is no possibility of its occurrence in reality--then, one of God's ambassadors will "inform" Him of any human logically-contrived oversight of His.

And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother?

And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?

And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.

And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand; When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.

(Genesis 4:9-12)

It does not matter whether the perceived and human logically-contrived oversight is the product of the mind of an individual or if it is a contrivance of a group of individuals

that have come together in a collective attempt to re-form reality in its image and after its chosen likeness. Neither of these aberrant craftsmen will be able to displace the reality that is of the Kingdom of God.

Among the collective attempts to re-form reality is one that was performed by the children of Israel in the Old Testament time of the prophets. As you will discover as you read it, it too failed.

Then said he unto me, The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is exceeding great, and the land is full of blood, and the city full of perverseness: for they say, The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not. And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, but I will recompense their way upon their head.

(Ezekiel 9:9-10)

We need to be continually mindful of God's grace, as experienced in His **not** penalizing us because of our use of human mental crutches for understanding the LORD. This grace of God involves three attributes of understanding: Omnipresence, Omnipotence, and Omniscience. We need to place and keep this understanding in our mind; because without it, we will not be able to grasp the Powerful Perpetuation that is at the core of the Kingdom of God, flowing out in all directions. A prayer of Moses gives us an introduction to the Perpetuation that God sent forth in the Kingdom of God, as it exercises its power to shape the kingdom of man.

A Prayer of Moses the man of God.

LORD, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up. In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth. For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.

Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance. For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told. The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath. So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Return, O LORD, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy servants. O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Make us glad according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil. Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children. And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

(Psalm 90:1-17)

Let us never forget that we are all dependent on the stability that is in the Kingdom of God, since we will only find our rest in its free flow of blessings to the reality of man. For instance, the physical laws of the universe are offshoots of the Perpetuation that is of the Kingdom of God. What would be our state if, let us say, the physical laws followed their own capricious rules? Let us imagine what would happen if gravity decided to withhold its power. In such an environment, things that should move together would not do so. At such a place, we would fly into the air, only to be dashed afterward to the ground when gravity stopped its tantrum.

Moreover, in thinking of an imagined absence of the Perpetuation that is of the Kingdom of God, on a more abstract level; the capriciousness of the gravity that is in our relationship would not allow civilization to exist. Therefore, if the actual concept of civilization did not exist, then, of course, civilizations could not form. Yes, I know that this is the place where some romances and many political interactions are trying to drive the kingdom of man.

Yes, I know that there are powers of the earth--human and otherwise--that are trying to unhinge the forces that should hold us together. Typically, they try to do this by replacing the forces of the LORD with human dogma, as is in conventions of man. In such cases, the LORD will not allow these assaults to succeed; as such powers of the earth are pressed against the LORD'S gift of Perpetuation.

For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else. I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: I the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that are right.

Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye that are escaped of the nations: they have no knowledge that set up the wood of their graven image, and pray unto a god that cannot save. Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I the LORD? and

there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.

Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

(Isaiah 45:18-22)

So, be confident in the fact that perpetuation does operate in righteousness in the Kingdom of God--of which the kingdom of man is a part. Furthermore, please allow your self to rest in the assurance that perpetuation is fully operative in the Kingdom of Heaven. To help your self arrive at this position, please study the following Scripture. The following Scripture describes the LORD'S consolidation of the fragmentation of the kingdom of man, as initiated from the Kingdom of Heaven. The following Scripture introduces us to the one who is Living Perpetuation. This one is he who delivered a strong dose of Perpetuation, from the Kingdom of Heaven, to the kingdom of man.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

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(Ephesians 1:3-10 . . .)

To accomplish this perpetuation in reality, starting in the kingdom of man on earth, the LORD carved out a man-sized portion of His Attributes--Omnipotence, Omnipresence, and Omniscience--and demonstrated them on earth by the Anointed One. This happened in the time of the transition in the Ages, as we were moving from the Old Testament to the New Age.

Then verily the first covenant had also ordinances of divine service, and a worldly sanctuary. For there was a tabernacle made; the first, wherein was the candlestick, and the table, and the showbread; which is called the sanctuary. And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all; Which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant

overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we cannot now speak particularly.

Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God. But into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people: The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing: Which was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience; Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation.

(Hebrews 9:1-10)

The display of perpetuation that is of God's Anointed One occurred as we were first coming into the benefits of the New Testament.

But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

(Hebrews 9:11-14)

In a message that was delivered in the time when mankind operated under the Old Testament, the LORD said that we would yearn for the time of transition to the New Covenant: *Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power.*

A Psalm of David.

The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies. Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth.

The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek. The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath. He shall judge among the heathen, he shall fill the places with the dead bodies; he shall wound the heads over many countries. He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift up the head.

(Psalm 110:1-7)

The bottom line in the quest for understanding of Perpetuation is that it is we, *people*, collectively, that is the perpetual part of the equation. We must be willing to accept our place in the Kingdom of God, as being the engine that will drive the continuation of this, the LORD'S great Kingdom, throughout all time. This is our accolade and our commandment, both. This is, too, our blessing of everlasting, never interrupted, continuance, in the Kingdom of God.

And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

(Luke 17:20-21)

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Perpetuation is not just a responsibility of the Heavenly citizens. To spread the ever-living message of the LORD is also our responsibility. This is the nature of the Gospel of God. The way that we perform our part in Perpetuation is this: by keeping our mind on the loftier mission to which we have been called--which is, transcendence over our mortal self. When we return, we will explore this more.

For now, here is a preview of the mission that has been assigned to all mankind for the purpose of the transcendence of both the individual and the totality of the kingdom of man. Both of these are covered by the following declarations of the Son of God. They are declarations that Jesus Christ delivered both to individuals and to the world, on behalf of the Father God.

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

(Matthew 28:18-20)

But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you:

