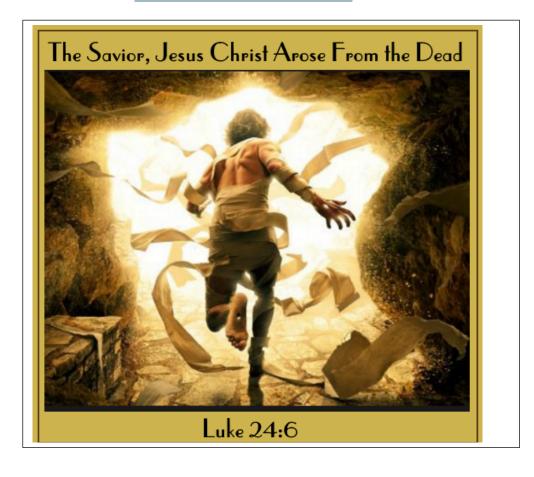


Another Look at Isaíah 53 Starting with Isaíah 52:13-15

Prepared for Believers by Cathy Bentley www.connectedtotheword.com



Isaíah 52: 13-15 Marred more than any Man Will Sprinkle Many Nations

Isaíah 53:1-12 The Arm of the Lord Rejected Despísed, No Beauty in HIm He bore Our Sins

You Must Be Born Again - John 3 Jesus is the Firstborn of Many Difference between First Born & Born Again

What the True Gospel is Not The Gospel According to the Scriptures 1 Corinthians 15:1-3

Did Jesus Die Spiritually?
Did Jesus Become Sin or Was He the Sin Offering?
1 Corinthians 5:21
1 John 3:5
1 Peter 1:19
Hebrews 9:12-14

Psalm 22 - Did God Forsake Jesus Because He Became Sin?

The Alef Tav Code- Messiah in Isaiah 52:10 Also Messiah in Isaiah 53:6

Isaiah 52: 13-15 "Messiah the Suffering Servant"

¹³ Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently, He shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high. ¹⁴ As many were astonied at You; His visage was so marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men: ¹⁵ So shall He sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at Him: for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they consider.

Isaíah Chapter 53

- ¹Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the Arm of the Lord revealed?
- ² For He shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him.
- ³ He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from Him; he was despised, and we esteemed Him not.
- ⁴ Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.
- ⁵ But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.
- ⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.
- ⁷ He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He opened not his mouth.
- ⁸ He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare His generation? For He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of My people was He stricken.
- ⁹ And He made His grave with the wicked, and with the rich in His death; because He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth.
- ¹⁰Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He hath put Him to grief: when You shalt make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.
- ¹¹ He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall My righteous servant justify many; for He shall bear their iniquities.
- ¹²Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, He shall divide the spoil with the strong; because He has poured out His soul unto death: and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors

"Isaíah 53 — <mark>God</mark> Chose <mark>Jesus</mark> to Suffer as Our Sín Bearer"

This most amazing prophecy of Jesus' trials, suffering, and death for our sins is described by Isaiah 750 years before Jesus' birth. Chapter 52:13-15 and Chapter 53

Isaiah Chapter 52

¹³ Behold, My servant shall deal prudently, He shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high. (extolled – lifted up)

John 3:14 "As Moses <u>lifted up</u> the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up"

Numbers 21:7-9 "Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord, and against you; pray to the Lord, that He take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said unto Moses, Make a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looks upon it, shall live. And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived." John 8:28 "Then said Jesus to them, When you <u>have lifted up the Son of man</u>, then shall ye know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father has taught Me, I speak these things." John 12:32 "And I, <u>if I be lifted up</u> from the earth, will draw all men unto Me"

¹⁵ so shall He sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at Him: for that which had not been told them, they shall see: that which they had not heard shall they consider.

Leviticus 16 – The High Priest will enter the Holy of Holies 3 different times to sprinkle the blood of the sacrifice 7 times on the Mercy Seat on the Day of Atonement to purify Israel's sins. Jesus Messiah as our High Priest offered His precious pure blood, once for all Hebrews 9:9-25 For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people ²⁰ Saying, This is the blood of the testament which God has enjoined unto you. ²¹ Moreover He sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. ²² And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. ²³ It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. ²⁴ For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us: ²⁵ Nor yet that He should offer himself often, as the High Priest enters into the Holy Place every year with blood of o

Jesus is both our High Priest forever and God's perfect sacrifice for all

¹⁴ As many were astonished at You; His visage was so marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men:

Isaíah Chapter 53

¹Who has believed our report? And to whom is revealed <mark>the Arm</mark> <mark>of the Lord</mark>?

Isaíah II:1-2 "And there shall come forth a rod (Heb. choter – shoot or sprout) of Jesse; and a Branch (Heb netzer – sprout - Nazarene) shall grow out of his root (Heb geza – stem, root, stump). And the Spírit of the Lord shall rest upon Hím..." (Branch & rod connected to root) Jer 23:5 "Behold the days come, says the Lord, that I will raíse unto David a righteous Branch: a Kíng shall reign and prosper, & shall execute judgment and justice in all the earth.

Zech 6:12-13 (God is speaking about Joshua whose name is Yehoshua prophesying about Jesus) "This man whose Name is The Branch; and He shall grow up out of His place, and He shall build the Temple of the Lord....He shall bear the glory and shall sit and rule upon His throne, He shall be a priest upon His throne."

Acts 13:22-23 "God raised up David to be their King: have found David, the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, which shall fulfill My will. Of this man's seed has God according to His promise raised unto Israel a Savior, Jesus."

Rev 5:5 "......Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll, and to loose the 7 seals thereof."

For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, as a root out of a dry ground: Isaíah II:1.

He has no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, (Isaíah 52:14)

there is no beauty that we should desire Him. (Mark 9:12)

³He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: John 1:10-11 and we hid as it were *our* faces from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

⁴ Surely He has born our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

⁵ But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.

Matthew 8:17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

1 Peter 2:24 "Who His own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes you were healed.

⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

Psalm 119:176 "I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek thy servant; for I do not forget thy commandments" Matthew 15:24 "But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel"

⁷ He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He opened not His mouth.

Matt 27:14 "And he answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly"

Mark 15:5 But Jesus yet answered nothing; so that Pilate marvelled.

Luke 23:9 Then Herod questioned Him in many words; but He answered him nothing

⁸He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare His generation? For He was cut off out of the land of the living: (Daniel 9:26) for the transgression of My people was He stricken.

⁹ And He made His grave with the wicked and with the rich in His death; Matthew 27:57-60 because He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth.

1 Peter 2:22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:

10 Yet it pleased God to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief: when You shall make an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, 2 Corinth 5:21

He shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.

He shall see of the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied: by His knowledge shall My righteous servant justify many; Romans 5:18; 1 John 2:1 for He shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil among the strong; because He poured out His soul undo death; and He was numbered with the transgressors; Mark 15:28; Luke 22:37; and He bare the sin of many, and He made intercession for the transgressors

Romans 8:34 "Who is he that condemns? It is Christ that died, year ather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. Hebrews 7:25 Wherefore He (Jesus) is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever lives to make intercession for them.

He Bare our Sins - He Did not become Sin - He Became the Sin Offering

The misunderstanding comes from this verses: 2 Corinthians 5:21 "God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God"

- #1. Jesus did not become sin itself: that denies all of Scripture. Jesus Christ is the One in whom there is no sin (1 John 3:5), who commits no sin (1 Peter 2:22), and who is holy, blameless, and pure (Mark 1:24; Acts 3:14; Revelation 3:7). For Jesus to "become" sin, even for a moment, would mean He ceased to be God. But the Word declares Jesus as "the same yesterday, today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). He was and is and always will be the Second Person of the Godhead (John 1:1).
- #2. Jesus was never a sinner. Pilate and the Pharisees all knew He had no guilt. "And though they found in him no guilt worthy of death, they asked Pilate to have him executed" (Acts 13:28).
- #3. He became the sacrificial Substitute (the Propitiation) for our sin. 1 John 2:2 "He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world." This is known as the doctrine of imputation. To impute something is to attribute it to someone else. This is how Christ paid our sin debt to God. He had no sin in Himself, but our sin was imputed to Him so, as He suffered, He took the just penalty that our sin deserves. At the same time, through faith, Christ's righteousness is imputed to us. Now we can stand before God sinless, just as Jesus is sinless. We are not righteous in ourselves; rather, Christ's righteousness is applied to us.

Isaiah 53:4 "Surely <u>He hath borne</u> our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

Isaiah 53:6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all."

Isaiah 53:10 "....when You shalt make His soul an offering for sin," Isaiah 53:11 "...for He shall bear their iniquities"

Isaiah 53:12 "...and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bare the sin of many...."

1 Peter 2:24 "Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."

Hebrews 4:14-15 "Seeing then that we have a great High Priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not a high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin"

1 John 3:5 "And ye know that He was manifested to take away our sins; and in Him is no sin.

Jesus Died Spiritually and had to Be Born Again is Heresy

Jesus did not Become Sin, He Bore our Sins as the Sin Offering

2 Corinthians 5:21 "For He has made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him.

This verse has inspired such debate among theologians over the years. Jesus did not actually become sin itself, instead. He bore our sins on His body as the sin offering! The Hebrew word for "sin" is chatta'ah is the same word for "the sin offering." What a great difference this makes!

1 John 3:5 And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins; and in Him is no sin.

1 Peter 1:19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

I Peter 2:22–24 "For even hereunto were you called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth: Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not; but committed Himself to Him that judges righteously: Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes you were healed.

Hebrews 7:26 For such a high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens;

Hebrews 9:12-14 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 a heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies 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 13:8 "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever"

For Jesus to "become" sin, even for a moment, would mean He ceased to be God. . Some teach that Jesus died spiritually and took on the nature of satan (heresy) and was trampled by satan in the grave. Others say He was the greatest of sinners, because all the sins of mankind became His own sins. When Christ suffered in our place and died for us, He became God's perfect sin offering as the sinless Lamb of God. He bore the punishment for *our* sins in His own body (1 Peter 2:24).

Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Every man born on this earth has a sin nature, except Christ. He was born of a virgin and did not inherit Adam's sin nature.

2 Corinthians 5:21 - the doctrine of imputation. To impute is to ascribe or attribute to someone. Our sin was imputed to Christ on the cross. That is where Christ paid our sin debt to God He who had no sin, volunteered to become our substitute and to pay for our sins in Himself!

"Jesus Died Spiritually - JDS Heresy"

A Dangerous/damnable heresy attacks or blasphemes any of these Doctrinal Truths

The Godhead
The Person/Finished Work of Christ
Salvation by Grace through Faith
The Infallible Word of God

A serious false teaching is "Jesus died spiritually on the Cross. This is dangerous and damnable doctrine because it the attacks all 4 foundational truths. JDS teaches that Christ took on Satan's nature damaging the Godhead (1/3 of Godhead became Satanic), The Deity of Christ (Christ was no longer Deity while he was Satanic), and the work of Christ (had to be completed in Hell instead of the Cross). Salvation based on JDS is Not the Gospel.

The Gospel According to Paul 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

"Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;² By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.³ For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;⁴ And that He was buried, and that He rose again the 3rd day according to the scriptures"

The Gospel According to JDS

JDS declares Christ died 2 deaths on the cross: the 1st spiritual and the 2nd physical. Certain Word of Faith teachers added to this wrong doctrine, declaring that Jesus became sin, took on the nature of satan, went to hell and was tortured for 3 days and 3 nights. And that God had to pay a ransom to satan to redeem Jesus from satan's hold on Him in hell.

Their explanation: Because Adam died spiritually, Jesus had to also die spiritually on the cross in order to be able to be the sacrifice for all mankind. They believe and teach that Jesus' shed blood and physical death on the Cross did NOT atone for sin: He had to experience spiritual separation (spiritual death) from the Father, misapplying Psalm 22:1 "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring?

Key Verses Used to Promote JDS

Heb 2:9 "But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.

Isaiah 53:9-10 "And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth."

Matthew 27:45 -46 "Now from the 6th hour there was darkness over all the land unto the 9th hour. And about the 9th hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

2 Corinthians 5:21 "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him"

JDS Pastors" Statements

"Jesus came to redeem mankind (1 Peter 1:18–19) through His efficacious spiritual death on the cross (2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 2:21–24; Isaiah 53:10–12). In the Hebrew of Isaiah 53:9 and the Greek of Col. 2:12 2 deaths are mentioned:

His grave was assigned with wicked men
Yet He was with a rich man in **His DEATHS**, Because He had done no violence,
Nor was there any deceit in His mouth. Is 53:9

The 1st death of the Savior was spiritual as darkness descended upon the cross and the Father poured out our sins upon Him and then judged Him. The great violence of this activity was hidden from the eyes of all He suffered alone in the darkness. Upon completion of His work He said, "It is finished" (John 19:30).

"Do you think that the punishment for our sin was to die on a cross? If that were the case, the two thieves could have paid your price. No, the punishment was to go into hell itself and to serve time in hell separated from God Satan and all the demons of hell thought that they had Him bound and they threw a net over Jesus and they dragged Him down to the very pit of hell itself to serve our sentence."

Now here's the part I want you to get. When He said, "It is finished," on that cross he was not speaking of the plan of redemption -- the plan of redemption had just begun. There were still three days and three nights to be gone through before He went to the throne. "It wasn't a physical death on the cross that paid the price for sin...anybody can do that.

He [Jesus] allowed the devil to drag Him into the depths of hell....He allowed Himself to come under Satan's control...every demon in hell came down on Him

"He [Jesus] tasted spiritual death for every man. And His spirit and inner men went to hell in my place. Can't you see that? Physical death wouldn't remove your sins. He's tasted death for every man. He's talking about tasting spiritual death.

The Spirit of God spoke to me and He said, 'Son, realize this. Now follow me in this and don't let your tradition trip you up.' He said, 'Think this way—a twice-born man whipped Satan in his own domain.' And I threw my Bible down ... like that. I said, 'What?' He said, 'A born-again man defeated Satan, the firstborn of many brethren defeated him.' He said, 'You are the very image, the very copy of that one.' I said, 'Well now you don't mean, you couldn't dare mean, that I could have done the same thing?' He said, 'Oh yeah, if you'd had the knowledge of the Word of God that He did, you could've done the same thing, 'cause you're a reborn man too."

You Must be Born Again - John 3:3-21

- ¹ There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:² The same came to Jesus by night, and said to Him, Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that You do, except God be with Him.
- ³ Jesus answered and said to him, Verily, verily, I say to you Except a man <u>be born again</u>, he cannot see the kingdom of God.
- ⁴ Nicodemus said to Him, How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the 2nd time into his mother's womb, and be born?
- ⁵ Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say to you, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Marvel not that I said to you, <u>You must be born again</u>.⁸ The wind blows where it lists, and you hears the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it comes, and whither it goes: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.
- ⁹ Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be?
- ¹⁰ Jesus answered and said to him, Are you a master of Israel, and know not these things?¹¹ Verily, verily, I say to you, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and you receive not our witness.¹² If I have told you earthly things and you believe not, how shall you believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?¹³ And no man has ascended up to heaven, but He that came down from heaven even the Son of man which is in heaven.¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: ¹⁵ That whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.¹⁶ For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.¹⁷ For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.¹⁸ He that believes on Him is not condemned: but He that believes not is condemned already, because he has not believed in the Name of the only begotten Son of God. ¹⁹ And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.²⁰ For everyone that does evil hates the light, neither comes to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.²¹ But he that does truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God."

Jesus did not need to be born again. Jesus did not die spiritually He is the express image of God: the same yesterday, today and forever. Without sin in Creation, without sin in the flesh while on this earth, without sin in the grave, and now sits at the right hand of God – without sin!

Hebrews 4:15 "For we have not a high priest which can't be touched with the feeling of our infirmities: but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin"

Hebrews 9:28 "So Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for Him shall He appear the 2nd time time without sin unto salvation"

"You Must be Born Again" John 3:3

Are all Christians "born again"? People use words like "born-again Christian" or "born-again believer" is simply because so few people know what the word "Christian" even means.

Saved. Born again. Washed in the blood. Redeemed. Spiritually regenerated. An adopted child of God. A New Creation in Christ

They all speak of the same experience: the moment we know, we put our faith in Him.

The problem is greater than 70 percent of people who casually self-identify as Christian not only have never had that experience, but don't even rightly understand it. So, it should surprise no one that the world has so little idea what the word "Christian" means.

For the record, *not one* of the following things makes you a Christian:

- Believing that God exists.
- Believing that Jesus exists.
- Believing that Jesus is a great prophet, the biblical Messiah, or the Son of God. (Satan doesn't *believe* Jesus is the Son of God, he knows it for a fact.)
- Reading the Bible.
- Going to church every Sunday and praying before every meal.
- Giving 10 percent of your income to a church
- Striving to follow the precepts taught by Jesus in the Gospels (love your enemies, turn the other cheek, etc.)

These 3 truths make us a Christian according to the Scriptures.

A person must hear and understand the message of the Gospel (1Corinthians 15:1-3)

- 1.God sent His one and only Son into the world to live a sinless life as a man in a body of flesh,
- 2. Christ died on the cross to pay sin's eternal penalty,
- 3. Jesus was raised from the grave on the 3rd day following His crucifixion.

The Holy Spirit convicts us of sin,or makes us uncomfortably aware of the fact that my sin has spiritually separated me from a holy, just, loving God. The resulting godly sorrow (repent - metanoeia) succeeds in prompting me to humble my heart before God, change my mind about sin and my need for a Savior. When we ask in simple faith, trusting God for His forgiveness that Jesus purchased with His blood, we become a new creature in Christ. We. Are. Not. The. Same.

At that moment, God forgives us of every sin we have ever committed. We have Christ's perfect righteousness imputed to us by faith. The Holy Spirit seals us until the day of total and complete redemption taking up residence in our spirit to convict us of any future sin. 1John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and to cleanse us form all unrighteousness." Only now, as Word washes us and the Spirit leads us, we are daily being conformed to the image of Christ, because we have been born again of the Spirit. There is no other way!

Jesus Is "The First Born of All Creation" Wrong theology because of confusion between "firstborn" and "born again"

A wrong interpretation of these 2 similar concepts in Scripture has produced not only a wrong understanding that led to a wrong application and produced a much worse theology.

The difference between "first born" prototokos and "born again"

The First born (prototokos) of all Creation, found 6x in the New Testament. We know Jesus as Mary's firstborn (Matt 1:29). Yet as God's firstborn, a whole difference meaning emerges, pointing to Jesus' preeminence in Creation, His superior rank to mortal men, and His Kingdom authority.

- Romans 8:29
- Colossíans 1:15
- Colossíans 1:18
- Hebrews 1:6
- Hebrews 12:23
- Revelation 1:5

Romans 8:29 ²⁸ And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose. ²⁹ For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Colossians 1:12–19

12 Giving thanks unto the Father, which has made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: 13 Who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son: 14 In whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins: 15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: 16 For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him: 17 And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist. 18 And He is the head of the body, the Church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things He might have the preeminence. 19 For it pleased the Father that in Him should all fulness dwell;

Hebrews 1:1-10 "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,² Has in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, by whom also He made the worlds;

³ Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high: ⁴ Being made so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

⁵ For to which of the angels said He at any time, You are My Son, this day have I begotten you? And again, I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son? And again, when He brings in the first begotten into the world, He says, And let all the angels of God worship Him.

⁷ And of the angels He says, Who makes His angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire ⁸ But to the Son He says, Your throne, O God, is forever and ever: a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom. ⁹ You have loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness above your fellows. ¹⁰ And, You, Lord, in the beginning has laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of Your hands:

Hebrews 12:22–23 "But ye are come unto Mt. Sion, and to the City of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, To the general Assembly and Church of the firstborn, which are written in Heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect"

Revelation 1:4-6 ⁴ John to the 7 churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from Him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the 7 Spirits which are before His throne; And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

What First born - Prototokos - means

The description "first-born of all creation" speaks of Christ's pre-existence. He is not a creature but Eternal Creator. God created the world through JESUS, HE redeemed the world through JESUS. JESUS is called the first-born, not the first-created. The word "first-born" (*prototokos*) signifies the highest in rank and priority. *Prototokos* points to Christ's sovereignty over creation. After resurrecting JESUS from the dead, God gave Him authority over the Earth. JESUS created the world, saved the world, forever rules the world.

Psalm 22 – A Messianic Prophecy

David vividly describes the crucifixion, hundreds of years before it was known as a capital punishment. Jesus is prophesying when He cries out this on the cross.... This a real time description of His Crucifixion The Jews should have recognized the 1st verse of this Psalm and been drawn to its words.

- ¹My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Matthew 27:46, Mark 15:34 Why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring?
- ²O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hear not; and in the night season and am not silent.
- ³ But thou art holy, O thou that inhabit the praises of Israel.
- ⁴Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and You did deliver them.
- ⁵ They cried unto You, and were delivered: they trusted in You, and were not confounded.
- ⁶ But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people. Isaiah 53:3 "Tola refers to a scarlet worm" When it is time to give birth, this crimson fastens to a tree, deposits eggs then dies staining both tree and young worms with its red blood Just what Christ does at crucifixion
- ⁷ All they that see Me laugh Me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying, Matthew 27:9; Mark 15:29; Luke 23:35
- ⁸ He trusted the Lord that He would deliver him: let Him deliver Him, seeing He delighted in Him. Matthew 27:43
- ⁹ But You are He that took me out of the womb: You did make me hope when I was upon my mother's breasts.
- $^{\rm 10}\,\rm I$ was cast upon You from the womb: You are My God from My mother's belly.
- ¹¹ Be not far from Me; for trouble is near; for there is none to help.
- ¹² Many bulls have compassed Me: strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round. Deut 32:14; Psalm 68:30; Ezek 30:18; Amos 4:1
- ¹³ They gaped upon Me with their mouths, as a ravening and a roaring lion.
- ¹⁴ I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint: John 23:16 My heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of My bowels.
- ¹⁵ My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and My tongue cleaves to My jaws; and You have brought Me into the dust of death. John 19:28

- ¹⁶ For dogs have compassed Me: the assembly of the wicked have enclosed Me: they pierced My hands and My feet. Matt 27:35; Mark 15:24; Luke 23:33; John 19:24, 27; John 20:25
- ¹⁷ I may tell all My bones: they look and stare upon Me. Luke 23:27,35
- ¹⁸ They part My garments among them and cast lots upon My vesture. Luke 23:34; John 19:23-24
- ¹⁹ But be not You far from Me, O Lord: O My strength, haste to help Me. Psalm10:1
- ²⁰ Deliver My soul from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog.
- ²¹ Save Me from the lion's mouth: for You hast heard Me from the horns of the unicorns. Acts 4:27
- ²² I will declare Your name unto My brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise You.
- ²³You that fear the Lord, praise Him; all you the seed of Jacob, glorify Him; and fear Him, all you the seed of Israel.
- ²⁴ For He has not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; Hebrews 5:7 neither has He hid his face from Him; but when He cried unto Him, He heard.
- ²⁵ My praise shall be of You in the great congregation: I will pay My vows before them that fear him.
- ²⁶ The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the Lord that seek Him: your heart shall live forever.
- ²⁷ All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before You.
- ²⁸ For the Kingdom is the Lord's: and He is the governor among the nations. Matthew 6:13
- ²⁹ All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: Phil 2:10 all they that go down to the dust shall bow before Him: and none can keep alive his own soul.
- $^{\rm 30}\,\mathrm{A}$ seed shall serve Him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.
- ³¹ They shall come, and shall declare His righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that He has done this. Isaiah 60:3; Psalm 76:6

In these 2 critical prophecies Isaiah wrote around 750 years before they happened, there are 2 untranslated Jewish letters found together, In the alef and the tav. The alef the 1st letter of the Hebrew alphabet and tav In is the last. In Greek these are translated as the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. This is astounding to find God wrote an encrypted message to all who would discover it. Jesus is the beginning and the end: He is the first and the last. He is the author and the finisher of our faith. He is the suffering servant and the Coming King. Jesus is clearly identified as Israel's Messiah who would be rejected and crucified for our sins.

וsaíah 52:10 God has made bare His holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the תא salvation (Yeshua) of our God. דרוע קדשו לעיני כל הגוים וראו כל אפסי ארץ את ישועתאלהינו

Isaíah 53:6 "But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed. ⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and God has laid on Him KD the iniquity of us all.

Zecharíah 12:10 "I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon Me XII whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for Him, as one mourns for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for Him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn."

Revelation 1:7 "Behold, He comes with clouds; and every eye shall see Him, and they also which pierced Him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him. Even so, Amen., says the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."

Isaíah 5:24 "Therefore as the fire devours the stubble, and the flame consumes the chaff, so their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have cast away the Law $\aleph\Pi$ of the LORD of hosts, and despised the Word $\aleph\Pi$ of the Holy One of Israel"