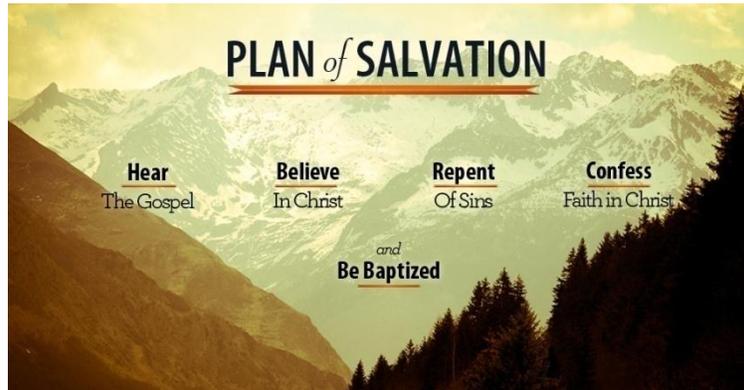


NEW CHRISTIANS BASICS – Part One: SALVATION



SALVATION

Why do we need to be saved?

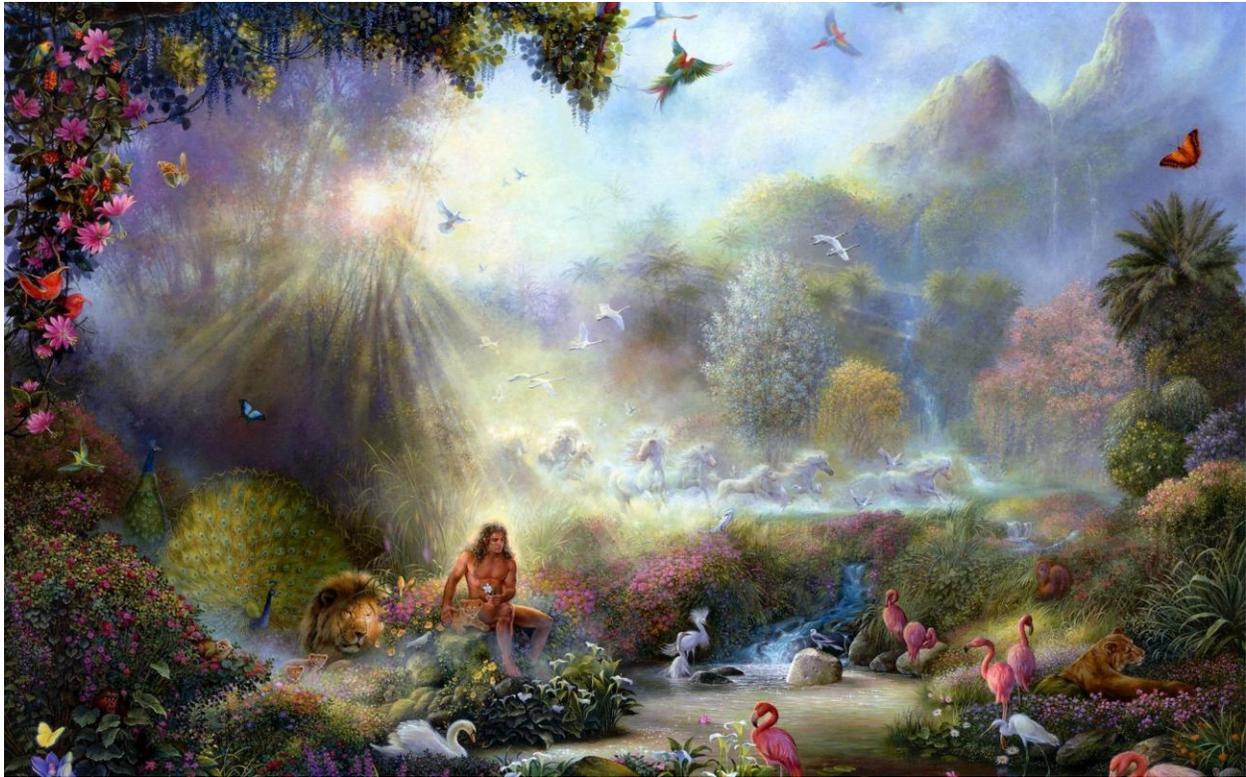
Gen. 1:1 – In the beginning God created the heaven (*heavens) and the earth.

That is a Mandela Effect on our Bibles

Col. 1:16 – For by Him (Jesus Christ) 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. And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist. 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 preeminence.

HE IS FIRST.

We have a Creator and He is the One Who we were created for. He is holy.



When He created Adam, God told him not to eat of the tree of knowledge.

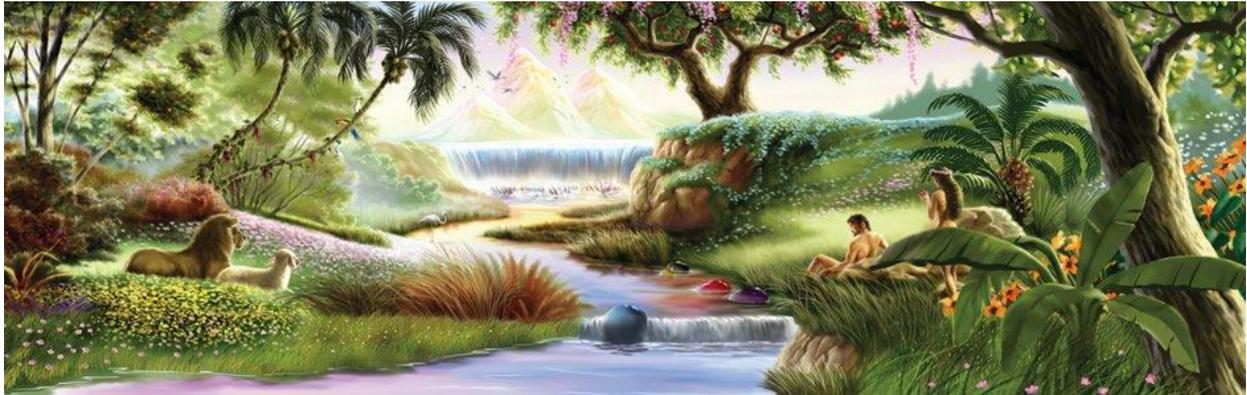
Genesis 2:16-17 – And the LORD God commanded the man, saying of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

The husband is the head of the household, he is the spiritual leader of the home. We don't see that a lot today, but that is how God intended it to be.

By the time we get to the scripture where Eve is talking with the serpent, we can see that Adam did tell her what God had forbid them to do.

Genesis 3:1-6 – Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye

shall not surely die; For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.



Notice that Adam was not away somewhere else in the garden not knowing what was being said to Eve, but he was right beside her. He was with her and remained silent.

Many say no way is this world fallen because of eating a piece of fruit, it has to be more than that. So they have created this story of Eve sleeping with the serpent and having “serpent seed” and apparently with that logic Adam slept with the serpent too because it says then he ate of the fruit. That is a lie according to the scriptures and I did a teaching on that already. God said no and they disobeyed. That is sin. Sin is all the bad things we do. It is the things that hurt and displease God. He is holy and we are not and God will not tolerate sin. There is no sin in heaven, that is why satan was kicked out. He began to be prideful and greedy and so God had him kicked out of heaven. Notice that angels have free will also, they can live holy or they can sin. They are not forced to obey God either.

Because of Adam and Eve’s disobedience every person from that time on has been born into sin.

Psalms 51:5 - Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

Even as a baby we come into the world as a sinner. We need a Savior. If a baby dies before he has a chance to hear and understand God's plan for salvation, the baby will go to heaven. But once a child understands the consequences of accepting Jesus Christ or denying Him, then they are accountable and will go to the eternity that they chose.

Romans 3:23 - For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;



Moth eaten clothes, things rust, mold grows



Trees die – everything in this world including us is in a state of dying/decay.

This world is in a sinful state, a fallen state because of what Adam and Eve did in the garden by disobeying God. Not only people, but the world itself, creation is in a fallen state waiting for redemption.

Romans 8:19-23 – For the earnest expectation of the creature (should say creation) waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature (creation) was made subject to vanity (uselessness, lasting only a short time, not permanent, depravity-wickedness), not willingly, but by reason of Him who hath

subjected the same in hope, because the creature (creation) itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption (decay in death) into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

God gave His ten commandments and ordinances to the Jews so that they would live holy unto Him and be separate from the heathen nations. No one could keep the ten commandments.

Acts 15:10 – (Peter talking) Now therefore why tempt (test) ye God, to put a yoke (burden) upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear? 11. But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

Before Jesus gave His life for us, God put a sacrificial system in place so that if the Jews would do their best to follow His laws and offer their sacrifices in obedience to Him, He would cover their sin and they would continue to be His people.

Gal. 3:24 - Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster *to bring us* unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

The ten commandments taught us what sin is. God gave us a better covenant through Jesus Christ. Instead of just having our sin covered like they did in the old testament (old will), He sent Jesus so that we could be forgiven and have our sins washed away.

John 6:38 – For I came down from heaven, not to do Mine own will, but the will of Him that sent Me.

John 17:5 – And now, O Father, glorify Thou Me with Thine own self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was.

Jesus was born of a virgin.

Matt.1:18 – Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as His mother Mary was espoused (engaged) to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

No God did not have sex with Mary. This was a supernatural conception. The world wants you to believe God had sex with Mary because then it would be the same thing that happened in Gen. 6:4 with the fallen angels and women.

Jesus left heaven and came here in the flesh to live a sinless life and fulfill the law of God so that we could be forgiven of our sin by believing in Him. He sacrificed Himself and took the punishment for our sins on Himself.

Many believe God instituted blood sacrifices of animals because when Adam and Eve sinned they became aware of their nakedness and so God covered them.



Genesis 3:21 – Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

In covering their sin, God took the life of an animal and many theologians believe it must have been a lamb or sheep because of what Christ would do for us in the future. He is the Lamb of God who takes the sins of the world away. (John 1:29)

Heb. 9:22 - And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

We still offer a sacrifice of blood up to God to have our sins forgiven. Jesus shed His blood and died for each and every one of us. He is the only way into heaven.

Eph. 1:7 - In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace;

1 Cor.15:3-6 – For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the scriptures; And that He was seen of Cephas (Peter), then of the twelve: After that, He was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep (have died).

Heb. 1:3 – Who (Jesus) being the brightness of His (God’s) 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.

CLOSING

John 19:1-6 – Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged Him. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on His head, and they put on Him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews! And they smote (struck) Him with their hands. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring Him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault (crime) in Him. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man! When the chief priests therefore and officers

saw Him, they cried out, saying, Crucify Him, crucify Him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye Him, and crucify Him: for I find no fault in Him.

You really don't get a true picture of how horrible this truly was. What Jesus did is not clearly shown in the movies and art work that we see. Passion of the Christ by Mel Gibson comes the closest that I have seen.

Isaiah 52:14 – As many were astonished (astonished) at Thee; His visage (face) was so marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men:

Isaiah 50:6 – (about Jesus) I gave My back to the smiters, and My cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not My face from shame and spitting.

Micah 5:1 – Now gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: he hath laid siege against us: they shall smite the Judge of Israel (Jesus) with a rod upon the cheek.



This is more realistic. He was barely recognizable as a man. (By Jack R. Johnson 1991)

PRAYER