First Salvation Offered

Ezekiel 28:12-18...14 Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth;...15 Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee. 16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. 17 Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness...

Isaiah 14:12-15> How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. 15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

2 Peter 2:4>For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

The Written Word

Christians accept the Bible as inspired by God and of divine authority. The Holy Bible is God's proclamation which defines God's purpose in creating man, man's fall from grace (Gen 1:1-3:7), and the restoration of

man to God, the Gospel (good news) of Jesus Christ (Gen 3:8-end of Holy Bible). The Holy Bible is God's (specifically The Holy Spirit) narrative and testimony of Jesus Christ. (1 John 5:11-13, 1 Thes 2:13, John 5:39, 45-47, 2 Peter 1:19-21, Deut 29:29, 2 Tim 3:16, Luke 24:27, 44-47).

Isa. 28:10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:

Hos. 12:10 I have also spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied visions, and used similitudes, by the ministry of the prophets.

The Bible is an unrolling of an historical account. For example, the first description of Lucifer's rebellion does not appear until the 14th chapter of Isaiah. Genesis Chapter one first references that God created man, however the details of God creating man are found in chapter 2. Many times similitudes and symbols are used to represent a person, place or thing. For example in Revelation 17:15, waters represent people. For further information on studying the Bible see William Miller's Rules of Interpretation.

Bible students know that sin began when Lucifer rebelled in heaven. We also know that Lucifer's final destiny is to be burned out of existence.

Gen. 3:14 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and

between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Rev. 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Matt. 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

The Purpose

We further know the account in Genesis Chapters 1-3, which describe the creation of the earth, man, man's fall from grace, and the curse pronounced upon the serpent (the devil) and plan of salvation offered to man. When one ponders these topics as he studies the Bible, one may make the following observation and inquiry

- When Lucifer sinned, did God offer him the same plan of Salvation which he offered to Adam? If so, where can is this fact found in the Bible? Without such a reference, would portray God as unjust, vengeful.
- The first account of any potential controversy is found in Genesis 1:28, where the word subdue is mentioned. The next reference is in Genesis Chpt 3, where the serpent is introduced. Is there an earlier, and more complete description of the Controversy? That may provide one with a clearer understanding of the Bible?

The answer to this question is yes. The purpose of the rest of this pamphlet is to

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suggest the answer may found in the first part of Genesis 1:1-10. The reader will be presented with certain presumptions, facts, and observations from which the reader may apply to his study of Genesis 1:1-10. Let's us begin.

God's Character

1 John 1:5-6> This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: Jesus is the light of the world.

Psalm 145:9 The LORD [is] good to all: and his tender mercies [are] over all his works...17 The LORD [is] righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works. Isaiah 27:4 states Fury [is] not in me: See Psalm 92:15, Deut. 32:1-4, Ezek. 18:32

Jesus is the Light

John 8:12> Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

John 1: 4-9> In him was life; and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. 6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe...9 That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

1 Tim 6:16> Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to

whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen. See also 2 Tim 1:10, 2 Cor 4:6, Isaiah 60:19-21

The Gospel

John 16:7-9> Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. 8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: 9 Of sin, because they believe not on me;

Acts 26:18> 18 To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

Other References

Revelation 17:15> And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues. (consider could be any created being, such as angles) see also Psalm 93

Job 38:7> When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

Now Study and See

Consider the following thoughts in light of the facts and observations stated:

- God does not know evil, He has witness it, but does not know it,
- There may be dual meaning in a scripture reference.

- What was the light in Genesis 1:2? This was not the sun, because it was created on the fourth day.
- Notice that nothing was actually created until the third day. Notice, when God said let there be light in Gen 1:3, that like the other days when God said this, the words God created are not found.
- There is no darkness with God. God in creation creates all God, further there are no empty spaces or darkness. Darkness is evil, Satan
- Notice that the waters in Gen 1:2 already existed, they were not created. What would be the purpose of God moving on the waters then say let there be light? This would imply that the Spirit moving upon the waters had some role in there being light. However, if the waters were beings (angels) that existed at the time, then we may reach a different conclusion. Lucifer said He was the light; set is throne above Jesus, Holy Spirit moving upon the waters (angels that sinned) giving conviction of sin. God showed that Jesus (let there be light) was the light (2 Cor 4:6). Repentance offered to Lucifer (Rev 13:8), He had a chance to repent
- Second day, Lucifer rejected (John 1:.5) salvation, did not repent. Sin can not dwell in presence of God. Waters divided, firmament, waters in the earth were evil angels rejecting salvation. Notice nothing good about that day.
- Third day, God set bounds of evils angels and the controversy between Satan and Jesus.

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