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The Pastors Message:

God Begat Us!

John 1:10 - 13 *"He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."*

God told us in John 3:16 *"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."* With everything that happened in the fall of Adam and Eve God elected to love a remnant of the world out of love, mercy, and grace, therefore He sent that only acceptable sacrifice (His Beloved Son) to this world as a sacrificial Lamb in the person of Jesus Christ. However, God said, *"He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not."* And today over 2000 years the people in this world still do not know Jesus Christ. The world will never know who Jesus Christ is because the world hates Jesus Christ, His Father, His people, His word, and His churches. Even as long as man lives on this earth the world will always hate and reject Jesus Christ, this hatred of Jesus is even extended His chosen Nation Israel. Jesus Christ came to this world to save sinners, all those saved sinners rejected Him until the power of God. Oh, how blessed we are to be called God's children. God went on to say, *"He came unto his own, and his own received him not."* His own would be the nation of Israel, Jesus Christ who was born in the likeness of sinful flesh, came in flesh, without sin, to His very own chosen Israel only to be rejected by them. The very Messiah they were waiting on, the very Saviour they were told was coming, came to only be rejected by the very people who should have recognized Him and accepted Him. So, what is this rejection? They called Him a Devil, they mocked and crucified Him for being God's Son, they rejected Him as the Messiah and the God sent redeemer God promised in Isaiah 53. Are the Gentiles any better, no they are not. People today reject Him as Saviour, reject Him as God's Son, they reject His abilities to save the sinner, just as they reject God's ability to save. People believe it is in this rejection that they believe God nor Jesus cannot save the sinner, and believe they can do it themselves, because they have a free will to do so. But do they, does the lost sinner have the

power and ability to repent and save themselves? If the lost sinner has the ability to do so, then why must God give us the power? *“But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God.”* To those who do believe it is by God’s power and not ours, remember we rejected Jesus Christ, we refused to accept Him as Saviour, God gave us the power and the faith to believe in Him as Saviour. God gave it because it was not within us. Now, God gives us the reasons the power came from Him. *“Which were born, not of blood”* Listen closely to the language in 1 John 5:1 *“Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.”* These two words are almost exactly the same in the Greek, so why did God use both words? Because they are a slight but important difference in them, *“begat”* means – those of us who are saved are *“born of God”* meaning God gave us the birthing or birth us just like our mother did. – The word *“begotten”* means the same thing but has an addition to it, Listen to Albert Barns as he defined it, *“The general idea is, that as all Christians are the children of the same Father; as they constitute one family; as they all bear the same image; as they share his favor alike; as they are under the same obligation of gratitude to him, and are bound to promote the same common cause, and are to dwell together in the same home forever, they should therefore love one another. As all the children in a family love their common father, so it should be in the great family of which God is the Head.”* When Jesus told Nicodemus in John 3 *“Except a man be born again”* Jesus was telling Nicodemus you must be born from above, by the power of God because no child of anything has been born of themselves. So just as your mother gave birth to you, God likewise caused you to be born again in the second birth from above. That is God *“begetting”* us by His power from above. God said, *“nor of the will of the flesh”* You were not born of God because you chose too, it was God’s gift to you not your gift to God. God also said, *“nor of the will of man”* I personally would like to see the worlds population saved, but I can not make that happen. We cannot cause people to be saved no matter what we do. Salvation is not in man’s hands, Isaac and Rebekah could not cause Esau to be saved no more than they could cause Jacob to be saved, just as we cannot cause our children to be saved. The reason for this salvation is not in our hands, *“Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.”* God saved us, begat us, delivered us, put it any way you want, but if God did not bring it about by His power through the Holy Spirit, it is a failure. These verses explain it all, *“Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.”* John 3:5 – 6

Unspeakably dreadful!

By Horatius Bonar

Sin is the abominable thing which I hate! **Sin** is an evil that I cannot bear. **Sin** cast the angels out of Heaven. **Sin** ruined the whole world in Adam's time. **Sin** brought the universal deluge in Noah's time. **Sin** drew down the fire and brimstone on Sodom. **Sin** will yet destroy this world with fire. **Sin** will kindle Hell! **Sin** slew My beloved Son!

Christ is the exemplar of our life.

By Charles Spurgeon

If we live in near fellowship with the Lord Jesus, then we shall grow like Him. We shall set Him before us as our Divine copy, and we shall seek to tread in His footsteps. "Whoever claims to live in Him, must walk as Jesus did." 1 John 2:6

Church News:

Our Bible Conference for 2020 is on September 18 & 19. The church will make the decision of August 02 if we are going to have it. We are at least for now planning on it, but the final decision will be made on August 02. There are several factors involved including food. We eat out for both meals and if we cannot congregate in the eating places then that will force us to cancel. I will work extremely hard after our final decision is made to let our speakers know. Please continue to pray for us on this matter. Thank you all.