

Have a Spiritual Feast on the Word of God



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Chapter 1

Have a spiritual feast on the word of God! Fill your soul up with spiritual nourishment. Eat all you can, when you can.

All too often we fill our body up with all the junk food we can eat, we also fill our minds with all the spiritual junk food there is around. I wish to share with you great spiritual food that you can digest as much of as you like and still wont feel overfilled. There is always room for more.

Romans-8-29- for **from the beginning God decided** that those who came to him should **become like his son**, and all along he knew who would come. And when we came, **he declared us not guilty of offending him, filled us with Christ's goodness, gave us right standing with himself, and promised us his glory.**

Starting with this rich assortment of spiritual food lets break the scripture down into smaller segments and see what exactly is God saying to us. I have used different colours to highlight the different segments I wish to present to you.

For from the beginning God decided. Who decided from the beginning?

Well we couldn't decide because we didn't exist. There was only one person who could decide to do something and that was God. And what exactly was it he decided? He had a plan he would create mankind and would grant them the privilege of entering heaven to spend eternity with him. We of course had nothing to do with this as after all, this plan was conceived from the beginning from before we were even created. But God far seeing, decided that he would create mankind and give us a choice to either join with him in heaven or to reject him, he gave us free will. God of course could have made man do as he wanted but that would make mankind robots with no free will. After all you cant make someone love you can you?

God wanted to be loved for himself and nothing else, in the same way we want to be loved..

So he decided on this elaborate plan that would take in all possible scenarios, and he could have talked it over with Lucifer his top angel at the time. That he would make man in his own image {a spiritual being} and he would give him a soul {a mind} and then a body {like Jesus}. And of course we all know Lucifer rebelled against God and wanted to destroy God's beautiful creation.

Instead of God letting Lucifer destroy his plan he used one of his possible scenarios as an alternative and allowed Lucifer to become a part of that plan.

He would use his son Jesus to help mankind receive eternal life and we all know of course that Jesus done that for us, or do we?

God decided in this plan from the beginning that those who would come to him **would become like his son Jesus**. They would have a body just like Jesus, and a spirit and a soul, then that body would die {like Jesus did} and a new body would be given at the last day a body that would last forever without sickness or pain or disease or sin. God also

decided that he would give us a new spirit when we made the decision to accept Jesus as lord of our lives, so the old spirit changed and became new it became the same spirit as Jesus. The only thing that remained the same was the soul {the mind} and God decided that the mind needed to be renewed by his word alone. Man him-self had to take an active part in this and this only. He would have to read God's word and either choose to believe or reject his word the choice would be each man or woman's alone. After all Jesus had to read the word of God and choose was this talking about him or not.

Lucifer, now with a name change, Satan {the devil} also tried to get Jesus to disbelieve God's word and tempted him, just like he tempts us, We became just like Jesus he was tempted and so are we. But that is not the only way we would become like Jesus. God said those of us who would come to him would become like his son. In every way!

What was Jesus like? Well let's see!

Was he unworthy? ----- Was he sinful? -Was he a failure? -----Was he no good?
-Was he useless? -----Was he mean? ---Was he a sinner? -----Was he unclean?
--Was he ugly? ---
Was he a waste of space? ----Was he of no worth? --- Was he lifeless?
Was he spiritual empty? -Was he unrighteous? ----- Was he of no value?
Was he without power? ---Was he not likeable? ----- Was he hateful?

No! Jesus was not like any of that and neither are you! You may have been brought up to believe that you're like that and people may have made you feel like that about yourself, but none of it is true. You, as you are now, as a born again child of God are beautiful.

No one has the right to make you feel anything but good about yourself. No one was given the right to make you feel unworthy, useless, ugly in the first place.

You may have believed that someone had the right to call you names because of your image of yourself or the image others portrayed to and onto you, but even that is past tense.

But now you have become a born again child of God you have been told by God himself that your beautiful, worthy useful. You are his very own child. You are now like his son Jesus!

That is what God decided from the beginning that he would make you like Jesus. {Like means = the same as}

The same as Jesus.

What was Jesus really like? Remember that as far as God is concerned that is how you are now today to him!

Was he worthy? -----yes
Was he sinful? --,•••••.no
Was he kind?.....yes
Was he Holy? -----•••••.yes-
Was he clean? -•••••.yes
Was he beautiful?.....yes
Was he successful? --•••••.yes
Was he wonderful? -----••...yes

Was he good?.....yes
 Was he perfect? -----• • • ..yes
 Was he loving? -• • • • • • • • .yes
 Was he merciful?.....yes
 Was he strong? • • • • • • • • .yes -
 Was he warm? -• • • • • • • • ...yes
 Was he tender?.....yes
 Was he compassionate? • • • • • ...yes
 Was he spirit filled? • • • • • .yes
 Was he faith filled?.....yes
 Was he likeable? • • • • • • • • ...yes
 Was he righteous? • • • • • • • • .yes
 Was he faultless?.....yes
 Was he of great value? • • • • • ..yes
 Was he spiritual? • • • • • • • • .yes
 Was he power filled?

Yes! He was and even more, and so are we in God's sight. He! God decided to make us like {the same as} Jesus in his sight from the very beginning and Satan wishes to prevent you and I from knowing and understanding this awesome spiritual truth and wants to prevent us from feeding on it. He would like to starve us from all spiritual knowledge because it will destroy his hold over us. He wants to keep us thinking we are unworthy or sinful because it prevents us from finding out our status in Christ Jesus. Our status is. We are like his son Jesus. Satan would have you believe that its wrong to think like this but it is not wrong! It is wrong to think you're unworthy or sinful. **Because God from the beginning** decided to make **you like Jesus** before you ever were born or could commit a sin.

Chapter 2

God knew you would sin with Satan's prompting, but you see in his scenario he knew he had an answer to that problem! Jesus! He would make you like Jesus anyway. And he decided from the beginning to do this.

The amazing thing about God's plan was that he would declare us not guilty of offending him. He would make a decision not to take offence at our sins that he would send Jesus to earth and suffer and die for them all. This plan was foolproof it would work because no matter what Satan done to try and destroy our relationship with God he would love us anyway and declare us not guilty.

Some of you who read this are feeling guilty over some sin or other that you committed at one time, probably feeling like you could never make up to God. Like you could never be good enough to approach God with confidence and God being God knew and understanding you decided that he would do something about that. He would make you like Jesus anyway. Made like Jesus anyway! Was Jesus guilty? No! Are you guilty? No! Just like Jesus. Amazing this plan of God's isn't it? No matter what Satan would do he would still loose out because of God's mercy and love. But, you may be saying, God couldn't love me or see me like this. Sorry my friend but he does and he decided from the

beginning that this is what he would do. He being God, decided that you would stand before him and that he would declare you not guilty. It was his plan from the beginning. Satan can stand screaming at God, this person is guilty sure he committed this sin or that sin he is guilty I tempted him or her and they gave in and committed this sin. God would simply say! Not guilty! Next case! And dismiss Satan.

It is so hard for us to understand pure love; because human love is fragile and judgemental God's love is not. There are no conditions to God's love no strings attached and that is how God can say! `Not guilty' as far as I am concerned, because they are like Jesus.

It is so hard to get our heads around this simple truth because of our lack of knowledge of the love of God. That God sees us as holy, sinless, forever perfect in his sight is so awesome we cannot understand this simple truth but God just wants us to believe it anyway, to believe his word, to believe that this was his plan from the beginning and no one was going to destroy God's plan, not even Satan.

All those wonderful things that Jesus was and is, you are! You're the same since you came to God like his son Jesus. Like = {same as}.

Chapter 3

He decided from the beginning that he would **fill you with Christ's goodness.** All those wonderful characters of Jesus have been poured into you. From the beginning God decided to fill you with the disposition of Jesus and he done so whether you believe it or not. This is the way you are whether you believe what God says or whether you believe Satan's lies. This is a plain undisputed fact as far as God is concerned; he put it into his word and sealed it in the blood of Jesus. This friend is love in action, deciding to overlook your faults sins and weakness and considering you like Jesus. Only God could decide on a plan like this and bring it into completion.

`Filled with the goodness of Jesus' what an awesome present for God to give to us undeserving humans.

I bet you don't feel like your filled with the goodness of Jesus! I would bet that most who read this don't feel very holy or worthy or deserving of such a gift. But you `are' filled whether you know it or not and IM not talking about the physical dimension of you. I am talking about the spirit man or woman, the part that God filled with Jesus goodness. Your spirit was filled with Jesus and that was God's plan from the beginning to fill you with Jesus own goodness and therefore when he looked at you he would see only Jesus goodness, not some sin or fault but only the pure spirit of his son Jesus filling you.

When something is filled is there room for anything else? No! Its full and there's no more room. So if you're filled with goodness then there is no room for rubbish, faults or failings sins or failures are there?

God said he was planning from the beginning to fill you with Christ's goodness and he done so when you accepted his plan for you of salvation. Most Christians think that to be saved is the end that is not true it is only the beginning of every good gift and power that god has in store for the born again child of his. Christian that I know believe that to be

saved is all we receive, IM saved and that's it! This is not true! Salvation is the beginning of all that God has to offer us.

1-Corinthians-1-4- I can never stop thanking God for all the **wonderful gifts** he has given you now that you are Christ's.

1 –Corinthians-1-7 –now you have **every grace and blessing**, every **spiritual gift and power** for doing his will.

Did you know that you have spiritual gifts and powers and blessings awaiting you? Every spiritual power and gift and blessing that Jesus had is yours. God poured into you Christ's own goodness. How will you know what gifts powers and blessings are yours unless you read God's word and feed on it for your self.

You are filled with everything God gave to his son Jesus, you can see in the above scriptures the words, "he has given" and " now you have" both words meaning something is already yours, You have wonderful gifts, you have every grace and blessing every spiritual gift and power, you have been filled with everything Jesus is. Had Jesus all of the above? Yes he sure did! You have been filled with Christ's goodness, and the goodness of Christ included supernatural power and gifts and graces and blessing from his heavenly father and these were all poured into you.

That goodness includes the very love of Jesus.

Romans –5-5- God has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

You see your heart is filled with love, divine love. You see that word `has' given us the Holy Spirit to fill our heart it tells you its already happened.

Chapter 4

Filled you with Christ's goodness and he gave you right standing with him.

Right standing is being able to come before God the father and stand boldly before him without fear of rejection or correction but being assured of a glad welcome. Knowing that father God is delighted to see you. You have been filled with the goodness of Jesus and when you approach the father he sees only the goodness of Jesus before him. He is not looking at the flesh person, scripture tells us that person died on the cross with Jesus, a hard thing for us to understand but we aren't meant to understand everything we are just to accept our standing in God.

Right standing gives you the legal right to come boldly before the father, to enter into his presence freely at anytime. He is so much in love with us he gave us that position and it's amazing to begin to understand that much love has been poured out on us. Truth is we

can't even begin to understand the awesome love that God has for us our human love is so restricting with conditions.

The thing is believe what God says not what you feel or understand.

But I need to understand! **No you don't!**

How could you begin to understand how the world was created, how the earth never moves out of its axis and how the planets and stars remain in their orbit? How your saved, what goes on in heaven, your not meant to understand these things, your just meant to believe what it is that God tells you about how much he loves you and of your standing in him because of Jesus.

Ephesians-2-10- for we are **his workmanship created in Christ Jesus.**

This scripture gives you an understanding how you are made acceptable to God and why you have great standing before your heavenly Father.

You are his workmanship he made you, no one else made you, God the father made you when he made Jesus. He carved you out of the same material he carved Jesus out of, the very same substance that Jesus was made of, was the very substance that you were created in.

`Created in Christ Jesus' Try and understand that you were created in Christ Jesus from the beginning before time began. God the father took some kind of supernatural heavenly substance and with it he made Jesus and you together with that very same substance. You were not made out of something different but of the same material that Jesus was made out of.

To give an example = if you had a lump of putty and rolled it into a ball mixing it well and truly through, then took a portion of that piece of putty and made it into a car then took another portion of the same putty and made into a little man. What would they both be made out of? Answer is `Putty,' the same lump of putty was used to make two different things.

God made you and I out of the same substance as Jesus.

If someone else didn't like what you had made out of putty, would it make any difference to you? As long as it was pleasing to you that's all that mattered. We are pleasing to God because he created us out of the same substance as Jesus. We are his creation and what he made is pleasing to him. It matters not to God if Satan doesn't like the person God made. It doesn't matter if the whole world didn't like the person he had made {and remember quite a lot of the world doesn't like Jesus.} What matters is that he liked what he had made he seen it as pleasing to him, and he is God.

Can you begin to see now why you can come boldly before the throne of God and be found pleasing and given right standing before the father? It is because Jesus and you are one and the same spiritually, **not in the flesh.** You have to go beyond the flesh part of yourself, the flesh wont live forever only the spirit will live eternally with the father in heaven. And the spiritual man has the right to stand boldly before the throne of God and be in right standing with him.

Right standing means everything is ok between you and someone, looked on a favourable, honourable, and worthy.

As usual I could go on and fill page after page with scripture that tells you more and more about your self in Jesus but you need to search for your self the truth, Because you may doubt what I have written but when you search the word of God for a particular theme you find relevant scriptures that encourage your belief.

Search the word and write down ever scripture that says, 'we are'- 'we have'- 'he has' – 'God decided' – 'God choose' – 'God done'

And have a feast on those scriptures, and you will be well nourished.

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